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Kathy Darrow-Joiner served as the teacher on special assignment (TOSA) in science for the NWESD’s TOSA Project. In this capacity, she facilitated teams of third through eighth-grade teachers and administrators in processes designed to build science content knowledge, improve collaborative skills, increase awareness of science standards, and strengthen best educational practices.

She has a Bachelor’s degree in elementary education from Northwest Nazarene University and a Master’s degree in elementary science education from Western Washington University. Over the course of her 30 year teaching career, her interest in elementary science education has led to facilitation at science education institutes and workshops for teachers both locally and nationally.