



## **Patricia Bradley Ewen, DoDEA**

**Patricia Ewen** is the Education Policy Advisor for the Partnership and Resources Division within the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA). In this role, Patty is responsible for supporting the partnership and outreach efforts of DoDEA through collaboration with national partners and advocacy groups, state education agencies and the Compact Commission. She contributes content, training and research to support the mission of responsiveness and smooth transitions for military connected students by applying practical awareness and technical knowledge of the laws, policies, regulations and guidance for K-12 education nationwide; assessing impact of policy changes and providing consideration for alternate pathways and solutions. Patty's work reaches school systems that enroll military-connected students, globally.

A child development specialist through training, Patty worked in every portal that children travel before entering public school (medically fragile; infant/toddler; pre-school; family support for parenting teenagers, special education intervention; and family, small program and large center based child care). Her idea was to understand the nuances of child development based on diverse environments. She has taught students at every level, from infants through to graduate students and was a Parent Educator and curriculum developer for Cornell University. She has taught in K-12 public education in NH, MD, CT, and NY.