



**Dr. Sarita Stevens** serves as Deputy Superintendent of the South Bend Community School Corporation. She is a proficient school administrator with over 25 years' experience. Her areas of K-12 education expertise include public relations, business/community partnership development, human resource management, curriculum and instruction, federal programs, budgeting and strategic planning.

Dr. Stevens obtained her Bachelor of Art from Iowa State University, a Master of Science in Education from Purdue

University and Ph.D from Indiana State University. She holds several educational licenses that include: Teaching, K-12 Building School Administration, Career and Technical Education Director and Superintendent.

Her career in education started in the Gary Community School Corporation. She went on to work for the Drexel Foundation where she successfully implemented school improvement plans resulting in the highest graduation rate in the city. Under her leadership, the school was awarded the prestigious Bronze Metal by U.S. News and World Reports for maintaining a 94% graduation and 85% college admission rate. Dr. Stevens joined Elkhart Community Schools in 2016 and is credited with improving the district's at-risk student programs that resulted in zero expulsions.

She and her late husband, Barry Stevens are proud parents of three children and two grandchildren.