Carol Crawford began her career at Bridgeport Middle School as assistant principal in 2003 and became principal just one year later. Under her tenure, Bridgeport was recognized as a West Virginia School of Excellence in 2006 and 2011, named a West Virginia Exemplary school for nine of the past ten years, and received a National Blue Ribbon School award in 2012, the same year Crawford received the West Virginia Middle School Principal of the Year award. In 2012, Bridgeport also recorded its strongest achievement scores in both math and reading. These accomplishments reflect the hard work and dedication to excellence of the entire school community, setting high standards for all students. One of Crawford’s most significant accomplishments was her nomination as a mentor and trainer for new administrators. Working on behalf of the West Virginia Center for Professional Development, she provides guidance at a year-long Leadership Academy and recently had the opportunity to provide sessions on school safety planning. In addition, Bridgeport served as a demonstration school for a new evaluation system. Crawford is Vice President of the Harrison County Principals Association and has Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in Elementary Education and a Master’s in Educational Leadership from West Virginia University.