

2008 Honoree - Stephanie Bulger



STEPHANIE R. BULGER, Ph.D.
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Wayne County Community College District

Two Year Institution Category

Dr. Stephanie R. Bulger is Vice Chancellor for Curriculum and Learning Technologies at Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD). Dr. Bulger holds a doctorate in Higher Education from the University of Michigan, where she received the 2000 Howard McClusky award. She has a master of arts in British & American Literature from the University of Utah, and a bachelor of arts in English from Brigham Young University.

Under her leadership, distance learning enrollment has grown more than 250% (currently exceeding 8000 enrollments) in a division which includes four online certificate programs, more than 300 students in Eritrea, the Virtual Middle College for high school students, as well as online continuing education for professionals.

She is a strong advocate for her profession and serves as Consultant-Evaluator and Distance Education Reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association. She sits on the Advisory Board for the National University Telecommunications Network (NUTN) and the Advisory Committee for the Michigan Community College Virtual Learning Collaborative.

Dr. Bulger has been at the forefront of leadership efforts nationally and at WCCCD. She has been a featured writer in the *Community College Journal*, a publication of the American Association of Community Colleges. She coordinates the District's annual Great Leadership Conference and is Editorial Director of the *Great Leadership Newsletter* that is circulated to 1100 plus community colleges throughout the US. Dr. Bulger mentors emerging leaders and believes strongly in helping the women with whom she interacts discover and hone their leadership skills.

In nominating Stephanie Bulger, Dr. Curtis Ivery, President of WCCCD says, "She is committed to reducing the digital divide for low-income mothers in Detroit... (*through distance learning*)...is an outstanding leader and role model who has brought great pride to us on the national and international levels."