



# Carol Thompson

I have been involved in education since 1985 when I graduated from college with a B.S. in Exercise and Health Science. After college graduation, I began teaching at several private schools in Southern California. Realizing that a teaching credential would be beneficial, I attended UCSD in 1990 and obtained a multiple subjects clear teaching credential. I then home schooled my own children in their early elementary years. When I was forced back to work full time, I moved back to Wisconsin where I subbed in the public system, earned a Wisconsin teaching license, and taught 5th grade for 6 years. In 2007, I was one of the top 100 teachers in the state of Wisconsin and received the Herb Kohl Educational Fellowship award for innovation in education and the ability to inspire the love of learning. After moving back to California in 2007, I obtained my CLAD certification while being a site sub at Conway Elementary School in Escondido. In 2008 I have gained the privilege of working here at GSDA.

I am delighted to be working again with home school families. I believe so strongly that parents are to be the primary educators of their children. It is both a responsibility and a privilege to aid parents in educating their treasures, our future leaders.

Here at GSDA I teach hands-on Earth Science and Math to our middle school age children. I have a passion for math and instilling children with a love of numbers and number sense. I also love to encourage children to interact and relate with literature. Great literature teaches so much.

Home Life: I am a busy mother of three teenagers at this writing. They are all actively involved in both school and church activities where I am also active. I am enjoying these years as much as I did the young years, though it has many challenges. It is both exciting and scary to see one's children become young adults.