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SPECIAL AWARDS EDITION

ALL NOMINEES TO BE HONORED!

The CPEA Building Representatives had a difficult decision to make at their April 11th meeting. They had to select the CPEA Educator of the Year from the following list of extremely qualified, dedicated and highly respected nominees:

Kathryn Lacefield
Math Teacher
STEAMM Academy
at Hartford

Jennifer Pisani
4th Grade
Science Teacher
Arts Academy

CONGRATULATIONS!

The 2022-2023 CPEA "EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR" is . . .

Jennifer Pisani



*"If there was ever a teacher that would be considered to be the model for all teachers to aspire to be like, that model teacher would be Jennifer Pisani. Mrs. Pisani has been teaching Canton's students for her entire career, which means there are hundreds of lives that have had the opportunity to be under her tutelage and care for at least one year of their lives. . . . What she has brought to the table, and classroom, throughout her career is unparalleled. Her influence and inspiration have gone beyond the four walls of the schoolhouse since day one. . . She has appeared in the Canton Repository for "Girls on the Run", which she has taken the lead on at Mason and Arts Academy the last several years. She has also been highlighted in the "CCS eNews" for leading different events such as her yearly project showing of her students' "Native American Dwelling Structures," where students bring Ohio's native peoples' dwellings to life by crafting mini-model displays to showcase for the entire school and invited guests." . . . **Ben Hoskins, Worley***

*"Jennifer Pisani is not only a teacher, but a mentor, an advocate, and a friend. She has spent her entire career teaching in Canton City Schools and impacting many students' lives. . . Jen pushes her students to excel. She pushed me to excel, and she even pushes herself to excel." . . . **Jennifer Crone, Arts Academy***

*"Jennifer Pisani has proactively fostered relationships with students and families. She is respected within the District as a strong instructional leader who makes above expected growth with students." . . . **Jeanie Bowling, Principal, Arts Academy***

*"Jen Pisani is an outstanding educator that I had the opportunity to work with at Worley Elementary. She values and cares for all students. She goes out of her way to encourage and find creative ways to make a fun and inviting learning environment, while getting the most from her students." . . . **Robert Crone, Principal***

*"Jen Pisani is an amazing teammate and will be truly missed as she enters retirement. Jen is always willing to go above and beyond in meeting the needs of her students with thoughtful and engaging lessons. She takes the time to build relationships with students, staff, and community. Through these relationships, she has gained the respect and admiration of the many people she has touched. Jen will leave behind some big shoes to fill! . . . **Cindy Reed, Grade 4, Arts Academy***

"The memories of Jen's career are forever a staple to be replicated for years to come. . . . If you are new to the world of education, stick with it. You will have your bad days when you want to just quit, but in those times, think of your inspiration. Think of those who have inspired you and why you chose this career path. Find a mentor, someone who inspires you to push yourself. Find your Jen Pisani."

*. . . . **Diane Sommer, Mason***

Congratulations to Jennifer! She will be presented with her award at the annual CPEA Spring Banquet at LaPizzaria on Tuesday, May 9th, 2023.

2022-2023 CPEA AWARD WINNERS

CPEA “Layperson of the Year” Award

Teresa Purses

Volunteer at Gibbs Leadership School

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Recipients of the Nathaniel Roberts Scholarship, Samuel J. Dorto, Jr. Scholarship, and First Generation College for African American Student Scholarship will be announced the week of April 24, 2023.

Memorial Scholarships

Applications are due Friday, May 5, 2023. Recipients will be announced on May 8, 2023

STARK EDUCATION CELEBRATION NOMINEES

The Canton City Schools’ nominees for this year’s Stark Education Celebration are:

Beth Vassalotti, Crenshaw - Teacher of the Year, and Desiree Hargrave, Youtz - Rookie of the Year
Congratulations!

Anyone wishing to help honor these award winners at the annual CPEA Spring Banquet at LaPizzaria on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 may make a reservation by calling the CPEA Office or returning the form below.



**CPEA Spring Banquet Reservation Form
Tuesday, May 9, 2023 – LaPizzaria
Social/Cash Bar 5:30 - Program begins at 6:00 p.m.**

Name(s) _____ Bldg. _____

Number attending _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____ (\$30/person)

Make checks payable to CPEA

Dinner is served Family Style and includes: Salad, Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Lightly Seasoned Scrod, Sausage & Peppers, Fresh Beans, Roasted Potatoes, Penne Pasta in Marinara, Dessert & Beverage.

Please return this form and payment to the CPEA Office by Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM ELECTION RESULTS

After the ballots were tabulated on March 31st, the candidates elected to the ELT in contested positions were:

High School: *Randy Bifulchi and Manuel Halkias*

Also, elected to fill uncontested positions were:

Vice President: *Lynne Watson*

Secretary: *Karen Zutali*

Pre-K - 3 Level: *Karen Brank, Andrea McSherry, Jennifer Schott*

Grade 4-6 Level: *Juliann Doerschuk*

Middle School: *Brian Mishak*

Multi-Level Resource: *Tracey Smith*

Presidential Appointments: *Allan Brown, Greg Soper*