

# Kamil A. Jbeily, Ph.D.

Keynote Speaker | Change Advocate

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Unique and inspiring public speaking expert and active educator who offers a long history of experience delivering keynotes on excellence, equity, diversity, educational advancement, partnerships, systemic reform, and leadership development. Natural connector with a passion for providing solutions and implementing strategies that support highly visible communications and educational evolution. Outstanding speaker and facilitator that motivates and encourages individuals to strive for excellence, leveraging education and leadership in Science to demystify intimidating subjects. Proven ability to optimize expertise to guide decision makers and educators in connecting through effective and emotionally intelligent communication. Highly awarded professional with a drive to facilitate synergistic, successful win-win partnerships, and contribute to organizational systemic reform. Motivates professionals to fully connect with the learning community to create and manage change rather than to simply tolerate tedium.

**Personal Engagement Focus**: Build leadership at all levels, facilitate synergistic, successful win-win partnerships. Invest in people and relationships. Believe in and practice a healthy attitude, positive expectations, and an abundance mentality. Serve others, treasure teams, operate with integrity, reward partners, and contribute to the community. Cultivate a culture of recognizing and valuing people and providing stimulating and exciting opportunities to realize dreams.

### Selected Achievements

- Founded and led the Texas Regional Collaboratives to support Science teachers on 1,648 campuses, representing 647 charter schools and districts, and Mathematics teachers on 1,179 campuses, representing 531 charter schools and districts.
- Developed the knowledge, skills, and leadership capacity of 45K teachers of science and mathematics through sustained and high intensity professional development; and contributed to the higher achievement of 2M+ students.
- Empowered 300 school principals and 900 administrators across Lebanon to adopt a culture of data-driven decision making, shared leadership, teamwork, creating systemic change, and equipping students with 21st Century skills.

# Professional Experience

# Together for Lebanon's Future Foundation Founder & President

2021 - Present

Founder and principal decision maker for this non-profit and a non-sectarian foundation established in 2021, delivering support to underprivileged villages and communities within Lebanon to transition from poverty, unemployment, and scarcity of resources to self-dependence and economic productivity. Assess and prioritize communities and activities for community outreach and engagement to advance priorities. Identify, convene, and connect people, groups, and community resources to each other. Recognize and remove barriers to organizational effectiveness, demonstrate and actively contribute to innovation and continuous improvement.

• Coordinated, funded, and drove projects across North Lebanon, the Mountain of Lebanon, and South Lebanon with a strong focus on equipping communities with vocational and technical skills, and facilitating online teaching and learning for teachers, students, and parents.

#### Reach the Stars Enterprise International Consulting President

2015 - Present

Direct this international consulting firm focused on building leadership, partnerships, and systemic reform within organizations. Serve clients through steering the execution of the strategic vision, mission, and plan, while evaluating progress and ensuring objectives are met. Maintain engagement of the public, constituents, funders, and volunteers through press releases, social media, newsletters, interviews with journalists, and conference participation. Partner with internal and external community and government relation resources to advocate on behalf of the organization's continuous improvement plans. Build coalitions and innovative partnerships to advance strategic directions for corporations to maximize their ROI, and for educational institutions to empower educators, teachers, and students.

- Liaised with media to conduct the "What's New in Education: From Schooling to Employment; Online Interview" July 2020:
- Engaged participants in the "<u>Lebanon, A New Culture for A New Lebanon: Attributes, Challenges, and Opportunities! THE FIRST ECONOMIC EMIGRATION CONGRESS FOR LEBANON;</u> The World Lebanese Cultural Union (WLCU)"; August 2022.
- Authored notable LinkedIn Post "What does a culture of personal, professional, and educational excellence mean?"

Directly collaborated with partners to identify and gain consensus on requirements, clearly defined scope, and deliverables to advance school improvement and professional development initiatives. Identified necessary resources and detailed key objectives and milestones to support project goals. Monitored the deliverables of team members throughout the project, including schedule, budget, quality, adherence to best practices, and communicating with funders.

