

## Dr. April M. Hershey



Dr. April M. Hershey is the Superintendent at Warwick School District, serving since June of 2009. In her five years as superintendent, April has seen academic growth at all levels, has worked collaboratively with the board and administration to overhaul the district's policies, enjoyed a productive relationship with the bargaining unit, and has lead a district entrepreneurial venture to market and sell district-created software and web services. The WarwickWARE software project brings over \$200,000 of additional revenue to the district on a yearly basis.

From 2006 to 2009, she served as the assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction at Cocalico School District. She served as the principal of Reamstown Elementary School from 2002 to 2006. Previously, she served as principal and dean of students in the Annville-Cleona School District. Prior to and during those administrative assignments, April also served Annville-Cleona as a full-time music teacher. April has also worked as a music teacher for the Cornwall-Lebanon School District and the Northern Lebanon School District.

April obtained her Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Lebanon Valley College, and a Masters of Education in teaching and curriculum from The Pennsylvania State University. She holds certifications as a teacher, elementary and secondary principal, and school superintendent. In October 2005, April successfully defended her dissertation in the Interdisciplinary Doctoral Program for Educational Leaders (IDPEL) at Duquesne University. Her topic was: Factors Affecting the Aspirations and Career Path to the Superintendency. This dissertation was published as a book by VDM Verlag Dr. Muller in 2007.

Although April currently spends the majority of her time working as a school

district administrator, she still attempts to spend time with her first love, music. April spent 10 years as the director of the Annville United Methodist Church adult choir, and 9 years as an officer and singer/soloist with the Alumni Chorale of Lebanon Valley College. Currently, she sings in the praise band and choir at Ephrata Church of the Brethren, and works as a soloist for weddings and other special events.

April and her husband, Richard, reside in Lititz.