



## **Karen Creech**

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Mrs. Creech began teaching in 1987 in Nash/Rocky Mount Schools. In 1995, she became an Educator-on-Loan for the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (DPI). For the last 10 years, Mrs. Creech has worked in the Instructional Technology Division. She has traveled across the state providing professional development to K-12

teachers on the integration of technology, project-based learning, and Web Quest development. While at DPI, Mrs. Creech co-developed eBistro, (<http://www.ebistro.org>) a free online digital portfolio for teachers that addresses the integration of technology, Becoming a Modern Day Pirate: Using GeoCaching to Understand Community, Project-Based Learning and Emerging Technology, (<http://www.ncwiseowl.org/impact/ncgeocache/>) a project that shows teachers how to integrate the use of GPS devices across the curriculum, and co-developed the Impact for Teachers Web site - <http://www.ncwiseowl.org/kscope/impact/>. Mrs. Creech worked with the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) to develop the criteria for evaluating online courses - and evaluated online courses for the Research and Development Section at DPI. In October 2007, Mrs. Creech began work on loan with the North Carolina Virtual Public School. In April 2008, Mrs. Creech was named as a Curriculum and Instruction, Division Director at NCVPS.

In her current duties as Curriculum and Instruction Division Director, she is responsible for coordinating all issues related to teachers, Research Development and Innovation (RDI), Department Chairs, processes for English I & Algebra I, managing the "High 5 Process" for all elective course development, serves on SREB/AT&T National Grant initiative, oversees Web 2.0 processes for course design, and handles consistent communication processes across divisions.

Mrs. Creech holds a BA Degree in Elementary Education from Atlantic Christian College, a Master of Education Degree Curriculum and Instruction, Instructional Technologist Specialist from North Carolina State University and holds a Carolina Online Teachers (COLT) Certification for developing and facilitating online courses from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Education.