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Killion is Senior Advisor for Learning Forward. Killion focuses on improving professional learning for all educators. Her books, *What Works in the Middle: Results-Based Staff Development*, *What Works in the Elementary Grades: Results-Based Staff Development*, and *What Works in the High School: Results-Based Staff Development*, summarize two-year studies of content-specific staff development. Her study of schools that have received the U.S. Department of Education's Model Professional Development Awards sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and WestEd resulted in *Teachers Who Learn Kids Who Achieve: A Look at Model Professional Development*. She has studied online learning and its role in professional development. This work resulted in *E-Learning for Educators: Implementing the Standards*. Her most recent books include *Assessing Impact: Evaluating Staff Development*, *Assessing Impact: Evaluating Staff Development: A Trainer's Manual* (co-authored with Linda Munger and Pat Roy), *Collaborative Professional Learning Teams in School and Beyond: A Tool Kit for New Jersey Educators*, and *Taking the Lead: New Roles for Teacher and School-based Coaches* (co-authored with Cindy Harrison); *The Learning Educator: A New Era in Professional Learning* (co-authored with Stephanie Hirsh); and *Becoming a Learning School* (with Patricia Roy).

Killion has extensive experience in professional development. As former Deputy Executive Director of Learning Forward, she has led a number of initiatives related to examining the link between professional development and student learning. She has extensive experience in professional development planning, design, implementation, and evaluation both at the school and system level. She has conducted evaluations of projects funded by federal and private foundation grants including U.S Department of Education Technology Challenge Grants, Washington Mutual Foundation, Dodge Foundation, GE Foundation, Wachovia Foundation's Teachers and Teaching Initiative, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, MetLife Foundation, Wallace Foundation, and the Sandler Foundation.

The creed Killion lives by is:

Excellence can be achieved if you . . .

Care more than others think is wise . . .

Risk more than others think is safe . . .

Dream more than others think is practical . . .

Expect more than others think is possible . . .

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