

Resume Synopsis

**James F. Rickley**

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**OBJECTIVE:**

District Administration

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Lander County School District**

**Battle Mountain, NV**

Assistant Superintendent

Testing Director, Assessment Director [Summative and Formative], Data Analyst, Facilitator of School and District Improvement Teams, Staff Trainer in Curriculum Integration, WebMaster, Director of Student Information System, Implemented Transition into PowerSchool Platform, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Negotiations Team, Evaluation Developer, Director of English as a Second Language Materials and Program, Incorporated Effective Schools and Professional Learning Communities Movements into Overall Program

Principal, Austin Schools

K-12 Program, Implemented Four Day School Week Model

**White Pine County School District**

**Ely, NV**

Principal, Lund Schools

K-12 Program, Executed Planning and Construction of New Facility [High Technology School, Student to Computer Ratio – 1 student:1.5 computers], Equity of Access Philosophy, Director of Career Pathways Program with K-12 Public Presentations of Portfolios

**Blue Ridge Area School District**

**New Milford, PA**

Principal, Blue Ridge Middle School

Grades 6-8 Facility with Integrated Teams and Curriculum

**Sayre Area School District**

**Sayre, PA**

Principal, Sayre Area Junior-Senior High School

Assistant Principal, Sayre Area Junior-Senior High School

Developed School within a School Model for Middle Level Students, School Board Committee on Policy Development

**Upper Moreland School District**

**Willow Grove, PA**

Teacher

Music, Fine Arts, Grades 3-12, Vocal Ensembles, Orchestra, Strings, Handbell Choir, Guitar, Musicals, Plays, Newspaper

**Pleasantville United Church of Christ**

**Chalfont, PA**

Director of Music and Fine Arts

Denominational Developer of Arts Curriculum, Director of Music, Organist

**Manhattan School of Music**

**New York, NY**

Dean of Students, Downeast Chamber Music Program, Castine, Maine

**Blue Mountain Area School District**

**Orwigsburg, PA**

Teacher

Music Director Grades 2-4 and 9-12, Vocal Ensembles, String Program

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## **EDUCATION:**

**University of Nevada, Reno**

**Reno, NV**

Doctoral Program, Educational Administration

**Temple University**

**Philadelphia, PA**

Doctoral Program, Educational Administration

**Temple University, Boyer College of Music**

Master of Music Education

Composition Studies with Vincent Persichetti, George Rochberg, Clifford Taylor, Barbara Kolb, Music Education Studies with Edward Gordon, Music Theater Studies with Art Frank

**University of Cincinnati, College-Conservatory of Music**

**Cincinnati, OH**

Bachelor of Science, Music Education

Conducting Studies with Elmer Thomas, Maurice Jones

Bachelor of Music, Composition

Composition Studies with T. Scott Huston, Jenő Takacs, Paul Polombo; Piano Studies with Jeanne Kirstien

**University of Cincinnati, College of Design, Architecture and Art**

Design Studies with John Peterson, Art History with Edward Heavenrich

**Neshaminy High School**

**Langhorne, PA**

Diploma

Student Service Award, National Humanities Program

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

Music Theory for the Blind and Visually Impaired, co-authored with Barbara Kolb for the Library of Congress, Washington, DC

To Come To A Place That Is Still [Orchestra], Journey Through [Orchestra], To Join In The Song [Clarinet Ensemble], Seesaw Music Publishers, NY; Also in Edwin A. Fleisher Collection of the Free Library of Philadelphia

## **ACTIVITIES;**

Licensed Trainer – Orff and Kodaly Educational Systems; About Learning: 4-MAT Instructional Model

Long Range Planning Emphasis – 20 Year Plan for Schuylkill County Council for the Arts, 5 Year Program Design for Arts Expansion and Integration Blue Mountain High School, Pennsylvania State Accreditation Committee, 5 Year 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology Design for Strategic Plan Sayre Area School District, 5 Year Design and Construction Program Lund Schools, InterMedia Committee Public Broadcasting Review Cincinnati Public Schools, Bradford County Development Planning Committee

Clinician – The Arts and Their Financial Asset to Local Business; Organization and Training of the Handbell Choir; Liturgical Dance; Contemporary Music and Notation; Pennsylvania Chapter V Curriculum Re-Structuring; Instructional Model; Educational Objectives and Their Construction; Technology in Education: The Frontier; Clinical Supervision Model of Instruction

Director – Schuylkill County Council for the Arts, Schuylkill County Community Chorus, New Jersey Opera, Various Stage Productions [Plays, Musicals, Operas, Operettas, Masques, Dance]

Conductor – Blue Mountain Choral Society, Schuylkill County Community Chorus, Southeast Pennsylvania Festival Chorus, Holiday Festival Messiah Sing-In, New Jersey Opera Society

Writer – New and Revised Dramatic Productions: JOB, LIAR!; DRACULA; ANYTHING GOES; LI'L ABNER