

**Jamie L. Lenzo**

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## **Professional Summary**

Dynamic, equity-driven education leader with over 20 years of experience in special education, curriculum development, and stakeholder engagement. Proven expertise in instructional leadership, compliance oversight, strategic planning, and cross-sector collaboration. Adept at managing grants, building inclusive school cultures, and driving systemic change to support student achievement across K–12 and higher education environments.

## **Education**

**Doctor of Education**, Educational Leadership and Management (In Progress)  
Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

**Master of Education**, Curriculum and Instruction, Special Education (2013)  
Ashland University, Ashland, OH

**Bachelor of Arts**, Criminal Justice (Minor: Athletic Coaching) (1999)  
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

## **Licensure & Certifications**

- Ohio Principal License (Valid through 06/30/2028)
- Ohio Professional Educator License, Integrated Social Studies 7–12 (Valid through 06/30/2026)
- Trauma-Responsive Educational Practices (TREP), University of Chicago
- Restorative Practices, International Institute for Restorative Practices (IIRP)
- EL Education Partnership | UDL Best Practices | Ohio Threat Assessment Training

## **Leadership & Administrative Experience**

### **Education Program Manager**

The Ohio State University, Department of Health and Rehabilitation Services, LIFT Lab | July 2024 – Present

- Lead design, implementation, and evaluation of immersive learning programs for diverse learners.

- Manage curriculum and program alignment with funding mechanisms (grants, contracts, philanthropy).
- Coordinate interdisciplinary teams across health, community, and education sectors.
- Develop stakeholder engagement strategies to support health system transformation initiatives.

### **Director of Special Education**

The Graham Family of Schools, Columbus, OH | July 2014 – June 2023

- Supervised 42+ K–12 staff, including therapists, intervention specialists, and aides across three districts.
- Designed and executed professional development for 200+ educators, increasing inclusive practices and IEP fidelity.
- Led district-wide implementation of executive functioning strategies and compliant service delivery.
- Developed assessment and data systems aligned with Ohio State Standards.

### **Dean of Students**

The Graham School, Columbus, OH | August 2011 – July 2014

- Oversaw academic and behavioral interventions, increasing student engagement and outcomes.
- Coordinated all standardized testing, including accommodations for special populations.
- Conducted OTES-based evaluations and embedded coaching cycles.

### **Teaching Experience**

#### **Social Studies Educator & Experiential Advisor**

The Graham School, Columbus, OH | August 2009 – August 2011

- Delivered culturally responsive instruction tailored to diverse learning profiles.
- Designed IEP-aligned lesson plans and implemented performance-based assessments.
- Mentored students through project-based and community-engaged learning experiences.

### **Grants & Funding Management**

- **SPIRIT Club CBI Pathway** (SBIR, NICHD, \$2.1M) | Project Manager, 2024–2026
- **ESSER/ARP Grant** (\$48,672), 2021–2022
- **Addressing Educator Shortages in Ohio**, 2022
- **OCER Innovation Grant**, 2020
- **SDFS Sustainability Grant**, 2011–2012

### **Conference Presentations & Professional Learning**

- *CEC National Presenter & Attendee* (2014–2023)
- *Six Stages of Co-Teaching*, CEC Summer Conference, Malone University (2023)
- *MTSS Implementation Strategies*, Graham Family of Schools (2019–2022)
- *Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Best Practices*, May 2023

## **Leadership & Instructional Expertise**

- Staff Supervision & OTES Evaluation
- Executive Functioning & Co-Teaching Implementation
- IEP Development & Self-Advocacy Tools
- Policy & Procedure Development (IDEA, ADA, 504, etc.)
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)
- Strategic Planning & School Operations
- Stakeholder Engagement & Community Partnerships

## **Coaching & Athletics**

- Assistant Women's Volleyball Coach, Edinboro University (1998–1999)
- Track & Field Coach, South Western HS, PA; Reynoldsburg HS, OH (1999–2008)
- Freshman Volleyball Coach, Pickerington North HS, OH (2008–2010)

## **Honors & Awards**

- NCAA DII National Championship Tournament – Volleyball (1996, 1998)
- NCAA DII National Qualifier – Heptathlon (1998)
- PIAA State High Jump Finalist (1995)

## **Professional Affiliations & Service**

- Member, Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)
- Secretary, Ohio CEC Board (2021–2023)
- Member, Ohio's Disproportionality Work Group (2021)
- Volunteer, Cat Welfare, Columbus, OH (2018–Present)
- Volunteer, The Memorial Tournament, Muirfield Village (2022–Present)