

Marty Schafer, Ph.D.

Executive Coach & Consultant



SPEAKING TOPICS

Great Boards

- Board/Superintendent Role Clarity
- Shared Vision on Student Success
- Accountability & Evaluations
- Community Engagements

4 Disciplines of Execution for Schools

Leader in Me (LiM)

Speed of Trust

... And More!

CERTIFICATIONS

7 Habits of Highly Effective People®

4 Essential Roles of Leadership®

DEGREES

B.A. Urban Planning

Western Washington University

M.A. Ministry and Leadership Studies

Golden Gate Seminary

Ph.D. Ministry and Leadership Studies

Golden Gate Seminary

MISSION & CONVICTION

Personal Mission

"Building a culture of student success."

Personal Conviction

"The future of public education largely depends on School Board and District Leadership."

Dr. James "Marty" Schafer builds leadership capacity and teams at the School Board, Superintendent, and district level, addressing the need to develop collaborative problem solvers amidst the ongoing landscape of financial uncertainties, a global pandemic, difficult social and political environments, and the cultural shift in education.

Dr. Schafer's key focus is on both organic and systemic leadership development. He builds on a background of educational experiences, non-profit organizations, management, military/government relationships, and consulting. Having served on the school board for 18 years, he led as board president for the seven in which the district was named Washington State's School Board of the Year for large school boards and a Board of Distinction for six years. Marty continues developing leadership in his community and building partnerships for his diverse urban school district and community.

Marty has worked with state Superintendent and Board Associations from California to New York. He has been a conference speaker at both educational and multicultural events and led leadership and community conferences for schools in the Philippines, with Indigenous groups in Alaska, and at various venues across the United States. Dr. Schafer is also on the founding team of Everyday Mentoring, B3 Foundation, and CELT -Community Engagement Leadership Team (all nonprofit agencies committed to investing in a culture of leadership for schools and communities).

Marty is a lifelong supporter of public education through developing people, teams, curriculum, and structures that increase the effectiveness of leadership – "Connectedness Equates to Effectiveness." He is married to a high school/consulting teacher and has three amazing daughters (all of whom work in education).