

Charles A. Ott, Ed.D.



Education

Indiana University of Pennsylvania Indiana, PA	School Psychology	Ed.D.	1993
Dissertation: Parent Involvement with School-Based Problem-Solving Teams			
University of Massachusetts-Boston Boston, MA	School Psychology	C.A.G.S	1983
University of New Hampshire Durham, NH	Early Childhood Education	M. Ed.	1971
Indiana University Bloomington, IN	Political Science	A.B.	1967

Certifications

- Superintendent (NH)
- Assistant Superintendent (NH)
- School Psychologist (NH and MA)
- Guidance Counselor (NH)

Professional Associations

American Association of School Administrators
NH School Administrators Association
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
NH Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
National Association of School Psychologists
NH Association of School Psychologists
Somersworth Rotary Club
Somersworld, Inc., President

Professional Experience

2000- 2005	Superintendent	SAU 56 (Somersworth and Rollinsford)	Somersworth and Rollinsford, NH
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1996-2000	Assistant Superintendent	Portsmouth School Department	Portsmouth, NH
1995-1996	District School Psychologist and Department Head for Guidance K-12	Portsmouth School Department	Portsmouth, NH
1985-1995	District School Psychologist	S.A.U. 56 Somersworth and Rollinsford	Somersworth and Rollinsford, NH
1983-1985	Associate School Psychologist/ School Counselor	Little Harbour School Portsmouth School Department	Portsmouth, NH
1977-1982	Guidance Counselor	Frank Jones School Portsmouth School Department	Portsmouth, NH
1970-1977	Teacher (grades 1 & 2)	Little Harbour School Portsmouth School Department	Portsmouth, NH
1969-1970	Director-Teacher	Merrimack Valley Day Care Center	Concord, NH
1967-1969	U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer	Levuma-Kandu Chiefdom	Sierra Leone West Africa

Conference Presentations

- 1990, April A collaborative approach to the assessment of the academic environment. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Association of School Psychologists, San Francisco, CA.
- 1991, March Family involvement on the Intervention Assistance Team: Practical and research issues. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Association of School Psychologists, Dallas, TX.
- 1992, March Prereferral intervention teams: Promising reform or procedural hurdle? Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Association of School Psychologists, Nashville, TN.

- 1993, May The school psychologist as barefoot doctor or the power of showing up in children's ecologies. Keynote address, Massachusetts Association of School Psychologists, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA.
- 1994, March Family involvement with school-based problem-solving teams. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Association of School Psychologists, Seattle, WA.
- 1994, March What do we do after we have unfrozen the refer-test-place system? Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the National Association of School Psychologists, Seattle, WA.
- 1992, Nov. Pursuing the shared responsibility initiative: Alternative delivery systems in school psychology. Conference workshop at Ninth Annual Northern New England School Psychology Conference, New England Center, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH.
- 1995, Feb. Intervention assistance teams. Presentation at the Winter Conference of the NH Association of School Psychologists, Concord, NH.
- 1995, March Statewide Task Force Simulation. Presentation at the Seventh Annual National Dropout Prevention Conference, Indianapolis, IN.
- 1998, Oct. Home-School Collaboration. The Second Annual Seacoast Parenting Conference, Dover, NH.
- 1999, Jan. League of Professional Schools Renewal Framework. With Dr. Lew Allen, Co-Director, League of Professional Schools. Portsmouth, NH.
- 2004, July Disciplinary Hearing Role Play. 11th Annual Education Law Conference. Portland, ME.
- 2004, Sep. Living with No Child Left Behind. Panel discussion, NHSAA. Concord, NH.
- 2004, Oct. No Child Left Behind: Beyond the Bumper Sticker. Keynote address. Communicating with the Public About NCLB. Joint NHEA, NHSAA, and NH DOE conference. Concord, NH
- 2005, March Deconstructing No Child Left Behind. Keynote address. Seacoast Staff Development Day. Durham, NH.
- 2005, May Truth in Advertising. Keynote address. Third Annual Teachers as Researchers Conference. Manchester, NH.
- 2005, May Towards a Unified System: One District's Story. Presentation to the Special Education Directors Academy. Concord, NH
- 2005, June Coercion and Public Policy. Distinguished Lecturer. Commissioner's Conference and NHSAA Annual Meeting. North Conway, NH.
- 2005, Oct. Exeter Cooperative School District Professional Development Day. Guest Speaker. Exeter, NH
- 2005, Nov. Best Practices Conference. Drop Out Prevention: A View from the Kitchen Table. Concord, NH

Publications

- 1990, March Ott, C.A. Collaborative consultation. Protocol, 9 (3), p.1,6. NHASP.

