

TEAM MEMBER POTRAIT

# DAVID JOHNSON

*Leadership Development Advisor*



## **BIOGRAPHY //**

David Johnson grew up in the northwest Florida panhandle enjoying both its pine and oak forests and sugar-white beaches. He graduated with honors from the University of West Florida, earning both his bachelor's and master's degrees in elementary education.

David retired after serving the Santa Rosa School District for thirty-seven years. During the first eighteen years, he was an elementary classroom teacher and later served as an assistant principal, principal, and eventually as Santa Rosa's director of continuous improvement.

His campus administration experience was with high-poverty schools. With each assignment, David was able to work with his staff to build a culture of high expectations and a safe, inviting atmosphere. His schools were consistently cited for high achievement and served as role models for schools across the state of Florida. After attending a *Capturing Kids' Heart*<sup>®</sup> training, he realized the process encapsulated everything he believed about building and maintaining strong schools.

David is an avid long-distance runner, having completed numerous marathons, an ultra marathon, and a few triathlons. He also loves working in his yard and backpacking, but his real passion is Harriet, his wife of thirty-plus years, and their three wonderful adult children. (David shares, "Our empty nest is AWESOME!")