

## HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2023

### **Gloria Myers**



Gloria Myers had a strong first career working for the American Telephone & Telegraph Company after graduating high school. She worked in various departments and went back to school in the evenings, and earned a master's degree. After 31 years of service, she retired from AT&T and began teaching. In 1989, she was hired by the Florida Department of Corrections (FDC), where she began a second career that would impact hundreds of lives. Under her leadership,

Florida's Lancaster Correctional Institution has consistently been ranked among the top institutions statewide, with its students having earned over 1,700 GEDs and 900 vocational certificates. Gloria has been instrumental in bringing outside voices to various events, including graduation, Black History Month, Women's History Month, and re-entry initiatives, which have inspired inmates and staff to set new goals for ongoing success. Her efforts in developing relationships with community resources, such as Career Source, have helped students with their transitional and re-entry needs, leading to many students receiving much-needed services following their release.

Despite the challenges in recruitment that come with the territory, she has successfully established and maintained a very cohesive group of core educators. As an educational supervisor, she has instructed, mentored, and inspired countless students and staff members, exhibiting the leadership qualities that best represent the FDC, including continuous improvement and selfless service. Gloria is an exemplary leader who has made significant contributions to the education department at Lancaster Correctional Institution and the FDC community as a whole.