- 1991 Ott, C.A. & Dawson, M. Keeping students back: What are the facts? In Student grade retention: A resource manual for parents and educators (pp. 12-16). Washington, D.C: NASP.
- 1991 Ott, C.A. & Dawson, M. Keeping students back: What are the facts? PTA Today, 17, (1), pp. 16-17.
- 1990, Oct. Ott, C.A. Home-school problem-solving meetings. Communique, 20, (2), p. 9. NASP.
- 1992, Sept. Ott, C.A. Prereferral intervention teams: Promising reform or procedural hurdle? Protocol, 10 (1), pl 10-12. NHASP.
- 1993, Sept. Ott, C.A. Facilitating a study group. Communique, 22, (1), p. 22-23. NASP.
- 1993, Aug. Ott, C. A. Parent Involvement with School-Based Problem-Solving Teams. Doctoral dissertation. Indiana University of Pennsylvania.
- 1994, Dec. Ott, C.A. Parent involvement with school-based problem-solving teams: Extending collaboration beyond the school house walls. Protocol, 13 (2), p. 4-5, 8-9. NHASP.
- 1995, Dec. Ott, C.A. Intervention assistance teams: Building (and re-building) effective teams. Communique, 23 (5) p. 15. NASP.
- 1996, Aug. Ott, C.A. Teaching and learning teams: A top-down/bottom-up strategy for achieving high standards. Unpublished manuscript.
- 2004, July Ott, C.A. Building an authentic accountability plan for New Hampshire: An appeal to leadership. Unpublished manuscript.
Ezen, P.
Johnson, J.
LePage, K

Workshop Presentations

- 1990, Dec. Ecologically valid practices in school psychology. Presentation to the Hudson-Litchfield, NH School District.
- 1991, Feb. Can teamwork be mandated? Presentation to Raymond H.S. teachers and administrators, Raymond, NH.
- 1991, Oct. A systems approach to assessment and intervention. Workshop presented to NH Occupational Therapy Associations Annual Conference, Hanover, NH.
- 1992, March The Zen of team problem-solving. Workshop presented to the Purchase Line School District, Commodore, PA.
- 1992, Dec. The nine steps of effective collaborative problem-solving. Workshop presented to Epping Elementary School, Epping, NH.
- 1993, April Prereferral intervention teams in New Hampshire: Promising reform or procedural hurdle? Workshop sponsored by the NH Association of Special Education Administrators and the NH Federation of the Council for Exceptional Children, Nashua, NH.
- 1994, Sept.& April Building an effective Intervention Assistance Team. Workshop presented to Dondero School Staff, Portsmouth, NH.
- 1994, Nov. Building effective teams. Workshop presented to NH Principal's Association (Division 6), Dover, NH.

- 1994, Harassment: Policy and procedures. Workshop presented to Somersworth and
Nov. Rollinsford School District staff, Somersworth, NH.
- 2001 - NH Public Television. Appearances related to high school drop outs,
present accountability measures, the *Bridges to Success* initiative, the state assessment
program, and Governor Lynch's educational funding program.
- 2004, NH Public Radio. The Exchange with Laura Kanoy. No Child Left Behind.
Aug.
- 2004, NH Public Radio. The Exchange with Laura Kanoy. Tracking in Schools.
Dec.
- 2005, NH Public Television. Somersworth's drop out prevention initiative.
Sept

Other Professional Activity

- 1995 Governor Merrill's Drop-Out Prevention Task Force, Concord, NH.
- 1999 Mayor Sirrell's Youth Task Force ("Take Back Our Children"), Portsmouth,
NH.
- 1999 Director: Market Square Forum: A Conversation with Teens
- 2000 Strafford Learning Center Executive Board - Chair
- 2000 Youth Safe Haven Advisory Board
- 2000 Rollinsford Education Foundation Board Member
- 2001 Chairperson: Southeastern NH Superintendents and NHSAA Executive Board
- 2001 Chairperson: Somersworth Joint Building Committee Task Force
- 2001 Chairperson: Somersworth Emergency Drill Committee
- 2001 Patron: Somersworth Main Street Association
- 2001 Teachers As Scholars Advisory Board
- 2003 State Leader Forum: Education Commission to the States. NH Team.
- 2004 Advisory Committee for School Accountability and Improvement. NH
Department of Education.
- 2004 No Child Left Behind: Leadership Summit in St. Louis. NH Team.

Professional and Academic Honors

- 2005 *Superintendent of the Year* – NH Association of School Administrators
- 2005 *Paul Harris Fellow* – Rotary International
- 2003 *School Administrator* Profile for February, 2003 issue
- 2000 Educator of the Year Award – Greater Portsmouth Educational Partnership
Council
- 2000 Greater Portsmouth Educational Partnership Award – Exemplary Labor-
Management Relations
- 1991 Finalist: National School Psychologist of the Year, NASP, Dallas, TX.
- 1991 Award of Excellence, NHASP, Concord, NH.
- 1983 Academic Excellence Award in School Psychology, U. of Massachusetts-Boston
- 1989- Foundation for Seacoast Health Scholarship, Portsmouth, NH.
1991
- 1965- Phi Eta Sigma Scholastic Honorary
1967 Arthur E. Metz Scholar
Woodrow Wilson and Danforth Fellowship nominee

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN