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Erin Hodges graduated from Arkansas State University at Jonesboro in 2003 with a Bachelor of Science in Education in Mid-Level Education and in 2007 with a Master of Science in Education in Educational Leadership. As a teacher in the Arkansas State University Teacher Education Program, she was voted Student of the Year by the education professors. Hodges was very active in the International Reading Association and served as president of Kappa Delta Pi, an international education honor society.

Hodges began her teaching career at Trumann High School, serving as the seventh grade English teacher and junior high cheerleading coach. After teaching three years at Trumann, she took a job at Douglas MacArthur Junior High in the Jonesboro School District, where she teaches seventh grade English and Pre-AP® English. Hodges also serves as the seventh grade chair, Literacy Department chair, member of the leadership team, member of the district Literacy Review Committee, ACSIP chair, previous cheerleading sponsor, and previous Out of the Dark advisor.

Hodges is a 2013 Milken Educator.

She is recognized for her growth in test scores, leadership abilities, and implementation of varied learning strategies (including project based learning). Hodges was one of the first teachers to receive a mobile classroom lab. Her junior high students sit at round tables to encourage and enhance their learning process. She was one of the initiators for a school-wide intervention plan that was implemented across the curriculum.

Hodges won the Rocking Apple Award, a local radio station award voted on by her students. She also was named Teacher of the Year for Douglas MacArthur Junior High.

“Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has learned in school.” – Albert Einstein

“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.” – Ben Franklin

These two quotes stand behind Hodges’ educational philosophy. Her advice to all new teachers is to, “Never quit learning how to be a better teacher.”

Hodges is available to speak, conduct workshops, and/or serve on committees around the following topics:

- Secondary classroom management/ procedures
- Classroom interventions
- Grade level PLC
- Formative assessments
- Common Core