• Implemented school improvement initiatives and leadership development that empowered 300 school principals and 900 administrators throughout Lebanon to adopt data-driven decision making, building a culture of shared leadership, teamwork, change management, and modern skillset adoption. <u>EDP II Leadership Team Video Clips: Dr. Jbeily</u>

# Texas Regional Collaboratives (TRC) for Excellence in Science & Mathematics Founder & Executive Director

1991 - 2015

Face of this organization that strove for the delivery and implementation of educational excellence across Texas schools. Developed and implemented strategies that promoted mission and "voice" of TRC. Planned, actively managed, and supervised the organization's programs, fundraising, and operations while ensuring financial sustainability. Established goals, objectives, and operational plans in collaboration with leaders and school representatives.

- Public speaker and public relations representative of the organization that leveraged communications expertise to strengthen TRC's profile and engagement.
- Orchestrated all professional development, mentoring, and teacher preparation aspects of TRC's Science and Mathematics Teaching throughout Texas.
- Successfully established and sustained 91+ partnership projects within Texas and two partnership projects with the State of Louisiana, efficiently facilitating the spending of an annual budget of \$15M.
- Transformed the culture of professional development into one that commits to a high quality, sustained, and resultsdriven support system, generating a positive impact on teacher performance and student achievement.

# Additional Experience

Director of Science Projects, Texas Education Agency, USA
Science Specialist, Texas Education Agency, USA
Adjunct Chemistry Professor, Austin Community College, USA
President and President Elect, Adjunct Faculty Association, Austin Community College, USA
Doctoral Research/Teaching Assistant, The University of Texas at Austin, USA
English/Science/Chemistry Teacher, Lebanese Public & Private Schools

### **Education and Credentials**

#### Ph.D. Science Education

The University of Texas at Austin

#### Master of Science, Chemistry & Chemistry Education

The Lebanese University, Beirut

#### **Bachelor of Science, Chemistry**

The Lebanese University, Beirut

#### Certifications

#### **Texas Teacher Certificate**

The University of Texas at Austin

# **Teacher Appraisal System Certificate**

Texas Education Agency

### **Affiliations**

- Together for Lebanon's Future Foundation, Founder & President, Beirut, Lebanon
- Presidential Awards for Excellence. Science and Mathematics Teaching, Chairperson/Selection, National Science Foundation
- Phi Delta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and Kappa Delta Pi Honor Societies, The University of Texas at Austin
- Phi Delta Kappa, Newsletter Editor, The University of Texas at Austin
- Chemistry Graduate Scholarship, The Lebanese University, Beirut, Lebanon
- Charter Member, Texas Science Hall of Fame
- The University of Texas at Austin 2000 Excellence Award
- NARST, NSTA, other State and National Professional Organizations, Member/Presenter/Presider

# Awards

- Inductee, Texas Science Hall of Fame
- The University of Texas at Austin 2000 Excellence Award
- "Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2000"

# Conferences and Presentations

200+ Presentations as Keynote Speaker, Panel Discussion Member, and Main Presenter with topics spanning:

- Leadership, Partnerships, and Systemic Reform
- Cultivating a Culture of Excellence and Leadership Personally and Professionally: Our Success Depends on It
- Excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Arts (STEAM) Education
- Constructivist, Hands-on Science Teaching and Learning: The 5-E Instructional Model
- Rigor and Relevance in STEM Education
- School Preparation and Workforce development: Strategies for Success
- Teacher Empowerment, Developing Leadership Capacity at All Levels of the Educational System
- Building Local, Regional, and State Partnerships in Support of Educational Excellence
- Characteristics of Successful Professional Development; Indicators of Success; Evaluation and Assessment
- From STEM to STEAM Education

Full List of Speeches and Presentations: https://jbeily.org/speeches-and-presentations/#reform

# **Personal Information**

Citizenship: U.S. & Lebanese

Languages: High fluency and proficiency in written and spoken English and Arabic