



# Partners In Education

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## PARTNERS IN EDUCATION NAMES 2011 TEACHERS OF DISTINCTION

Green Bay, WI (Feb. 22, 2011) – Partners in Education, a program of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, is pleased to announce the Golden Apple Awards Teachers of Distinction for 2011.

### Individual Teachers of Distinction:

Jennifer Agamaite—Ashwaubenon High  
Dana Austin—Westwood Elementary (West De Pere)  
Mark Bonetti—Preble High (Green Bay)  
Michelle Bredael—Dickinson Elementary (De Pere)  
Tracey Brewczynski—Altmayer Elementary (De Pere)  
Nancy Bristol—Preble High (Green Bay)  
Lucy Bunker—Wilder Elementary (Green Bay)  
Jackie Crown—St. Bernard  
Larry DeCleene—Doty Elementary (Green Bay)  
Deborah Dolata—Pulaski Schools  
Amy Dvorak-Kupsh—Valley View Elementary (Ashwaubenon)  
Kevin Flogel—Preble High (Green Bay)  
Charles Frisk—Luxemburg-Casco High  
Rebecca Garner—Prince of Peace  
Kathleen Gerds—Pulaski High  
Christie Guerra—Chappell Elementary (Green Bay)  
Katie Grassel—Seymour High  
Harley Griesbach—Pulaski High  
Janice Huhtala—Howe Elementary (Green Bay)  
Joel Jarock—Pulaski High  
Lisa Kasten—Pioneer Elementary (Ashwaubenon)  
Sheila Kohl—West De Pere Middle  
Sarah Kohls—Pulaski Middle  
Paula Laundrie—Sullivan Elementary (Green Bay)  
Scott McPherson—Denmark Elementary  
Liz Moehr—Pulaski High  
Katie Newkirk—Chappell Elementary (Green Bay)  
Kim Noe—Pulaski High  
Staci Perry—Chappell Elementary (Green Bay)

Dennis Rohr—Seymour High  
Connie Rueckert—Franklin Middle (Green Bay)  
Pamela Sands—Hemlock Creek Elementary (West De Pere)  
Michael Slowinski—West De Pere High  
Sarah Spitzer—Fairview Elementary (Pulaski)  
Melissa Swan—Eisenhower Elementary (Green Bay)  
Sue Tegen—Howard Elementary (Howard-Suamico)  
Janet Vraney—Washington Middle (Green Bay)  
Sherry Zika—Oneida Nation Elementary

#### Teams of Distinction

Bay View Middle TRIBES Science Team (Howard-Suamico)  
Amy Destache, Jennifer Selissen

Forest Glen Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Team (Howard-Suamico)  
Stephanie Faccio, Erica Kentop, Janette Shipley, Megan Zavernik

Hemlock Creek Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Team (West De Pere)  
Andrea Dernbach, Adam Janquart, Brenda May, Ryan Ourada, Emily Socha

Heritage Elementary FRoG Team (De Pere)  
Angela Blum, Laura DeGuelle, Gretchen Marx, Alissa Roe, Peggy Ross, Amy Wendricks

Howard-Suamico 5-12 Instrumental Music Team  
Luther Appel, Tim Johnson, Geoff Stenson, Andy Zipperer, Sue Zipperer

Meadowbrook Elementary Special Education Team (Howard-Suamico)  
Sarah Awe, Julaine Hale, Sarah VanBoxtel

The purpose of the Partners in Education Golden Apple Awards is to improve community awareness of the quality of education in the Greater Green Bay Area by recognizing and rewarding high standards of professionalism, leadership, and innovation in teaching. Selection criteria for the Golden Apple Awards are based on the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. In the first round of the selection process, all applications are read anonymously for demonstrated commitment to students, knowledge of subject matter, and learning environments that stimulate student interest in learning. The top applicants in this first round are the 2011 Teachers of Distinction.

Applications of the Teachers of Distinction are read in the second round of the selection process for the same criteria with the added criteria of contributing to continuous improvement of their school, utilizing local resources, assessing student progress while using data to improve



teaching practices, and reflecting upon professional theory. The top applicants in this round are scheduled for personal interviews with a panel of judges.

Teachers of Distinction are recognized in the media and are the guests of Partners in Education members at the April 20 Golden Apple Awards Dinner. The seven recipients (individuals and/or teams) selected by the panel of judges will be announced on March 16 by Philip Flynn, Honorary Golden Apple Chairperson, along with PIE staff and WLUK camera crew with a surprise visit to recipient classrooms. The 2011 Golden Apple Award recipients are showcased in the April 20 Golden Apple Awards Program televised on WLUK FOX 11 from 9-10 p.m.

The Golden Apple Awards Dinner is the only annual fund-raiser for Partners in Education programming in the 10 area school districts. Contact Partners in Education for information on programming and to purchase tables and/or tickets to the event at 437-8704.

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Established in 1882, the mission of the Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce is to serve as the focal point of economic and community development. Chamber programs include Advance, Partners in Education, Leadership Green Bay, Brown County Teen Leadership, Current Young Professionals Network, Good Government Council and the International Business Development Consortium. For more information, call 920.437.8704 or visit [titletown.org](http://titletown.org).

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