



## RUTH PAGE-SMITH

**Tackle Tomorrow Coach,  
R.C. Burluson Elementary School, Dallas ISD**

Ruth Page-Smith is an enthusiastic, veteran master educator with 33+ years of experience in reading and language arts. She is motivated by the belief that all children can be successful learners. Mrs. Page-Smith possesses an aptitude to remain flexible, ensuring that every child's learning style and abilities are addressed every day, every time. She uses her friendly demeanor, excellent interpersonal and communication skills to foster meaningful relationships with students and staff

### **Professional Experience:**

Reading Coach – TACKLE TOMORROW FOUNDATION - January 2021-PRESENT

Professional Educator – DALLAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Grades (2-6) 1981-2014  
WILMER-HUTCHINS ISD 1980-1981

Ruth Page-Smith instructed students in grades 2- 6 at various times during her tenure with the districts'. During her career, she developed and led programs that met the academic, intellectual, and social needs of her students, especially in fourth grade writing. She also fostered oral language development and critical thinking skills through in-class and extra-curricular activities like the "*Odyssey of the Mind*" creative thinking competitions, campus annual oratorical competitions and after school writing clubs. As an RLA instructor, her motto was and is still, "Every student, every day."

As an educator, Ms. Page-Smith has had the opportunity to serve in several leadership positions on her campuses. Many of which were, Grade Level Chair/Lead, Campus Instruction Leadership Team, Instructional Best Practices presenter, Balanced Literacy Model Classroom, 1995 and 2012 Teacher of the Year. \* After retirement, Mrs. Page-Smith was asked by her former principal to return to campus and mentor new teachers in fourth grade writing for a year.

### **Education:**

Being the first in her family to attend and finish college was paramount to Mrs. Smith. She attended Bishop College and graduated with honors with a degree in Education, specializing in Reading development. Mrs. Page-Smith is also ESL certified. Currently working with the iStation Reading Program for Tackle Tomorrow, Mrs. Page-Smith stays current by recertifying each year.

### **Personal:**

Mrs. Page-Smith's is married. Her personal interests are varied. She is a small business owner, community volunteer in the Pleasant Grove Community and an active church school leader and teacher.