

## Aimee Kennedy – BIO



Aimee Kennedy is Battelle's Senior Vice President of Education, STEM Learning, and Philanthropy. She also serves as the President of Battelle Education. Aimee directs Battelle's efforts to foster innovative educational environments that prepare students for tomorrow's career and college environment. These inclusive schools offer students access to rigorous academics and real world context, while focusing on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Metro Early College and the Metro Institute of Technology are two examples of excellent schools formed under Battelle's STEM strategy. For even wider impact, Battelle also manages STEM networks including the Ohio STEM Learning Network, Tennessee STEM Innovation Network, and the national STEMx network.

In addition to directing Battelle's national philanthropy portfolio, Aimee serves as a Board of Trustee member for KIPP: Columbus, COSI: Columbus' Center of Science and Industry, the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, Battelle for Kids, The PAST Foundation, and ROX: Ruling Our Experiences – a non-profit focused on empowering young women. She also serves in an advisory capacity for The Ohio State University's College of Engineering and NASA's Task Force on STEM Education.

Aimee was formerly the Principal/Chief Administrative Officer at Metro Early College High School, an Ohio STEM Learning Network school founded by Battelle and located on the campus of The Ohio State University. Having been at Metro since the school's second year, she also served as assistant principal and classroom teacher. As principal, Aimee led Metro Early College to unprecedented levels of student achievement during her tenure. Before working at Metro, Aimee was a teacher and leader in Canton City Schools.

Aimee routinely consults with educators, industry partners, and higher education organizations across the country as they plan for innovation and school reform. Notably, her work in Ohio, Texas, North Carolina, and Tennessee has resulted in schools incorporating Literacy and Math initiatives in STEM and Early College schools throughout their states. Aimee is frequently called upon to share her expertise in designing responsive systems that enhance rigor and relevance in schools, and simultaneously provide opportunities for personalized learning environments for students.

Aimee earned her bachelor's degree from Malone University in Communications, a master's in Education from the University of Akron and completed her PhD at The Ohio State University.