



**Candidate for Secondary (9-12) Representative**

**Jennifer Whyte  
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Anniston, AL**

**Summary CV**

Jennifer Whyte is a Spanish teacher employed at The Donoho School in Anniston, Alabama. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Spanish Education from Jacksonville State University and a Master's degree in English Education from Liberty University. Her previous employment and volunteer experience has been language focused on language learning. She is an award-winning educator winning the title of Teacher of Year for the Alabama World Language Association (AWLA) in 2021 and advancing to winning the regional title of the Southern Conference on Language Teaching (SCOLT) in 2021 and a finalist for the National Teacher of the Year 2022. She is in the TOY committee for SCOLT, and is on the ACTFL TOY task force. She is a member of the K-3 committee for AATSP and the past chair for ACTFL's African American Student Interest Group. She represents SCOLT at the Leadership Initiative for Language Learning (LILL) where she will collaborate with other teachers in a leadership conference in Boulder, CO this Summer. She took students on travel excursions to Jamaica, Spain, Mexico, and the Southwest (Arizona, Utah, and Nevada). She is a substitute fill-in as a chaperone for the AATSP and National Spanish Exam Puerto Rico excursion. She has been a presenter for several state, regional, and national conferences on the theme of diversity, inclusion, and how to incorporate diversity in the curriculum. Mrs. Whyte exposes her school community and city to international fairs and cultural events to expose people from all ages of the lack of visibility of the members of the school or the city.

[Click here](#) to read Whyte's full CV (PDF).

## **Candidacy Statement**

Hello, Hola, my name is Jenniffer Whyte and I am a candidate for the 9-12 secondary division of AATSP.

I believe I will be a good candidate for this position because I have leadership experience in various positions. Aside from being married, a mother of five, I am a foster parent, an adoptive parent, a president of a non-profit organization, I hold a bachelor's in Spanish and master's degree in English, a leader in my community who helps bridge the culture and race factor, and I have availed myself to help teachers online with issues of diversity through resources such as a prominent Facebook group and a podcast.

Bringing joy and the appreciation of culture is an important factor in an organization especially in a time like this when we are still dealing with the pandemic, and in the middle of a war. The times don't seem to be great right now, so more than ever, it is important to surround yourself with people who have joy, laughter, and have a positive attitude.

I am very grateful for the opportunity to run for the Board of Directors position for the secondary division. After the experience of being the SCOLT Teacher of the Year in 2021, I realized that there is support out there for teachers who may feel alone, unappreciated, and feel a lack of leadership to help them in areas where they may feel insecure. La organización AATSP provee este servicio para sus miembros y para mí sería un honor servir. Gracias, Obrigada.

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