THE OUT-OF-DOOR ACADEMY
NEW FACULTY AND STAFF FOR 2009-2010

Carrie Collins - Athletic Trainer

Carrie graduated from Out-of-Door in our first graduating Class of 1999. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Athletic Training and a Masters Degree in Public Health from the University of South Florida. She spent three years at Berkeley Preparatory School in Tampa as their Assistant Athletic Trainer and subsequently worked in Gainesville in an orthopedic clinic as an Exercise Physiologist.

Julio Cruz - Network Administrator and Head Volleyball Coach

Julio joined the technology department last spring and comes to Out-of-Door with over 20 years of experience in the information technology field. He is a 10 year veteran of the US Army and served in the Gulf War providing communications support. He has worked in IT for the Department of Justice for the FBI and DEA. Most recently he has worked as an independent contractor for Gevity Human Resources. Julio also has extensive experience coaching volleyball and will serve as our Head Volleyball Coach.

Karen O'Donnell - Head of Lower School

Karen holds a B.A. degree in Elementary and Special Education from Boston College, a Master’s degree in Reading Specialization from Fitchburg State College and a Master’s degree in Educational Leadership from Columbia University. Karen grew up in the Boston area where she spent the first part of her educational career teaching grades K-5 in the public school system as a classroom teacher and reading specialist. For the past 18 years, Karen has been at Palm Beach Day School where she served as a Fourth Grade Teacher, the Director of Professional Development, Lower School Head, and Assistant Head of School.

Andi Peterson - Director of Communications and Marketing

Andi holds a B.S. in Communications, with minors in both Marketing and Kinesiology, from Dallas Baptist University. She comes to Out-of-Door from St. Mark’s School of Texas, an all-boys’ school in Dallas, where she served as the Assistant Director of Communications. Over the past six years, Andi has also coached club volleyball for girls ages 14 and under in the North Texas region.