

Carol Allen, PhD.

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Professional Overview: Dr. Carol Allen, originally from Elton, Louisiana, has an extensive background in education, having served as a teacher, principal, university professor, and superintendent for over 25 years. Carol's career took an international turn when she moved to Paris, France, where she lived and contributed to the educational and literary fields for 23 years.



Literary Contributions: While in France, Carol founded and directed the Paris Writers' Workshop. She is the author of three books: *Plain Weird and Other Weird and Wacky Poems* (Dilletante Press, 1996), *They Only Laughed Later: Tales of Women on the Move* (EuroPublic Press, 1997), and *Leah Chase: Listen, I Say Like This* (Pelican Publishing Company, 2002). Carol has also published numerous freelance articles and taught Writing for Children at Tulane University. Her latest book, *A Long Way from the Strawberry Patch: The Life of Leah Chase*, was published by Pelican/Arcadia Publishing in 2020, targeting younger readers.

Current Role: Carol provides consulting services to the Good Shepherd School and the University of Holy Cross, leveraging her vast experience in educational administration and curriculum development.

Personal Life: Carol is a proud mother and grandmother with one daughter and two granddaughters residing in British Columbia, Canada.