

Laraun J. Harrison, DM/IST

Professional Bio

Laraun Harrison has been teaching since 1991. She began teaching at 16 and her first class was a group of Special Education Adults. She has formally taught in both public and private schools and taught ages 18 months old to adult. Outside of education (if there is such a thing), Ms. Harrison has been a restaurant manager, maintenance engineer, and accountant. She received her Montessori Toddler Certificate in 1986, her B.S. in Secondary Teaching: Social Science, P.E. and Coaching in 1991 and completed her M.A. Ed in Administration and Supervision in 2001. She interned at St. Charles in Administration in 2001-02 and has been the Vice Principal since 2003. Ms. Harrison received her doctorate in Organizational Leadership and Information Systems Technology in July 2011.

Educational Philosophy

Education is a life-long process. Ms. Harrison's philosophy of education is two-fold. The first mirrors the proverb: Give a child a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a child how to fish and you feed him for a life time. As it is with education, it's not the information a child learns but how to learn it and use it on a daily basis. This leads to the second, teachers don't teach subjects, they teach *children* and as long as they remember that, a child will flourish in that teacher's classroom.

Dance - As though no one is watching you.
Love - As though you have never been hurt.
Sing - As though no one can hear you.
Live - As though heaven is on earth.
-Sqza

