

MISSOURI ACTE 2016 AWARDS WINNERS

Outstanding Service

The Outstanding Service Award is given to recognize educators who have made the highest meritorious contributions to the improvement, promotion, development and progress of career and technical education.

This year's winners are:

Mr. Jim Bridwell
Dr. Don Claycomb
Mr. Carl Locke
Mrs. Danelle Maxwell

Certificate of Appreciation

The Certificate of Appreciation Award is given to an individual, group, or organization in recognition of the highest meritorious contribution to the improvement, promotion, development, and process of career, technical, and/or practical arts education.

This year's winners are:

**Electronic Media Production
Program of Study**
Jennifer Irwin
Missouri STEM Foundation

Recognition Award

The Missouri ACTE Recognition Award is given to those outside the field of education in recognition of the highest meritorious contribution to the improvement, promotion, development and progress of career, technical and/or practical arts education whose contributions are of statewide significance.

This year's winner is:

National Technical Honor Society

Legislative Recognition Award - Rep. Swan



Rep. Kathryn Swan
District 147 (R)
First elected: 2012
Counties: Cape Girardeau

Representative Kathy Swan is a dedicated public servant devoting her time and energy to education. First, through her long tenure as member and chair of the Coordinating Board for Higher

Education and currently, as a legislator where she serves as chair of the House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee.

Through her personal business enterprise, she knows the importance of a skilled workforce and has worked to enhance CTE through public policy.

Representative Swan worked diligently in the House to get CTE certification legislation across the finish line which will give students recognition they have earned and signify they're prepared with essential skills desired by business and industry. But she didn't stop there. Rep. Swan passed legislation this session to update statutory terminology for school counselors; promote comprehensive guidance and career counseling with parents, students and local community; establish early intervention to develop student personal plans of study to empower at-risk students to reach career and post-secondary goals; create a task force on dyslexia assessment and implementation targets; and open access to early childhood education.

As you can see Representative Swan is most deserving of the 2016 Legislative Recognition Award.



Teacher of the Year Award - Beth Beattie

Highlights from one of her student's parents ...

Driven to help students excel, Mrs. Beattie is a strong role model in Montgomery County High School and also in her community.

The passion for FCCLA and FACS Education that Mrs. Beattie holds is greater than I have witnessed with any teacher. She holds her students to a high standard that motivates their success in the classroom and beyond. The practical knowledge students gain in any FACS classroom is invaluable, but Mrs. Beattie creates a lasting impression. I am certain my daughter could still recite the FCCLA creed, and she appreciates the process of "getting dinner on the table" more from catering events.

FCCLA at Montgomery County High School has advanced dramatically since Mrs. Beattie took the position in 2011. The

chapter completely transformed, with new ideas and a stronger presence in the community and an increase in membership. Any organization from Montgomery County going to a National Competition was unheard of, but the projects that lead up to these competitions make a significant impact in the school and community. Mrs. Beattie helped this chapter become well-known but also increased the students' ability to make a difference in the community.

Mrs. Beattie's experience and education helps her students achieve at the highest levels. A teacher and advisor for over ten years now, she was born to help young adults lead and discover their potential. She guides students through becoming stronger family and community members while raising her own family. Every parent wants their child to be successful in school, and Mrs. Beattie played a major part in helping my daughter excel. My daughter is now in college and studying to become a teacher herself. I know Mrs. Beattie can continue to be a mentor for her in all areas of life.



Post-Secondary Teacher of the Year Award - Janet Barnes

Highlights from her letters of recommendation ...

Since Mrs. Barnes began her employment at Lindenwood University, she has demonstrated a ferocious appetite for seeking knowledge through participation in state and national associations. In particular, her scholarship activities have been a great asset for the School of Education at Lindenwood University.

I have known Janet for over eight years as a university colleague and faculty member under my supervision. During this time, she would consistently take one idea and, needing no further outside motivation, pursue those visionary ideas which improved what the School of Education has to offer students and alumni.

One example of her passion for learning and improving the educational landscape for the School of Education was

undertaking the program planning of a new certification program in collaboration with faculty in the School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

Mrs. Barnes has always displayed a high degree of integrity, responsibility, and purpose. In addition to her excellent scholastic accomplishments and instructional talent, Janet is an analytic and creative thinker who demonstrates self-initiative.

Mrs. Barnes constantly displayed her leadership and innovation to her students inside the classroom by introducing new and exciting technologies and teaching techniques. Outside the classroom, she is a prime example of mentorship, with a sense of caring for her students. She would often check in with her students throughout the certification/education process to ensure we were on track and still enjoying our career choices ... and her sense of caring has continued, even after we have left Lindenwood.



