

# THOMAS ROSATI ED.D A.T.P.

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## EDUCATION

St. John's University	
<b>B.S. Teacher of Speech Hearing and Language</b>	<b>1980</b>
<b>Ed. D. Administrative Leadership</b>	<b>2008</b>
Dissertation "A Study of School District Similarities and Comparables for New York State Schools"	
Adelphi University	
<b>M.S. in Special Education</b>	<b>1985</b>
Long Island University	
<b>Advanced Certificate in Computers in Education</b>	<b>1986</b>
California State University	
<b>Advanced Certificate in Assistive Technology Applications</b>	<b>2000</b>
State University of New York at Stony Brook	
<b>M.S. School Administration</b>	
<b>Doctoral Candidate in Biomechanical Engineering</b>	<b>2003</b>

## AWARDS

Father Easterly Award for Student Leadership	<b>1980</b>
P.T.A. Lifetime Membership	<b>1998</b>
Boy Scout Leadership Scouting Spark Plug Award	<b>2001</b>
Doctoral Program Graduate Assistant	<b>2007</b>

## **R.E.S.N.A. National Certification as an Assistive Technology Provider**

### **Permanent N.Y.S. Certifications**

Teacher of Speech, Language and Hearing  
Special Education  
School District Administration

### **Tenure Granted**

Hempstead Public Schools  
Eastern Suffolk B.O.C.E.S.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Hempstead Public Schools	
<b>Teacher of Speech, Language and Hearing Handicapped</b>	<b>1980-1986</b>
District Technology Coordinator	
Nassau BOCES	
<b>Administrative Assistant; Teacher Center Director</b>	<b>1986-1987</b>
State Technology Committee	
Half Hollow Hills School District	
<b>Special Education Teacher</b>	<b>1987-1988</b>
Building Science and Computer Coordinator	
Eastern Suffolk BOCES	
<b>Teacher of Speech, Language and Hearing Handicapped</b>	<b>1988-2013</b>
Curriculum Module Leader, Mentor Trainer, Union Rep, Newsletter Editor	
St. John's University	
<b>Graduate Adjunct Professor; Speech Pathology Department</b>	<b>2002-2008</b>
Education Technology; Education of Severely Impaired Students; Assistive Technology Module	
Stony Brook University	
<b>Visiting Adjunct Professor; Mechanical Engineering Department</b>	<b>2013-Present</b>
Senior design capstone course	
Practical Science of Things- Department's first online course	

**RELATED EXPERIENCE**

Teacher Center Policy Board <b>Nassau TRACT Board President, MESTRACT Policy Board</b> Grant writer, Grant Reader	<b>1984 – 2004</b>
S.C.O.P.E. Webmaster and Network Systems Design Certification programs School Administration Systems Design and Structure of Internet Technology	<b>1997-2000</b>
Adaptive Play Technologies <b>Facilitator</b> NSF grant working with Stony Brook engineering students to design and adapt equipment	<b>2000-2013</b>
Union Newsletter and Website <b>Editor</b> Executive Board member; The BEACON has State and National Awards of Excellence	<b>2006 – 2014</b>
J.E.T.S. Design Competition R.E.S.N.A. National Conference Review Panel <b>Judge</b> J.E.T.S. A pre-college national competition to design solutions for special needs individuals R.E.S.N.A. Nation conference review panel for papers and presentations	<b>2007-2013</b>
<b>Independent Evaluator</b> Evaluations, training, workshops, expert witness regarding independent assistive technology evaluations for over 30 school districts, including NYC DOE Long Island evaluator for assistive technology New York State ACCES-VR agency	<b>2009-Present</b>

**PUBLICATIONS**

- “How to Improve the Quality of School Administration Candidates Overnight and Save Millions of Dollars in the Process”  
Long Island Education Review
  
- “The Use of Assistive Technology for Students With Auditory Processing Disorder”  
Chapter in Auditory Processing Disorders by Geffner, Ross-Swain

**SELECT PRESENTATIONS**

New York State In-service Conference	<i>Distance Learning through Computer Conferencing</i>
New York State S.T.A.R. Curriculum Conference	<i>Thematic Units and A.P.I. Standards</i>
Long Island Network of Centers	<i>A.T. for Committees on Special Education</i>
Long Island Scouting Division	<i>State Standards and F.D.R. Special Needs Scouting</i>
DellaCave Institute	<i>Classroom Technology Integration</i>
New York State Peer Review MESTRACT Teacher Center	<i>Journey to the Bamboo Forest</i> <i>Inclusion - What Works</i>
C.E.C. National Conference	<i>Is Special Education Really Special?</i>
Blackboard.com Guest Lecturer Series	<i>How the Other Half Lives</i>
SUNY Center for Online Teaching Excellence	<i>Universally Designing Online for all Students</i>

**TRAINER**

I-Pad and Tablet computers, Educational technology applications, Assistive technology for students with specific disabilities  
A.A.C. Software including Proloquo2go; TouchChat  
Computer applications in Microsoft Office 365, Inspiration, Smartboard and Eno Boards,  
Kurzweil, Bookshare, and specific education software applications

**WORKSHOPS**

What is Assistive Technology and Why is it on my Child's I.E.P.?  
Big Brother IS Watching  
Creating an Online Course  
Online Educational Scavenger Hunt  
Assistive Technology for Technologists  
Electronic Devices and New Technology  
Blue Teeth and Fire Wires -Playing with Peripherals  
Flashing and Caching Your Cookies  
Voice Input/Output Systems  
Video Production in the Classroom  
Teaching with Templates  
The Ins and Outs of a Computer  
Outrageous Education  
PlayFair Cooperative Education  
Thematic Unit Curriculum Development  
Reach Out and Touch a Teacher  
Common Core for the Uncommon Teacher

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Cubmaster of Regular and Special Needs Scouting Packs 373 and 911, Eagle Scouts projects coordination  
Regional Theater programs - Acting, Directing and Educational Programs  
James Street Players theater club president  
Murder Mystery Playwright with five original productions  
Long Island Sound Barbershop Chorus at Five Towns College  
FIRST Robotics Long Island SBPLI Board

Additional information available at **SpecialTeaching.com**