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Paula Woods currently serves as an educational consultant for the State Support Team- Region 3. The core work of the SST is: 1.) to build regional capacity for implementation of the Ohio Improvement Process (OIP) and (2.) serve as resource persons to address issues of special education compliance and improvement of results for students with disabilities. The SST provides technical assistance and professional development to meet the needs of all district and community schools within the region.

Prior to joining the ESC, Paula was a special educator in the Cleveland Municipal Schools. She started her career in special education as a teacher of the deaf; she later worked as a consultant teacher, Manager of Low Incidence Programs and Assessment Clinics, and Director of Special Education Programs. Paula ended her career in Cleveland as the Executive Director for Special and Gifted Education – at the time, the largest special education division in the state, providing programming and support services for over 12,000 students.

Paula is a lifelong resident of the Cleveland area. She enjoys all that this wonderful region has to offer – a great lake, art, music, theater, professional sports, ethnic restaurants, and a great park system.