



Denton Santarelli, Ed.D. Biographical Summary

Dr. Santarelli has served the Peoria Unified School District for 30 years as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, K-12 administrator, assistant superintendent, deputy superintendent and, most recently, superintendent. Dr. Santarelli earned his Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Nova Southeastern University, and Master of Arts and Bachelor of Arts degrees from Northern Arizona University.

During his 30 years with PUSD, Dr. Santarelli has been an advocate for students, promoting an environment conducive to the social, emotional, physical and academic growth of all students. He is well-known for his contributions to school improvement and his expertise extends beyond the Peoria Unified School District. He is recognized across Arizona for his leadership and mentorship.

Education

2000	Ed.D., Nova Southeastern University Educational Leaders Program
1984	Master of Arts Northern Arizona University
1980	Bachelor of Arts Northern Arizona University

Certifications

SUP	Superintendent
EPC	Principal (K-12)
SEC	Standard Secondary

Recognitions

Arizona School Administrators Distinguished Administrator Award
Northern Arizona University Distinguished Educator Award
Arizona School Administrator's Award of Merit
Who's Who in American Education
Arizona Business Journal's Top Ten Schools in the State of Arizona
Arizona School Board Association's Golden Bell Award
Advanced Achievement in Math and Science Award
Governor's Alliance Against Drugs
Meritorious Service Award, City of Glendale
Alliance for Arts Education 2010 Superintendent Award for Outstanding Support of the Arts
Bernard Stewart Distinguished Service Award
Superintendent's Award by the Arizona School Public Relations Association (ASPRA)

Civic and Community

St. Thomas Moore Church
United Way Regional Appropriations Committee
City of Glendale Library Commission
City of Glendale Parks and Recreation Commission
City of Glendale Gang Task Force
Arizona Business and Education Coalition (ABEC)
YMCA Executive Board