

Virginia Merrifield (Board Member)

Virginia (Ginny) Merrifield is the Executive Director of Gary and Mary West Foundation, a private family foundation whose mission is to develop greater opportunity, lasting independence, and a path to a better way of life for younger and older Americans alike.



Ginny's distinguished work in education has been recognized on the state and local level. Her commitment to excellence in education led Ginny to co-found the Pacific Ridge School in Carlsbad, California ten years ago.

Additionally, in 2000, Ginny and her husband, Marshall Merrifield, founded Playground Partners, a non-profit organization, now run by the Magdalena Ecke YMCA, which provides recess curriculum for public schools focused on sportsmanship, fair play and bullying reduction.