

Vision Statement for 2024 AUCD Board Nominees

Name of Candidate: Wanda P. Felty

Race/Ethnicity (voluntary): White

Disability status (voluntary): Acquired disability, chronic health affecting mobility and energy

AUCD Member Organization: Center for Learning and Leadership | UCEDD and OK LEND

Current Position (role and date range): Assistant Director and Core Faculty Mentor - Family Discipline

Total Years Employed/Active in an AUCD Member Center or Program: 12.5 years with the UCEDD and LEND

My vision for the Association:

My vision of AUCD is to be a place where all belong and are included regardless of their education or lived experience. AUCD should be the lead in bringing value to the lived experience of those living with a disability and their family members knowledge and skills, as it relates to education, research and program development for the system of disability services.

What I would like to accomplish on the Board:

I would like to be a part of revising the partnership between those with lived experience including the family, and the scholars who invest in research, program development and education.

How I have demonstrated and continue to demonstrate leadership in the network:

I have served as Co-Secretary of the COLA for two terms. I have also served on the Public Policy Committee since I started working at the UCEDD in 2010. I have spoken to the Oklahoma federal delegation regarding UCEDD and LEND funding and the impact to our state because of that funding.