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**DR. SUZI  
D'ANNOLFO**

A Connecticut educator for thirty-eight years and a lifelong advocate for social justice, Dr. Suzi D'Annolfo was the first female athletic director overseeing the West Hartford school system. Throughout her career, she held several leadership roles in schools across Connecticut which eventually led her to the training of the next generation of school leaders at both CCSU and University of Hartford. She is a past recipient of the prestigious Milken National Educator Award and principal of a National Blue Ribbon school.



**DR. BONNIE  
EDMONDSON**

Dr. Bonnie Edmondson is an Associate Professor and Graduate Coordinator of the SCSU School of Health Education Program. A national leader in the field of health education with over thirty years of experience as a classroom teacher, consultant and program manager, she has served on several expert panels for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. She was also the 2016 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Coach for the women's throwing events.



**DR. GLADIS  
KERSAINT**

Prior to joining the UCONN administration as Dean of the Neag School of Education, Dr. Gladis Kersaint was the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and Research at the Univ. of South Florida and a noted professor of mathematics. During her tenure at USF, Dr. Kersaint served as director of the David C. Anchin Center and held the endowed chair in Education Innovation, promoting alliances and leveraging resources to create partnerships supporting innovation and advancement of teaching. She is the author of several books and has been published in a number of journals.



**DR. PATRICIA  
LAW**

Dr. Patricia Law is the Superintendent of Regional School District 8, serving students in grades 7-12 in the towns of Hebron, Andover and Marlborough. Previously, she worked for the Granby Public Schools as an assistant principal, principal, director of secondary education and director of curriculum and professional development. She has presented at several professional conferences including the 2012 Black and Hispanic/Latino Male Forum at CSCU focusing on reducing the achievement gap and the 2017 Coherence Conference sharing strategies for aligning PLC goals across a district.



**DR. PENELOPE  
LISI**

Professor in the Department of Educational Leadership, Policy and Instructional Technology at CCSU, Dr. Penelope Lisi also serves as director of the CCSU doctoral program in Jamaica. Her work focuses on social justice and leadership in international settings. A past recipient of a Fullbright Scholarship, her experience includes teaching at both elementary and secondary levels. She coauthored "Becoming a Multicultural Educator: Developing Awareness, Gaining Skills, and Taking Action" which won the National Association for Multicultural Education Book Award.