## Sally Black Welder

## **Achievements**

I worked with my husband, Terry, to begin and maintain the Kalispell Montessori School and Montessori education in general for the State of Montana. It has grown from one small classroom to its present size of 108 early childhood students and over 95 elementary students in the elementary Montessori school. In 2000 we bought the early childhood campus from the non-profit program. Our teacher education program is housed in our early childhood campus. In addition, we ran a satellite teacher education program in Boise, Idaho for many years. I was instrumental in forming the Montana Montessori Educators Organization and in 1993 I hosted an American Montessori Society (AMS) heads of school retreat. I was the secretary of the AMS Teacher Education Section from 2008-11. I am currently the secretary of the AMS Teacher Education Action Commission and a Montessori Accreditation Commission for Teacher Education (MACTE) evaluator and the Secretary of TEAC for AMS.

Professional	l
experience	

1973 - 1977 Flathead Montessori School

Kalispell, MT

Head Teacher

1977 - 1990 Kalispell Montessori School

Kalispell, MT

Head Teacher in Early Childhood Program and part-time Administrator

1990 - 2000

Kalispell Montessori School

Kalispell, MT

Administrator

2000 - present Woodland Montessori School

Kalispell, MT

Administrator and part-time Teacher

1995 - present

Montana Montessori Teacher Education Institute

Kalispell, MT

2001-2010 - satellite program in Boise, ID

Director

## Education

1967 - 1969 Gonzaga University

Spokane, WA

**Undergraduate Work** 

1969 - 1971 University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, MN

BS in Child Psychology

1971 - 1972 Twin C

Twin Cities Montessori Training Center

St. Paul, MN

Montessori Primary Certificate

1990 - 1997

Flathead Valley Community College

Kalispell, MT

Continued Studies in Economics and Computer Software classes

1974 - 1998

University of Montana

Missoula, MT

Continued Studies in Administration and Elementary Education