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### Lorraine Husum Allen

Lorraine Husum Allen has been the Director of the Homeless Education for the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) since January 2007. She also supervised the Title I, Part D Neglected and Delinquent Program from April 2007-January 2008. Prior to assuming these duties, she served as the Director of the Office of Safe and Healthy Schools. Her responsibilities included overseeing the Safe and Drug-Free School Program, school-wide discipline initiatives and data collection and reporting, school safety and security initiatives, and School Emergency Management Planning activities. From March 2004-June 2006, she also was the administrator over the Coordinated School Health Program. Ms. Allen has worked in a variety of positions and areas for the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) and the State University System of Florida for over 25 years.

Ms. Allen has served on numerous taskforces, committees, councils, and coalitions including the Head Start State Advisory Committee, Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers, Florida Coalition for the Homeless, Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancement and Leadership Through Alliances (DELTA) Statewide Steering Committee, National Center for Homeless Education Data Collection Networking Group, Florida Injury Prevention Advisory Council, Florida Substance Abuse Prevention Advisory Council, Statewide Epidemiology Workgroup, School Health and Education Consortium, Florida State Adolescent Treatment Coordination Taskforce Needs Assessment Sub-Committee, Florida Safe Kids Advisory Board, Safe and Drug-free Schools Quality Data Management Advisory Council, North Florida Hate Crimes Taskforce Working Group, Florida Youth Substance Abuse Prevention Initiative Advisory Council, National Network for Safe and Drug-free Schools and Communities, National Network of School Safety Center Directors, FDOE Interagency Advisory Committee for School Emergency Management Plans, Interagency Workgroup on the Florida Youth Survey, FDOE Florida State Employees' Charitable Campaign Committee, and the Florida Interagency Family Involvement Task Force. She also served on the Buck Lake Elementary School Advisory Council and Lincoln High School Advisory Council and was a mentor at Caroline Brevard Elementary School.

Ms. Allen has a Master's degree in Public Administration from the Florida State University as well as a B.S. in Government and a B.A. in Spanish. She is originally from the Panama Canal Zone, and currently resides in Tallahassee, Florida.

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