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**Content area(s) that you currently teach:** 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

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Amy Braswell is an Arkansas State University at Jonesboro graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Education in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. She also has a Master in Educational Theory and Practice.

She is currently a fourth-grade teacher at Don Roberts Elementary School in Little Rock.

During her 27-year career in education, she has served as an elementary teacher, International Baccalaureate coordinator, and district magnet school coordinator. Braswell received National Board Certification in 2001 and renewed her certification in 2010.

Braswell was awarded the Milken Educator Award in 2002 and also was named a district and regional Teacher of the Year.

She has received extensive training in a variety of areas including International Baccalaureate, curriculum management, arts integration, thematic instruction, high yield strategies, total instructional alignment, balanced literacy and Step Up to Writing. Over the years, she has served as a mentor to new teachers and has helped a number of teachers complete the National Board Certification process. She has been a presenter and conducted workshops for educators within her local community and across the state.

Braswell has written and been awarded a variety of grants that have funded special projects and learning experiences for her students. She has been a leader in Arts in Education initiatives, writing and receiving thousands of dollars in grants to implement the arts in her classroom and across school buildings and districts in which she serves.

In 2005, Braswell was appointed by Gov. Mike Huckabee to serve on the Arkansas Commission for the Coordination of Educational Efforts in Arkansas. Currently, she is

serving her third term as a commissioner. She also is serving as the liaison between the Milken Family Foundation and Arkansas Milken educators.

“Education doesn’t need to be reformed...it needs to be transformed. The key to this transformation is not to standardize education, but to personalize it, to build achievement on discovering the individual talents of each child, to put students in an environment where they want to learn and where they can naturally discover their true passions.” – Sir Ken Robinson

Braswell is available to speak, conduct workshops, and/or serve on committees related to the following topics:

- Integrated Instruction
- Arts in Education
- Student Engagement
- Effective Writing Strategies in the Classroom
- Community Building
- Parental Involvement
- Classroom Management
- Standards Based Instruction
- National Board Certification and Renewal