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**Gretchen Ames, CPAC Secretary**

Gretchen Ames has worked in and studied education systems and early childhood for over twenty years. She has worked in many roles, including: preschool teacher, child care center director, subsidy administrator, grassroots organizer, program officer, evaluation & support program director, consultant and lecturer. She worked in Long Island, New York; Nashville, Tennessee; Boston and Cambridge Massachusetts before relocating to San Francisco in 2004. She holds B.A. with a concentration in Education and Conflict Resolution from Hampshire College, a M.A. Leadership Program in Early Education Childhood and an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership both from Mills College. Gretchen believes passionately in social justice and educational equity and is a life-long advocate for high quality teaching and learning environments for children and educators. She is proud to represent District 5 at CPAC.

