

## ***Aimee Chavez***

I obtained a B.S. in Human Nutrition at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. After completing my degree I was accepted to the Dietetic Internship at the James A. Haley VA hospital in Tampa Florida. During my Dietetic Internship I received training to include the following areas; medicine, oncology, Spinal cord injury, community, pediatrics, food service and management. Upon completing my internship I took a position in Geriatrics/Long Term care at the Miami VA Medical Center. After completing a year in Miami I returned as a General Dietitian at the James A. Haley VA Hospital which I worked for 4 years. My last position at the hospital was a Spinal Cord Injury Specialty Dietitian. My family and I later moved to Minnesota for three very cold years. At the time I decided to stay at home with my children. After completing the three years in Minnesota we relocated to Pembroke Pines Florida. At that time I volunteered as a Girl Scout Leader. My daughter started her Kindergarten year at Somerset Academy when the school first opened its doors. The following year I was a substitute teacher and aimed to attain certification to teach Science. I taught Spanish and Art the following year and worked as an after school teacher while waiting for my certification. When my certification to teach science was attained I taught Life Science to 6th grade and Biology to 9th grade. For the past two years I have taught Life Science and Biology. I am currently the advisor for the National Junior Honor Society and the National Honor Society as well as Science Department Chair.