



2018 Candidate for the Office of Leadership Council Member-at-Large

Cherie Welch

Physical Education Specialist
Rochester, MI

Cherie is an elementary physical education specialist employed by the Rochester Community School district in Rochester, Michigan. She is currently in her 25th year of teaching at the public school level. In addition she has taught health and physical education abroad. Cherie has a passion for coaching track and field and serviced in this role for 10 years. Her academic honors include B.S. in Health Education and M.A. in Physical Education Pedagogy from Western Michigan University. Cherie has been an active member of SHAPE America since 1998 and local SHAPE Michigan since 1989. Cherie delivered numerous presentations at the state and local levels. Published articles appeared in the SHAPE Michigan journal. Professional service activities included: SHAPE Michigan Past President and served on the Jump Rope for Heart committee. At the District level, she served as the State of Michigan Representative. Cherie also participated in the Physical Education Summit (Michigan). The purpose of the Summit was to establish common practical student assessments. Cherie received several awards and honors including: SHAPE Michigan Elementary Teacher of the Year (2013) and inducted into the Western Michigan Alumni Honor Academy (2015).

Vision Statement for SHAPE America Midwest District

My vision is for all children to be physically literate so they can lead a healthy and physically active life. I would like to promote and advance professional practices in physical education using technology to reach a broader group of diverse professionals in the field of physical education. The goal is to strengthen social networks within the physical education community that enhance programs, products and services. This aligns with SHAPE America's vision and its mission to advance professional practice and promote research related to health and physical education, physical activity, dance and sport.