

# CHRIS GRANGER, Ed. D.

**BIOGRAPHY:** I am a public-school leader molding and shaping lives to further the growth, progress, and educational attainment and development of our students of today.

Originally from the San Antonio Texas region, I started down this journey back in 2000 as a professional educator and assistant athletic trainer, and within three years, I was selected to be part of a diverse, competitive pool of educators and inducted in the 2004 class of "Who's Who Among Teachers."

By 2014, I earned my doctorate in educational administration and became principal at Vernon High School that same year.

With the success in turning around the academic achievement of that campus I was fortunate to be given opportunities as a principal, then a central office administrator.

These experiences led me to be blessed with the opportunity to work at Blaine School District in 2019 as their Superintendent with an enrollment of 2100 and 400 individuals on staff.

In my time as Superintendent I have led the district in expanding student and staff access to reliable, educationally focused technology in my first semester on the job. That paid immediate dividends as no one knew we would enter a pandemic a few short months later. In that time I was able to lead the district through a global pandemic prioritizing our return of students to in person learning. I have a leadership that has an enthusiasm for positive student outcomes influenced by a passion for working together with others as I learned the value of teamwork in my vast experiences in successful athletic and academic institutions through collaboration with stakeholder groups to build trust and spread the influence across the district and community.

*Currently, Dr. Granger is Superintendent of the Blaine School District. He is married to his lovely wife, Tai, and together they have four children ages 21, 20, 16 and 13.*

## PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Increased accountability for student outcomes
- Policy updates that align with state law and local needs
- Increased academic and career and technical education options for students
- Increased Special Education Inclusion Rate
- Expanded Educational options for students (Online Learning Post Pandemic)
- Developed a School Board Handbook and Onboarding process for new members
- Improved district facilities to meet the academic and extracurricular interests of students
- Lead a solutions based approach to addressing staff health and wellness

## EDUCATION

**Lamar University**  
Doctorate in Education  
Admin. (2014)

**Lamar University**  
Masters' in Education  
Admin.  
(2012)

**University of Texas-  
Austin**  
Bachelors of Science  
(2000)



## CERTIFICATIONS

- Superintendent
- Principal K-12
- Secondary Biology,  
Health, Sports  
Medicine
- Technology (*Google  
Certified*)

## SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL WORK HISTORY

Blaine SD (Washington)	Superintendent	2019- Present
Bisbee USD (Arizona)	Director of Instruction (Asst. Supt)	2017 - 2019
Sanger ISD	High School Principal	2016 - 2017
Vernon ISD	High School Principal	2015 - 2016
Venus ISD	Assistant High School Principal	2012 - 2015
Ft. Worth ISD	Admin Intern / Head Athletic Trainer	2011 - 2011
Northside ISD	Principal Intern/Head Athletic Trainer	2010 - 2011
Judson ISD	Teacher/Head Athletic Trainer	2005 - 2010
Judson ISD	Teacher/Assistant Athletic Trainer	2001 - 2005

**Superintendent,**  
Blaine School District (Washington)

**2019-Present**

- Developed district leadership by restructuring central administration and mentoring of school leadership
- Deployed classroom and educational technology for students and staff
- Implemented a district-wide safety plan
- Advocate for public education and partnerships at the city, county, state, and federal levels
- Support student outcomes and academic focus
- Increased graduation rate with principal partnership
- Increased Career and Technical Education and dual credit offerings
- Increased mental health support for students
- Increased participation time of special education students in the general education setting to over 80%
- Built relationships with staff, students, families and community members with a goal to increase understanding and respond to local needs
- Increased communication through listening, responsiveness, and accessibility
- Hosted a monthly community Q&A – “Supper with the Superintendent”
- Created a community equity focus group
- Created student, staff and community Superintendent Advisory Committees
- Implemented a solutions-based approach to addressing staff health and wellness
- Capital project oversight for Blaine High School Grandstands and Athletic Complex
- Overseeing property acquisition for a new school
- Leadership for Bond and Levy Elections, including Facility Task Force, Communications, and Public Disclosure Compliance
- Successful passage of a Capital Levy – November 2019, February 2024 to support learning projects not supported by state basic education funding
- Model of fiscally responsible leadership with conservative spending focusing on greatest impact to students, and long range vision for fiscal decision-making
- Carried out budget reductions, by aligning programs to enrollment, and ensuring adjustments were adequately planned and carried out
- Developed a School Board Handbook and Operating Procedures
- Selected to “Who’s Who Among America’s School Leaders”

**Director of Instruction (Assistant Superintendent),**  
Bisbee Unified School District (Arizona)

**2017 – 2019**

- Manage and direct the following:
  - Director of Curriculum and Instruction and School Improvement
  - Director of Special Education/504, English Language Learners, Career and Technical Education
  - AVID District Director, Implemented District Wide
  - Teacher Recruitment, Training and Professional Development
  - Federal Grants
- Increased the number of special education student receiving inclusion services
- Two campuses achieved nomination for Capturing Kids Hearts National Showcase Schools
- Awarded and approved for an Arizona Online Instruction Program
- Selected to the board of Premier Alliances (Company that advocates for individuals with special needs)

#### **LIST OF PRESENTATIONS**

- Granger, C. (2023, December) Presenter, “Staff Health and Wellness”, WERA Conference
- Granger, C. (2023, April) Presenter, “Principal Leadership”, National Superintendent Conference
- Granger, C. (2022, June) Presenter, “Green & Growing”, AWSP Summer Conference
- Granger, C (2016, Oct) Presenter, “Using Data to Drive Instruction,” AIE Conference
- Granger, C (2016, June) Presenter at State wide TEKS resource conference