

Barbara Frates, Biography
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Barb Frates taught Business Education in Wyoming for 34 years before retiring from the classroom in June 2013. She was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska, and graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education. She earned her Masters of Liberal Arts degree in Adolescent Psychology from Regis University in Denver.

Barb has served as either a local or state adviser or the state chairperson for FBLA for 38 years. She was named the State Chairperson for Wyoming Future Business Leaders of America in January 2010. She serves approximately 900 student members and their advisers in that role with professional development, leadership training, and event planning skills. Barb is a recipient of the Adviser Wall of Fame for the National FBLA organization and has served on the FBLA National Awards Program Committee and FBLA Task Force Committee.

Barb is also contracted by the Wyoming Department of Education, CTE Division, to teach the Career Development Facilitator Course for Wyoming School administrators, counselors, and teachers, as well as some special state agency people that offer career development opportunities. Each course ends with the opportunity for participants to become Certified Career Specialist Providers or Global Career Development Facilitators.

Barb is a Wyoming Licensed Teacher, a Global Certified Career Development Facilitator, a Global Certified Career Development Facilitator Instructor, and is a member of the FBLA Professional Division, Wyoming Association of Career and Technical Educators, and Wyoming Business Education Association.

Barb and her husband Joe currently live in Cheyenne, Wyoming. They have two grown sons and are now enjoying their life as grandparents!