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Dr. Mary Hopewell has served in public schools as a middle school and high school teacher for 10 years and as a middle school and high school administrator for 14 years. As a teacher she opened a new middle school and as the Principal of Dublin High School she led her school to state honors.

Dr. Hopewell earned her Master's degree from St. Mary's College of California and her Doctorate degree from the University of La Verne. She has served as an Adjunct Professor at Concordia University, Irvine teaching leadership, organizational change, finance, human resources, and policy at the Master level. She has taught leadership and organizational change at the Doctoral level while serving as a doctoral chairperson and committee member and holds a national certification as a Leading Edge Professional Learning Leader.

Dr. Hopewell's expertise in developing leaders, applying interest based solutions with evaluation criteria to address system challenges, and utilizing facilitation skills, have lead to her being sought out by business professionals and organizations in both the public and private sector. She has also assisted educational constituents (teachers, support staff, site administrators, and superintendents) in order to assist their respective efforts in the change process and the development of principled leaders.

Dr. Hopewell provides coaching to, and delivers products for, individuals seeking career advancement. She facilitates conversations with CEOs, executive cabinet members, and site and district teams, resulting in custom designed frameworks that lead to implementation of organizational initiatives. She utilizes a variety of best practices drawing on the research from Covey, DuFour, Elmore, Fullan, Lencioni and Marzano, to name a few, to enhance leadership comportment and skills, increase student and adult learning, and construct products that address the needs of the individual and organization.

Dr. Hopewell's work as a senior research associate for WestEd, one of 10 federal research laboratories, resulted in her providing direct technical support on behalf of ADE, CDE, and NDE, as an educational reform leader. Her service included assisting Phoenix Union HSD and Yuma School District One in Arizona; Calexico, Napa Valley and San Francisco USDs in California; and Clark County School District in Nevada to name a few. She has also presented a variety of trainings, workshops and strategic planning development sessions for the Association for Dispute Resolution of Northern California and a variety of School Boards in CA, OR, and WA. She is a national certified trainer of trainers for NASSP Breaking Ranks.