## Susan Bell



**Susan Bell** has been serving as the Superintendent of the Windsor Locks Public Schools since 2014. She was first hired as a school counselor at Windsor Locks High School, in 2001 and then appointed as Director of Guidance. In that role, Susan and her colleagues were successful in making large-scale school improvement changes with the introduction of the Professional Learning Community Model, inclusive of release time for teachers to talk about and make plans for improving their craft. In 2006, she was appointed Principal of Windsor

Locks High School, where she worked hand in hand with her colleagues and community members to not only reduce the levels of classes, but also to conduct a successful NEASC Accreditation Selfstudy and visit in 2009. In 2010, she made the move to Assistant Principal at Windsor Locks Middle School, where she worked with colleagues and staff to make significant changes in instruction and curriculum, at the same time earning her Doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Hartford. Prior to being appointed as Superintendent last year, she served as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. It was during her experience at the district level, working closely with the Board of Education, that she and the previous superintendent began the process of developing the vision and systemic changes needed to make personalized and mastery-based learning a reality for all children in Windsor Locks – so that they will graduate college, career, and life ready.