



Mary McGlinchey

A committed and dedicated educator, Mary McGlinchey continues to apply the hands-on experience of 28 years as a classroom teacher in the Blue Ribbon recognized K-12 Kettle Moraine School System. Though retired, she continues to substitute-teach, tutor children with special needs, and support teachers in her school district.

Mary has advanced her own education throughout her career. She earned her Master's Degree in Education from the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater. In 2001 she became the first teacher in the Kettle Moraine district to achieve National Board Certification. With a special interest in understanding the brain and how the brain allows children to learn, she has participated in a number of seminars with Susan Kovalik, an acknowledged leader in understanding brain development in children and founder of The Center for Better Learning. During her career Mary has also tutored special-needs children and worked in curriculum development in the Kettle Moraine System. In 1998 she was voted Teacher of the Year by fellow staff members and administrators – only the second teacher in the district to be so honored. A key belief held by Mary is that all children can learn. She believes our challenge is to find and use the techniques that motivate them to learn.

Mary and her husband, Mark, live in Delafield.



Karla Mullen

Karla Mullen taught high school English and history for nearly 20 years. She was the first high school language arts teacher in Wisconsin to be certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. A Kohl Fellow, she has received many teaching awards, including the Darcy Foundation Excellence in Teaching Award, the Lawrence University Outstanding Teaching in Wisconsin Award, the 2000 Governor's Humanities Award, and the WCTELA Lucile Pooley Award. She was an invited presenter at the NCTE national convention speaking on the topic of using technology in the English classroom to link urban and rural schools to address racial stereotypes and to participate in shared literature study.

Upon retirement, Karla directed a PI-34 License Renewal Center, and she has worked as a consultant to school districts in the development and implementation of new teacher mentoring programs, PI-34 licensure, curriculum development, and support of teachers seeking National Certification.

She served for eight years on the Wisconsin Humanities Council, serving as chair for two years. She also served on the Wisconsin Poet Laureate Commission.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master of Education degree from Carroll College.

Karla and her husband, Bill Mullen, live in Watertown.



Katie Schultz Stout

Katie Schultz Stout has spent 40 years as an educator in the classroom, at the college level, and with the State Department of Public Instruction and the Wisconsin Education Association Council. Much of that time has been spent furthering the professional development and licensure of teachers. In addition she has taught sewing to adults and adolescents for seven years. She is a charter member of the Sewing Machine Project Board and served as its first president. Her passion for learning and contributing to those in need motivates her activities as a “semi-retired educator” these days.