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Richard Hillman

B.S. Natural Sciences: U. of Ark., Fayetteville, 1976.
M.S. Biology: Henderson State U., Arkadelphia, Ark., 1988
Post M.S. graduate work: UALR- Gifted & Talented Ark.Tech.U.- Environmental Science

Teaching Experience: (35 years)



Ouachita Technical College:	Environmental Science
U of AR at Little Rock:	Introduction to Biology 1400 & 1401 Ecology & Evolution
Henderson State U.:	Introduction to Biology 1013 & Biology Laboratory 1021
Benton High School:	Science Dep't Chair
	Advanced Placement Biology & Pre-AP Biology
Central Jr. High, NLR	Honors Life Science & Dep't Chair

Professional Accomplishments (abbreviated):

- Member State Biology Curriculum Development Committee 2002
- Consultant for College Board, SW Region; AP Biology & Vertical Teaming
- District Science Facilitator (Dawson COOP)
- Distinguished Teacher: White House Commission on Presidential Scholars 1997
- Presenter NABT Nat'l Conventions, Teaching Evolution.
- Faculty Consultant to Educational Testing Service; A.P. Biology Reader.
- Tandy Technology Scholars Award Winner 1996-1997.
- Member/Chair Selection Board for Arkansas School of Mathematics and Sciences., Central Region
- Director: Super Summer program "Future Scientists" (elementary) 1994-97.
- Selection Committee Member for Arkansas Governor's School (Natural Sciences)
- Nominated for Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching Science four times
- Director: AEGIS "Future Scientists" (middle school) 1991-93.
- Member: Project ADVICE [Alliance for Development of Vision & Initiative for Science Education in Ark.
- Consultant to El Dorado PSD on Science Fair Management
- Presenter: AGATE State Convention; G/T science Techniques in the Classroom.
- Director: AEGIS program "Ecology and Field Methods" (High School) 1986-90.
- Official Member: First Biology Education Delegation to the Peoples Republic of China, 1988.
- Selected as the NABT "Arkansas Biology Teacher of the Year": 1987.
- Recipient of an ALCOA Foundation grant for masters degree research (\$9,200.00).
- Introduced first Advanced Placement Biology Program at Benton High School 1985.

Professional Memberships:

- f National Association of Biology Teachers (NABT)
- f National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)
- f Arkansas Science Teachers Association (ASTA)
- f Beta Beta National Biological honor Society/ Kappa Rho chapter 1984

Selected Professional Accomplishments.

- 1. I have presented professional papers at state, regional and national conventions over the past decade on How to Teach Evolution, Incorporating Original Biological Literature into the Curriculum, the Biochemistry of Photosynthesis & Cellular Respiration and the Power of the Geological Time Scale as a Teaching Tool.
- 2. First teacher in Arkansas to author and direct an AEGIS program that took kids out of state; Ecology and Field Biology": a three week program for <u>high school</u> students at Henderson State U. (a week in the Ouachitas Mtns. studying terrestrial ecology, a week on the rivers and lakes of Arkansas studying freshwater ecology and a week at the Gulf Coast Research Lab in Ocean Springs MS studying Marine ecology).
- 3. First teacher to author and direct an AEGIS program for <u>middle school</u> students in science. The two week residential program at Henderson State U. was called "Future Scientists" and it introduced kids to the wonders of biology, chemistry, physics, astronomy and geology.
- 4. Developed and taught the Super Summer Program (through Dawson Coop) at Benton for _____ elementary kids called "Future Scientists" which lead them through a series of exploratory activities in various fields of science.
- 5. Advanced Placement Biology reader/endorsed consultant since 1995. Lead consultant in workshops throughout the College Board's southwest region
- 6. Member of Biology Curriculum Development Committee for Arkansas and other state committees whose goals were to design science curricula and write a guiding philosophy for state science teachers. I have served on the selection committees for Governor's School and been a member and chair of the selection committee (central AR region) for the AR Math and Science School in Hot Springs.
- 7. Sponsor of the Benton H.S. Backpacking and Environmental Education Club for twenty years. During this time I wrote a training manual and conducted classes in outdoor safety which permitted the club to travel throughout Arkansas and the United States to explore national park ecology and geology.
- 8. Developed first concurrent credit Science course at Benton H.S.