

# LINDA SAVASTANO

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## SUPERINTENDENT

**Dedicated and enthusiastic professional with proven ability to provide deliberate leadership to ensure that every decision and action will ensure success for ALL students. Known for remarkable work ethic, integrity, fidelity, unique skills grounded in 21<sup>st</sup> century resources, and a relentless drive for excellence.**

- Curriculum & Instructional Leadership
- Assessment Literacy Culture
- Grant Development & Management
- Technology Management
- Data & Accountability Oversight
- Intervention & System of Supports
- Educator Evaluation
- Human & Physical Infrastructure
- Communications including Webmaster
- Leadership Development & Staff Management
- Professional Development Programming
- Standards Based Education
- Budget Development
- College & Career Readiness
- Rigorous, Engaging & Future Ready Learning
- Safe & Secure Learning

### SOUTH KINGSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Superintendent (AUGUST 2019 –Present)

Assistant Superintendent (JUNE 2019-AUGUST 2019)

### MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Assistant Superintendent (2008–2019)

- Led and implemented a **culture built on a Professional Learning Community where the focus is on the highest expectation for ALL students**, working collaboratively on all matters related to learning and holding ourselves accountable for results that drive continual improvement
- Spearheaded a **passionate commitment for a 21st century digital transformation** aligned with the Deeper Learning competencies, focused on providing a student-centered, digital, innovative learning pedagogy and environment
- Skillful **staff management, professional development and increased leadership capacity** while creating a culture of equity, openness, and sharing of ideas
- Successfully directed all aspects of **curriculum, instruction and assessment**, most recently leading K-12 world language program and K-12 STEAM / Project Lead the Way program to be provided for all students as part of the core curriculum while supporting career technical education and pathways
- Effectively established **specialized instruction programming** including but not limited to tier two and tier three interventions that included research-based programs and progress-monitoring for all students not performing at grade level
- Continued to lead the **technology management and infrastructure** for the district and integrated this responsibility seamlessly into the 21<sup>st</sup> century transformation
- Developed and implemented a successful, innovative **teaching, learning and technology budget** despite years of significant funding loss through efficient, effective and creative leadership and proactive grant pursuits and awards
- Significant experience with **general municipal/school law, collective bargaining, procurement, contracts, RI laws and regulations, policy development**, special education and consultant contracts and services

**MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
Director of Technology (2003-2008)

- Built a **district technology infrastructure while leading the administrative, communication and academic oversight** of its use including website management, implemented over 50 data systems and state reporting, budget, inventory, help desk , cloud based environment including Microsoft 365 and Google tools
- Built and supported a **technology network** with over 1,200 hardwired devices and over 1,500 wireless devices for over 3,000 users
- Empowered users through **staff professional development and standards based curriculum integration** for the 21<sup>st</sup> century

**MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
Teacher (1989-2003)

- K-12 Technology Integration Teacher, Middletown Public Schools
- K-8 Technology Integration Teacher, Middletown Public Schools
- Middle School Computer Science Teacher, J.H. Gaudet Middle School
- High School Computer Science Teacher, Middletown High School
- High School Mathematics Teacher, Middletown High School

**BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY – BRIDGEWATER, MA** **2014-2018**  
Adjunct Professor, Department of Secondary Education and Professional Programs

- Technology for Administrators Course Professor for Masters and C.A.G.S Program

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**EDUCATION**

**BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY – BRIDGEWATER, MA**  
Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Educational Leadership  
Accelerated School Administrator Licensure Program | Superintendent / Assistant Superintendent

**NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY – FORT LAUDERDALE, FL**  
Master of Science in Computing Technology in Education

**PROVIDENCE COLLEGE – PROVIDENCE, RI**  
Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics with Minor in Business Studies and Minor in Education

**CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSURE**

Rhode Island Superintendent of Schools  
Massachusetts Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent  
Rhode Island Administrator of Curriculum and Instruction  
Rhode Island Professional Teacher of Secondary Mathematics  
Rhode Island Life Professional Teacher of Secondary Computer Science  
Rhode Island Middle School Mathematics Endorsement

**AFFILIATIONS**

*Executive Board, Program Committee Member, and Co-Chair, RI School Superintendents' Association (RISSA)*  
*Member, Past President and Executive Board, RI Society of Technology Educators (RISTE)*

**CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL GROWTH**

National Institute for School Leadership (NISL) Executive Development Program (2018-2019)

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

International Society of Technology Educators (ISTE)– Making IT Happen Award

**PUBLICATIONS**

(2015) Dillon, P., Erkens, C., Sanna, D. & Savastano, L. Crowdlearning: Eight Districts Pool Resources to Focus On Assessment Literacy. Journal of Staff Development 36, 28 – 32.