

Dr. Karen Burke

Dr. Karen Burke, *Executive Director of Academic Planning* at Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, has been in education for over 30 years and has served students in various capacities including: as a classroom teacher, principal, Title I Director, NCLB Coordinator, Curriculum Director and most recently as an Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Maine. Additionally, she served as a Distinguished Educator for the Maine State Department of Education. Currently, she is an adjunct professor at Nova Southeastern University in Florida working with graduate students. Additionally, she taught undergraduate and graduate courses at Saint Joseph's College in Maine for 23 years. Dr. Burke received her degree in Elementary Education and Teacher of Spanish from The College of New Jersey, her two masters from the University of Southern Maine (one with a concentration in reading and the other with a concentration in mathematics), her Certificate of Advanced Study for Administration from The University of Maine in Orono, and her doctorate from Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Burke was the recipient of the Maine ASCD Educational Leader of the Year Award, Maine's Literacy Award and Nova Southeastern Noreen Webber Child and Youth Studies Honor Award.