## Jeannie Allen Biography

Jeannie currently serves as the Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education (ADECE) Director of Innovative Projects and Assessment. She brings experience to her position as a former classroom teacher, adjunct instructor, and a ADECE First-Class Pre-K Coach. She served on the board of a preschool as well as participated in an ESL collaborative mission effort at the Ciudad de Angles Orphanage in Cozumel, Mexico. Jeannie's accomplishments include the Pioneer in Education Award from Character at Heart, Alabama PTA Outstanding Teacher, and the 2017-2018 Sweet 16 finalist for the State of Alabama District 5 Teacher of the Year. Currently Jeannie manages the Alabama First Class Pre-K assessment tool and directs the Alabama Integrated Approach to Early Learning P3 project. She coordinates the Alabama Standards for Early Learning and Development (ASELD) revision project as well as the Alabama WIDA Early Years efforts.