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Be a Legacy Teacher

Five Purpose-Filled Pathways to Inspire Late-Career and Retiring Educators

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For educators, teaching is more than just a job; it's a part of who they are. But when the time comes to start thinking about leaving the classroom, many are left asking, What's next? Retirement doesn't have to mean stepping away from the impact you've made or the wisdom you've gained. Be a Legacy Teacher provides a roadmap to help retiring teachers—and those thinking about retirement—transition into a fulfilling new phase of life while continuing to contribute to the betterment of education.

This inspiring and beautifully designed guide walks educators through five meaningful pathways to remain connected to their passion and community. Whether through mentorship, teaching in unconventional settings, writing, consulting, or influencing through community engagement, retiring educators will discover ways to create their own lasting legacy.

Designed to help retiring or late-career teachers explore practical ways in which they can move their love of teaching beyond the classroom, this book includes:

- Creative and actionable strategies to help retired teachers channel their knowledge and skills into impactful opportunities
- Journal prompts for reflection on personal goals, values, and next steps as you transition into retirement
- Stories and advice from experienced Legacy Teachers, offering ideas and inspiration from their real-life journeys
- A customizable Legacy Teacher Action Plan to transform your retirement goals into a meaningful reality

Whether you're planning your next chapter or already retired, *Be a Legacy Teacher* empowers you to honor your career and build upon your legacy of great teaching. Rediscover your purpose, support the next generation of educators, and continue to make a difference in your community.

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