

## Biography of Carol McNeil



**Carol McNeil, APCAAA Secretary and Webmaster, has lived in Anchorage since 1974. She has over 25 years with the Anchorage School District, in various occupations from School Secretary to her current position as Online Learning Teacher and School Technology Coordinator. Her love of computer technologies began when her oldest son began basic computer programming in the early 1980's. Since that time, both her professional and personal lives have centered on cutting edge technologies.**

**Ms. McNeil has Bachelors degrees in History and Education, and a Master's in Educational Technology. She is currently employed at McLaughlin Secondary School, located in McLaughlin Youth Center, a juvenile detention center. Ms. McNeil enjoys the challenge of working with highly at-risk students who have little formal education experience. She believes that learning should be fun and challenge the senses through technology integration. She believes that students can academically succeed, and that success increases self-esteem. Giving students a glimpse of a more positive future may turn them from a life of crime and assist them in becoming productive citizens of the 21st century.**

**Prior to working at McLaughlin, she taught Criminology for several years at Bartlett High School. It was during this time that she became involved in the *Anchorage Police Department's* first Citizen Police Academy in 2001. She is one of the founding members of its Alumni Association.**