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Woman Leader of the Year Award

Dr. Mary Kellner

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Maya Smart



Maya Payne Smart helps parents nurture, teach, and advocate for children on the road to reading. Her book, “Reading for Our Lives: A Literacy Action Plan from Birth to Six,” is forthcoming from Avery/Penguin Random House. Her website, MayaSmart.com, publishes new book lists, literacy activities, and other free family resources weekly to help parents play their dual roles as first teachers and educational advocates. She holds a master’s degree in journalism from the Medill School at Northwestern University and a bachelor’s in social studies with honors from Harvard University. She serves as affiliated faculty in Educational Policy and Leadership in the College of Education at Marquette University.

2022 LINDA T. MELLOWES WOMAN LEADER OF THE YEAR

Dr. Mary Kellner



Mary Kellner is committed to helping address the achievement gap that Milwaukee’s children are facing in addition to some of the other disparities that exist in the community. Mary spent her career as an elementary school teacher and an elementary guidance counselor. For over 25 years, she has volunteered at numerous nonprofit organizations such as Next Door, UW Milwaukee Foundation, The Nehemiah Project, Schools That Can Milwaukee, City Forward Collective, Pathways High, and The I Have A Dream program. She was a trustee for the Faye McBeath Foundation for 10 years and is a trustee of the Cardinal Stritch board. She also spends considerable time working with the Kelben Foundation, which has funded hundreds of scholarships for needy high school seniors, endowments for professorships, and many other educational and health initiatives.

Mary holds a bachelor’s degree in elementary education, a master’s degree in guidance and counseling, and a Doctor of Education degree. She has been married to her college sweetheart, Ted, for 52 years and has three grown children and five grandchildren.

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