

About the Author



Jennifer Abrams is a professional developer for Palo Alto Unified School District in California and a national and international educational consultant for public and private schools, charter schools, universities, and nonprofits. Jennifer has been a high school English teacher, new teacher coach, and induction program coordinator. She now trains and coaches teachers and administrators on successful teaching practices, new teacher support, supervision and evaluation, generational savvy, having hard conversations, and effective collaboration skills.

She works with cadres of PAUSD teacher leaders to lead sessions on elements of instruction and the “Equity=Excellence” program and provides all new teacher trainings and supervisor trainings at the secondary level. Jennifer also is a lead coach for the Palo Alto–Mountain View/Los Altos Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Program.

In her consulting work, Jennifer has presented at annual conferences such as National Staff Development Council, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, National Council of Teachers of English, and the New Teacher Center at University of California Santa Cruz Annual Symposium. She has trained new teachers in the Stanford Teacher Education Program, administrative candidates at Santa Clara University and international school leaders through the Principals’ Center for International School Leadership. Her chapter, “Habits of Mind for the School Savvy Leader” will be featured in Arthur L. Costa and Bena Kallick’s upcoming book in their *Habits of Mind* series, *Learning and Leading with Habits of Mind: 16 Essential Characteristics for Success*.

Jennifer considers herself a “voice coach,” helping teachers and administrators learn how to best use their voices, whether in a group, in front of a classroom, coaching a colleague, or in a supervisory role. Jennifer holds a master’s degree in education from Stanford University and a bachelor’s degree in English from Tufts University. She lives in Palo Alto, California. She can be reached at jennifer@jenniferabrams.com.