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As Executive Director of the National Staff Development Council (NSDC), Stephanie Hirsh helps states, national and state organizations, and selected school systems develop policies and programs focused on quality professional learning. She facilitated the process that led to the national dissemination of NSDC's *Standards for Staff Development and Moving Standards into Practice: Innovation Configurations*.

Prior to NSDC, Hirsh served as a school teacher, community college teacher, consultant, and program and staff development director. She has received many recognitions, including a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Texas Staff Development Council and a Master Trustee Award from the Texas Association of School Boards. Hirsh serves on several advisory boards, and is a third-term school board trustee in the Richardson Independent School District, which serves students in North Dallas, Richardson, and West Garland, Texas.

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