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Graduate and Professional Career Planning



On the journey with your fellow Regis graduates



ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP BY DEGREE

Bobbie Finocchio's rise to the top began with her own foundation in education.

To her many years of experience as a school principal and special education teacher, as well as a mentor to new teachers and prospective school principals, **Bobbie Finocchio** now adds the title of Vice President of Academic Excellence at Nardin Academy, a Catholic lower, middle and high school in Buffalo, New York. In this role, all principals and academic department heads report to Bobbie.

A Winthrop, Massachusetts, native and "proud Regis graduate" (BA '04, MA '10), Bobbie also holds a second master's degree from Salem State University and a doctoral degree from Boston College.

With expertise in curriculum reform and mapping, backwards design (in which goals are set for educational curriculum prior to choosing instructional methods and assessment) and co-teaching, Bobbie is firmly rooted in academia. Yet for all her credentials, her sage advice for career success is simple, straightforward, and applicable to every profession.

TAKE 5

Seeking career wisdom? Ask a professional.

We asked Bobbie to share what she learned in order to obtain her current position and help her remain effective on the job. Here, in random order, are 5 of her takeaways:

5: Do what you love and make no compromises there!

4: Be bold and stand up for what you believe to be important. In my case, I am an advocate for students and I keep that at the center of my work.

3: Surround yourself with people who inspire you.

2: Stay connected to people in your professional network. This helps me remain current on best practices, learn from others, and build relationships with people in similar roles.

1: Do your best to maintain a healthy work-life balance. Work hard, but also drink water, exercise, and spend time with your friends and family doing things that make you happy.

DO YOU HAVE A NEW JOB with your present employer or another organization? If you would be willing to share more about how you got there, including advice for your fellow Regis graduates, contact Kaitlynn M. Arvidson, Ed.M. Director, Graduate and Professional Career Planning at Kaitlynn.arvidson@regiscollege.edu.



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