

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS – AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



*Patricia J. Martin,
Asst Vice President -The College Board*

Patricia J. Martin is a nationally recognized leader in the reform of school counseling and efforts to design training opportunities to help practicing counselors become an integral part of the primary mission for schools. Pat has over 30 years of experience as a public school educator, having worked as a teacher, school counselor, supervisor of counselors, high school principal, chief educational administrator and assistant superintendent of schools in Prince George's County, Maryland.

Presently at the Office of School Counselor Advocacy, Pat leads the College Board efforts to serve as a national advocate for school counselors, charged with creating a national prominence for counselors in education reform. In this position Pat collaborates, coordinates and develops on-going initiatives with national, state and local organizations to strengthen the school counselors' role in advancing the academic agenda for all students.



*Jim Fish,
Principal Coach*

James Fish is presently employed with Tucson Unified School District as a Principal Coach. He trains principals and assistant principals in the area of school management and effective instruction. Prior to this position he spent 34 years in the Montgomery County Public School system in Maryland as a high school and middle school principal, human resources specialist, and a classroom teacher. Jim also serves as a consultant with The Education Trust National Center for Transforming School Counseling and has trained school counseling groups throughout the country. Jim and his wife Beverly currently reside in Vail Arizona. They have two adult children who continue to live in Maryland.