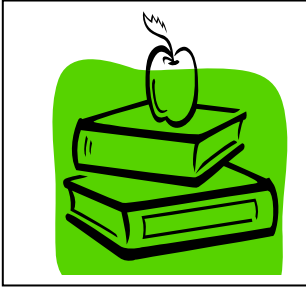


MIT & M.Ed. CANDIDATES and ALUMNI EXAMPLES OF RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS



Nicola Wethall, M. Ed. 2011, won the 2010 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics Teaching. She chose to attend the M.Ed. Program at Evergreen.

Tara Bogdon, MiT 2010, received attention from *The Olympian* on May 24, 2010, for her innovative, service oriented math lesson.

Burke Anderson, Teacher Education 1989, was presented “The 2010 Innovator” – Changes Making a Difference Award from the Olympia School District.

Sarah Applegate, MIT 1995, was awarded a Fulbright Distinguished Educator Award to study school libraries and information literacy instruction in Finland in 2011.

Brian Eggleston, MiT 2005, of Washougal High School was named 2010 Teacher of the Year. He teaches Spanish and is the Foreign Language Department Chair.

Amada Lang, MiT 2005, of Horizons Elementary in Lacey was named 2010 Teacher of the Year for her school. She is an art specialist and a recent project of hers, in which students made self-portraits out of recycled materials, was covered by *The Olympian*.

Jeremiah Tuckett, MiT 2005, was named 2010 Teacher of the Year at South Sound High School in Lacey, where he teaches science.

Sally Jamison, MiT 2007, teaches English at Chinook Middle School in Lacey. She was named 2010 Teacher of the Year for her school, and stated, “I owe much of the congratulations for Teacher of the Year to MiT.”

Lisa Lamoreaux, M. Ed. 2010, was named 2010 Teacher of the Year at River Ridge High School in Lacey, where she teaches special education.

Isis Albert, MiT 2001, was named Washington State Bilingual Educator of the Year by the Washington Association of Bilingual Education. She teaches at Evergreen Elementary School in Shelton.

Katie Baydo-Reed, MiT 2006, who teaches at Olympic View Elementary in Lacey, was published in a recent issue of *Rethinking Schools* magazine. Her article, entitled “Learning about the Un-Fairgrounds,” is about teaching the history of the Puyallup fairgrounds, which is the site of the Japanese internment camp during WWII.

Ashley Rupp, MiT 2000, won the 2010 Dick Williams Award, which recognizes outstanding contributions to multiculturalism and diversity in the North Thurston Public Schools. It is the highest award the district offers for diversity education.

Jeff Reagan, MiT 1999, of Timberline High School in Lacey, and his broadcasting students recently received an honorable mention for their broadcast news show at the 2010 Washington Journalism Education Association competition.

Julie Anderson, MiT 2007, and her colleague Joel Carlson have founded Be Academy, a school in Portland based on the idea that students deserve one-on-one personalized support and instruction.

Bec Giffen, MiT 2009, a 6th grade teacher at Meadows Elementary in Lacey, and a couple of her fellow teachers received the “Kids Are Growing” grant from the Washington State Potato Commission in 2010.

Adeena Chamberlain, MiT 2007, presented an art unit on Ray and Charles Eames and their house of

cards at the 2009 **Artstime, All the Time** conference.

Daniel Thrall, MiT 2003, was named 2009 Teacher of the Year for his school, Mountain View High School, Arizona.

Emily Coulter, MiT 2007, helped her students' reading scores improve so significantly in 2009 that the principal sent her to Columbia University for a special summer program to prepare Ms. Coulter for a leadership position in reading in her school.

Todd Sessoms, MiT 2007, was a presenter at the 2009 Northwest Annual Teaching for Social Justice Conference. He was a recipient of a Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History grant in April 2008. He received an all-expenses paid trip to Cambridge University to participate in a Summer Seminar on the African American Civil Rights Movement.

Lauri Boren, MiT 1994, coached three teams of her 5th grade science students from B.F. Day Elementary in Seattle who were selected to participate in the 2008 National Science foundation Sally Ride TOY Challenge. One team won an honorable mention in design; another team won an honorable mention in engineering.

Laura Handy, MiT 2005, was recognized as one of six winners of the 2008 Teachers Who Make a Difference Award, presented by Sylvan Learning Center and King 5 Television. It was also noted that after a year of working with Ms Handy, 76% of a group of students who had not met the WASL reading standard were successful in meeting standard.

Amada Lang, MiT 2005 and **Aimee Leggett**, MiT 2006, received the Outstanding New Art Educators of the Year award in 2007 from the Washington Art Education Association.

Audrey Sharp, MiT 2005, received the Outstanding Young Art Educator Teacher of the Year award in 2006 from the Washington Art Education Association.

Cecily Schmidt, MiT 2004, was featured in a 2006 ABC news broadcast about approaches that reduce high school drop out rates.

Kathy Miller, MiT 2003, and **Kate Trafton**, MiT 2003, participated in the 2003 National Association for Multicultural Education International Conference in Seattle. They presented their topic, "Multicultural Math and Science: Theory and Guidelines for Practice" to a packed audience of educational professionals.

Darice Johnson, MiT 1996, received the 2003 KCTS 9 Golden Apple Award for epitomizing excellence in education.

Betty Williams, MiT 1996, won the 2001 Milken Award in for furthering excellence in education.

Joanne Browne, MiT 1998, coordinated twenty 7th, 8th, and 9th grade teams who competed in the Lexus Environmental Challenge. Six of those teams won \$3000 regional awards, and then competed in the world challenge. Two seventh and one ninth grade team won first place prizes of \$50,000 each.

Ervanna Little Eagle, MiT 2004, was recognized by the Marysville School District for her work in revising the social studies curriculum to include the histories of local tribes.

Wayne Au, MiT 1996, was a member of the editorial Board for *Rethinking Schools*.

Gordon Quinlan, MiT 2004, was recognized by the Sunnyside Grange for changing the quality of support for students with disabilities in his high school.