# Ann M. Strozyk

### **Professional Experience**

# Environmental Educator Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) In tandem with The Howard County Conservancy

2009 - present

- HCPSS Watershed Report Card Initiative Program Lead
   Developed, manages, and instructs program providing hands-on field experience evaluating local stream quality to more than 1,200 high school students annually
- Maryland State Watershed Report Card Program Lead
   Expanded HCPSS Watershed Report Card Initiative Program to encompass 14 counties as a result of overwhelming positive feedback from Maryland government officials, other county pubic school systems and educators statewide
- HCPSS Watershed Report Card Coach Team Manager
   Manages and trains 6 Watershed Coaches who in turn support 26 science teachers, all of which extends the Watershed Program's educational impact to local classrooms by preparing students for their watershed hand-on field experiences and through follow-up analysis
- Education Field Experience Coordinator
  Plans and conducts 40 innovative field experiences for more than 1700 students annually
- Volunteer Naturalist Coordinator
  Conducts extensive training with Volunteer Naturalist Team in preparation for ongoing student
  field experiences focusing on instructional best practices and facilitating team building exercises
- Professional Development Instructor
   Instructs 80 hours of Continuing Professional Development coursework focused on environmental issues for Howard County educators and teachers statewide
- Gifted and Talented Mentor Intern Program
   Supports one high school student annually in job shadowing and keystone project development

# Adjunct Professor University of Maryland Baltimore County

Spring 2013

• STEM in the Environment Course
Developed, wrote and piloted semester-long course for Howard County elementary teachers

# Biology & GT Resource Educator Howard County Public Schools

1993-2001

• Science Lesson Development

Created challenging high school lessons for all levels of science and differentiated lessons to meet individual student needs

• Gifted and Talented Mentor Program

Annually placed 30 high school juniors and seniors in internship positions, monitored their progress, and supported students in professional skills and project development

Senior Class Advisor

Coached and mentored the classes of 1999 and 2001 to create Homecoming, fundraising, and Prom events

#### Education

MS in Environmental Science and Policy, Johns Hopkins University

June 1999

BS in Biology, Salisbury State University

May 1993

#### **Honors and Awards**

### Above and Beyond Award

December 2016

The Maryland Water Monitoring Conference recognizes the contributions of an up and coming member of Maryland's environmental community. The newly-created Above and Beyond Award is presented to an individual who has volunteered time and energy toward the monitoring of Maryland's waters and has made a significant contribution to increasing watershed awareness, advocacy, education and stewardship.

### **HCPSS Crystal Flame Award**

April 2015

HCPSS awards one school system employee the Families and the Community category award as one of the annual Crystal Flame Awards through engaging students in learning and supporting families and the community as partners in education.

## STEM Educator of the Year

**April 2013** 

The Tech Council of Maryland (TCM), Maryland's largest technology trade association with more than 400 biotechnology and technology members employing more than 200,000 in the region annually recognizes teachers who exemplify leadership in STEM-focused activities