

## Call for Journal Submissions

### THEME:

Examining the Grit and Grace of Leadership

Submission for 2024 Conference

Deadline for Submission: September 30, 2023

The Journal of Texas Women School Executives

(JTWSE) is a national double-blind peer reviewed, open access e-journal publishing original scholarly research and creative works. JTWSE is an official publication of the Texas Council of Women School Executives.

Submissions should address the following topics:

- The Grace, Grit, and Pearls of Leadership
- Perceptions of Understanding Grace (In, From, For) School Leadership
- Historical perspectives on pearl formation, leadership development, and the interventions necessary to create both as successful masterpieces
- Leadership in Times of Crisis
- Leadership styles and grit: does experience matter?

Grit has been described as a driver of success and a key component possessed by highly motivated leaders. Further explained, grit is the combination of being consistently committed to accomplish defined goals, and perseverance through effort and determination (Von Culin, Tsukayama, & Duckworth, 2014). Research by Von Culin et al. (2014) discusses the Grit-S scale, 'gritty' leaders, and the difference in motivating factors of those with more grit compared to those with less grit.

JTWSE welcomes studies examining grit of women school executives. Of additional interest are articles and research addressing perseverance, confidence, and resilience of women school executives in leadership and particularly findings that explore those topics and suggestions for success relative to crisis leadership. In the current climate of social justice and injustice, political manifestations of unrest, safety concerns, and post-pandemic fears, school leadership must be equipped for crisis leadership.

Thus, the need to explore and examine grit, grace, and pearls. Why pearls? Harris, Clark, & Bhagra (2021) conducted a study assessing the characteristics of women leaders in the medical field focused on growth, resilience, inspiration, and tenacity. Like the birth of a leader, the birth of a pearl doesn't happen overnight, it takes time. With both, natural and cultured leaders grow from the right human intervention. Authors are encouraged to provide empirical, historical, and/or action research addressing the theme.

To address the topics described, we welcome single-study investigations, research addressing teaching and learning, educational leadership, policy and finance, school law, and other professional and scholarly perspectives related to the topics above.

To recognize the diversity of talents and skills, JTWSE also solicits professional and scholarly perspectives as well as creative works that promote the journal's purpose. Creative works include poetry and artwork.

Submissions must be in APA, 7th edition format prior to being sent to a reviewer.

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Manuscripts should follow the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association 7th Edition. The typical article submission is equivalent to 5 to 15 pages single-spaced.

If selected, you may be asked to revise and re-submit. It is the responsibility of the author to adhere to deadlines provided at that time. Please be sure to carefully read all guidelines and prepare accordingly prior to submission.

#### Document Preparation

Your manuscript/submission should consist of the following:

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- Abstract – Place on a separate sheet. The title should be placed at the top of the page. The text following should be no longer than 200 words and should summarize the purpose, methodology, and findings briefly.
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- Use 12-point Times New Roman font
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- One-inch margins
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