Biographical Sketch

Dr. Todd Roberts was appointed chancellor at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics (NCSSM) in August 2010. NCSSM was the first school of its kind in the world, a public residential high school where students study a specialized curriculum emphasizing science and mathematics. Annually NCSSM serves 680 11th and 12th grade students from across North Carolina in its residential program and an additional 800 students from across the state through its distance education programs. NCSSM also provides science and math enrichment opportunities for K-12 students across the state each year, along with providing course content and professional development for teachers throughout North Carolina.

Under Dr. Roberts’ leadership, NCSSM engaged stakeholders on campus and across the state and nation in a collaborative planning process to develop a five-year Strategic Plan for the school. The Strategic Plan expands NCSSM’s mission to provide academically talented students across North Carolina with innovative educational opportunities in science, mathematics, engineering, technology and research that prepare them to become leaders and innovators in STEM fields. The Strategic Plan also expands the school’s commitment to improve educational opportunities for students and educators from across North Carolina through distance education and extended programs.

Prior to being named Chancellor at NCSSM, Dr. Roberts served for four years as superintendent of the 16,500-student Ann Arbor Public Schools in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dr. Roberts was named the Michigan Region 8 Superintendent of the Year in 2009. Prior to his tenure in Ann Arbor, Dr. Roberts was Deputy Superintendent for Educational Services and a principal in the Birmingham Public Schools in Birmingham, Michigan. Roberts began his career in the Durham Public Schools in Durham, North Carolina, where he was a high school teacher and elementary school principal.

A Durham native, Dr. Roberts holds a BA from Duke University and his master’s and doctoral degrees from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Dr. Roberts is married to Greenville, N.C., native Dr. Arleen Song. They have four children.