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PRESS RELEASE

Delmar School District Names its 2010 "Teacher of the Year"

Congratulations to Christy Parsons, Science Teacher at Delmar Senior High School!

Delmar, DE, Monday, May 11th: The time has come to once again announce Delmar's "Teacher of the Year." Each year, Delmar School District awards three recipients; the Delmar Senior High School, Delmar Middle School, and the Delmar School District "Teacher of the Year."

Nominees must go through a vigorous nomination process with strict guidelines for involvement. The program, which is state wide, "seeks to direct the public's attention to the contributions made by all Delaware teachers." The nominees are evaluated on their dedication to their students along with the success in their teaching methods. Other factors include the admiration and respect that other teachers, administrators, and parents of students have for the nominee as well as professional development and service to the community.



Christy Parsons,
2010 "Teacher of
the Year", High
School & District

We are proud to announce Delmar School District's 2010 "Teacher of the Year," Christy Parsons. Mrs. Parsons is also awarded Delmar Senior High School's "Teacher of the Year" Award. She is now a two-time District "Teacher of the Year" winner; after winning for her first time in 2006. Mrs. Parsons is one of four High School Science teachers and is an active Key Club Advisor. The Key Club has had a major role in the Homecoming Dances by co-sponsoring as well as organizing the event. When it comes to her students, Christy Parsons says, "I believe in my heart that every student that walks in my classroom has the ability to learn, grow, and become a successful part of our world. Each child has what it takes and it's my responsibility to pull this out of them." She then goes on to state, "Teaching the content is the easy part, life lessons are extremely difficult but most important. I have completely dedicated myself to the profession of teaching science, life, and Delmar spirit. I hope that when my students see my commitment to them is 100% they will trust me and work for me and for themselves."

Mrs. Parsons will go on to be nominated for the 2010 Delaware State "Teacher of the Year" honor. The state recipient will be announced on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 in Dover, DE.

Delmar School District honored Lori Smith with the Delmar Middle School's 2010 "Teacher of the Year" award. Mrs. Smith is Delmar Middle School's Math Resource Teacher. Her teaching motto is "I don't care what you know, until you know how much I care." She says, "While the math curriculum is important to me, I have come to realize that unless I spend time connecting with students and investing in them, I will have a difficult time nurturing them to have a life long attitude for the love of math."



Lori Smith, 2010
"Teacher of the Year,"
Middle School

To set up appointments to interview or photograph Mrs. Parsons or Mrs. Smith, please contact Kristen Vernon at the Delmar School District Office.

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