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WCS Announces Outstanding Teacher of the Year Recipients for 2023; Moore named Macomb County High School Teacher of the Year

Warren, MI – Warren Consolidated Schools recently named **Michelle Clarke, Matthew Mutschler** and **Shawn Moore** as the district’s Outstanding Teacher of the Year recipients for 2023.

Nominated teachers are evaluated in ten categories such as teaching style, motivational expertise, life-long learner, passion, and community focus.

“Michelle, Matthew, and Shawn’s remarkable dedication to our district, the high standards they set for themselves, and their commitment to ensuring that all students have the opportunity to learn is remarkable,” Chief Academic Officer David Meengs said. “Their recognition serves as a reminder that Warren Consolidated Schools is a place where great things happen every day.”

Michelle Clarke is a 2nd grade teacher at Holden Elementary. She has been with Warren Consolidated Schools for the past 13 years. She is also a 2003 graduate of the district, having attended Cousino High School.

“I feel honored to be chosen among the many incredible colleagues I have worked with over the years in WCS,” Clarke said.

Clarke said her favorite thing about being a teacher is seeing growth in her students over time. She said growth isn’t solely academic – it can be watching a student come out of his/her shell, gain ability to manage emotions, mindset shifts, confidence, peer relations, and so much more.

Clarke received her bachelor’s degree from the University of Michigan Dearborn and master’s degree from Saginaw Valley State University.

Matthew Mutschler teaches 7th grade World History and 8th grade US History at Middle School Visual and Performing Arts at Butcher Educational Center. He has taught in the district for the past 26 years.

“I feel honored to be named the WCS middle school teacher of the year,” Mutschler said. During my time in the WCS middle schools, I have come to know just how many excellent, professional, and dedicated people teach and inspire their students every day.”

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Mutschler said there is so much he loves about the teaching profession. He enjoys working with other teachers who inspire him daily. He values the opportunity to bring enthusiasm into his classroom and to turn that into a positive learning experience for his students.

Mutschler earned his bachelor's degree at Wayne State University and his master's degree from the University of Michigan Dearborn.

Shawn Moore teaches 10th grade Functions, Statistics, and Trigonometry, and 12th grade AP Calculus at the Macomb Mathematics Science Technology Center at Butcher Educational Center. He has been with the district for the past 6 years.

“Being named WCS Teacher of the Year is truly an honor,” Moore said. “I am proud to represent MMSTC, Butcher Educational Center, and WCS in such a positive way. However, I owe a great deal of gratitude to the mentors, colleagues, students, and families who have been on this journey with me; without whom I could not have accomplished what I do on a daily basis.”

Moore says being a teacher is such a rewarding role. He said he can't imagine not working with the amazing students he has the privilege teaching each day. Moore says he tries to help his students be better every day, and he truly believes that his students make him better every day as well.

Moore earned a bachelor's degree from Oakland University and a master's degree Eastern Michigan University.

In addition to being named Warren Consolidated Schools Teacher of the Year, Moore was named the Macomb Intermediate School District High School Teacher of the Year. Each year the MISD recognizes an outstanding teacher countywide at the elementary, middle school and high school levels.

Michelle Clarke, Matthew Mutschler and Shawn Moore will be honored at the Macomb Intermediate School District Teacher of the Year celebration this spring.

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