

Bonnie Richardson  
V.P. Elect Dance



Bonnie Richardson is a National Board Certified Physical Education Teacher in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Her educational preparation includes a BS degree in Health and Physical Education and an MS degree in Kinesiology from LSU. During her 35-year teaching career, Bonnie served as a curriculum developer and presenter for 'It's Your Healthy Life' -- part of the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative. She received a Project Fit America grant as part of the Mayor's Healthy City Initiative. Bonnie served as Director of Physical Activity and was Teacher of the Year for Baton Rouge, FLAIM.

In the Louisiana Association for HPERD, she was the 2015-17 President and received numerous awards including the 2005 Honor Award, 2013 Dance Teacher of the Year, and the 2003 and 2017 Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year. Other honors include Project Fit America All Star Teacher of the Year 2014, Model Schools Award 2015, and LAHPERD Tour de Fitness instructor, 2022-23.

Bonnie has volunteered for the YMCA Youth Sports Council, American Heart Association Advisory Board of Directors, and was a coach for various youth sports teams.

Other achievements at the regional and national levels include SHAPE America, Southern District Teacher of the Year 2018; Southern District Member at Large, 2017; a member of the District's Dance Committee; Let's Move Active Schools National Award; SHAPE America Speak Out Day Participant 2016-18; and Past President of Alpha Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Leadership opportunities at the state, regional and national levels have allowed Bonnie to develop leadership qualities that she would use to foster the continued development of Dance in the Southern Tier Region of NAHPL.