

Merri Jo Hooven

2007 Carr Fellow - Reading Department

Ms. Hooven currently serves as the Coordinator of the School Readiness Program for the Irvine U.S.D. In this role, she provides leadership for the interdisciplinary team implementing school readiness program services for parents and children in the district, spearheads district outreach efforts to promote school readiness through linkages with collaborative partners and community agencies and promotes best teaching practices through ongoing review of current research and development of provider education. In addition to these responsibilities, Ms. Hooven serves on the Early Literacy School Readiness Coordinator Advisory Committee and is a member of the City of Irvine Strategic Planning Advisory Committee. She has served on the Family Involvement Network of Educators (FINE) Harvard Family research Project and was a member of the Irvine Early Care and Education Committee.