

Gretchen Fletcher **Fifth Grade Teacher**



Degree(s): B.A., graduated magna cum laude from University of Miami with a major in English; post graduate courses taken at Bard College, Manhattanville College, Sarah Lawrence, University of New Mexico, and Keene State College, New Hampshire

Certifications:

Florida State Teaching Certificate in the area of English, grades 6-12

Total years at CCS: 21 years

Total years experience: 27 years, at Miami Senior High School, Ft. Lauderdale High School, and Ft. Lauderdale Winter School

Honors, Awards, Accomplishments:

- Listed in Who's Who in American Education
- Served as a presenter at FCIS Conference
- Member of Phi Theta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and Delta Theta Mu honorary fraternities
- Awarded Honorable Mention in Florida Individual Artists Fellowship
- Served as a writing workshop leader for Florida Center for the Book, an affiliate of the Library of Congress
- Published travel articles and personal essays in magazines and newspapers including South Florida Sun-Sentinel, Miami Herald, and Prevention Magazine
- Published award winning poetry in numerous literary journals, anthologies, and online
- Published a collection of poetry with Finishing Line Press
- Traveled for four years in Europe and Caribbean as a scriptwriter for travel videos for American Express and major hotel chains
- Retired from teaching for 25 years to raise two sons
- Married for 48 years and mother of two sons ages 45 and 34