New Teacher of the Year Award - Baylee Burk

A few highlights of Baylee's application ...

I have always been passionate about pursuing a teaching career. When I enrolled in college, I immediately declared my major as Family Consumer Sciences (FCS) Education and I have never regretted that decision. I can truly say teaching FCS is the perfect career for me and I am passionate about my work.

In 2012, I graduated from Missouri State University with Summa Cum Laude honors and a Bachelor of Science degree in Family Consumer Sciences Education. I soon took a position in Monett, Missouri as the FCS teacher and FCCLA advisor.

My current position is the Logan-Rogersville High School FCS teacher and FCCLA Advisor. This is my third year of teaching and second year at LRHS. I had the privilege to student-teach at LRHS in 2012, so I was thrilled to come back to the school

after my previous cooperating teacher retired. This job has challenged me, with a workload consisting of six course preparations, but it is an excellent fit.

As the FCCLA advisor at LRHS, I have increased membership significantly (from 12 to nearly 60 members in just two years), attended regional and state events, and have had active participation in STAR Events, including Culinary Arts and ProStart competitions. I have developed the ProStart program at LRHS through my attendance at a Summer Institute in North Carolina (2014) and by maintaining our school catering program.

Because of my valuable experiences, I have been prepared to handle the challenges a new teacher faces. I have used FCS teachers and FCCLA advisors to network and develop instrumental relationships.

I am honored to receive the Missouri ACTE New Teacher of the Year Award.



Administrator of the Year Award - Jackie Jenkins

Highlights from her application ...

I have 21 years' experience in education, with 15 of those years in administrative and supervisory roles. Many co-workers and teachers have indicated I have found my calling as a secondary education administrator.

Early in my education career, I was a Business Technology instructor in Reeds Spring, teaching adult learners and high school students. While working for the Reeds Spring R-IV district, I won the Newcomer Award for Missouri Association for Adult Continuing and Community Education (MAACCE), and was also selected by the DESE Commissioner to serve on the statewide Adult and Community Education Advisory Committee. I was with Reeds Spring schools for 12.5 years.

My career continued at Ozarks Technical Community College (OTC) in Springfield. I was there for 7.5 years and served as

Assistant Dean, Director, and Assistant Director for Career and Technical Education. My primary focus areas while at OTC centered on high school students and working with 21 sending schools. I added Fire Science Technology as a program option for secondary students, led the technical education division on course assessments and development of action plans based on assessment results, began and sustained Missouri Reading Initiative training for technical education faculty, and strengthened the relationships with our consortium schools due to better communication.

Due to my desire to return to a K-12 school district, I have been fortunate to be the Director of Lake Career and Technical Center (LCTC) in Camdenton since July 2014. We are a Technology Centers That Work (TCTW) school where we are in the process of training all staff on Project-Based Learning.

No matter the positions I have held, I have taken the stance of "what is best for students."



Community Service Award - Deborah Shaffer

Highlights from one of her colleagues ...

Debbie ran a very popular and successful restaurant in

Pineville, MO. When she closed that business and returned to school to pursue an education degree and become a FACS teacher, I was interested in her progress, since I spent 19 years of my teaching career as a FACS teacher. I was excited when she was hired as a FACS teacher at McDonald County High School. At that time and now in my retirement, I have witnessed firsthand her growth as a professional.

McDonald County High School has a vibrant two-instructor FACS department. Debbie's teaching load has the greatest variety of classes and she has shown such creativity in engaging her students in more than a dry curriculum. Under her leadership, her FACS students reach out to learn and to serve the community around them. For example, the students

interacted with the children at a Head Start, spearheaded a book donation project for those same children, made fleece blankets and donated them, along with other items to local charities.

I could list many more service projects initiated in Debbie's classroom, but most recently a group of her students witnessed a bullying incident at lunch. They invited the victim to sit with them. Not content to stop there, they asked the principal if they could form a Bully Buster Club and campaign against school bullying. And who did they want as their sponsor? Deborah Shaffer. They identified a problem and have learned to plan and act, not just sit on the sidelines.

I believe that Deborah Shaffer serves as a role model to her students. She is living proof that when one door shuts, in her case the door to her business, you can set a goal for future success and act to reach that goal. The students and patrons of McDonald County High School are fortunate Debbie's goal was to become a FACS teacher.