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NEBRASKA BUSINESS TEACHERS RECOGNIZED

Forty-eight Nebraska business teachers were recognized by the Nebraska Department of Education at the Nebraska Career Education Conference held June 5 in Kearney.

Teachers whose professional activities influenced business and marketing education in Nebraska during the past year received BEST — Belong, Excel, Study and Travel — Awards for their involvement in professional associations, community and school activities, professional leadership development and service to the business education profession.

BEST awards exemplify superior qualities, including dedication to students, community outreach and continual classroom improvement efforts. The following individuals contributed significantly to the quality of education in their community and the state:

- 20-year award winners: Celeste Rogers, Sandhills High School and Janet Stalder, McCook Community College
- 10-year award winners: Lori Anderson of Lincoln East High School, Colleen Lenners of Omaha Central High School and Pat Olson of Blair High School
- First-year award recipients:
 - Jay Dalton, Omaha Burke High School
 - Brent Jarosz, Norfolk High School
 - Kari Tunink, Columbus High School

Other award recipients:

Carol Andringa of Lincoln Public Schools
Janice Arent of Maywood High School
Crystal Bolamperti of Westside Middle School
Brenda Budler of Chadron High School
Colleen Childers of Lincoln Northeast High School
Angie Chittick of North Platte Community College
Jean Condon of North Platte Community College
Kathy Dobesh of Litchfield High School
Teresa Feick of Arlington High School
Lisa Fox of Dundy County Stratton High School
Dawn Friedrich of Wausa High School
Kris Gaebel of Gretna High School
Tennille Gifford of Kearney High School
Lori Harding of Wakefield High School
DeLayne Havlovic of Omaha Public Schools
Shawna Koger of Arlington High School

Dennis Krejci of Tri County High School
Janet Lear of University of Nebraska at Kearney
Kathleen McCune of Mid-Plains Community College
Shawn McClain of Bennington High School
Matt Maw of Lincoln Southeast High School
Kelly Means of Omaha Central High School
Shelly Mowinkel of Milford High School
Lorrie Mowry of McCook Community College
Mickie Mueller of Norfolk High School
Laura Newton of Elkhorn Valley High School
Lisa Newton-Hanson of Neligh-Oakdale High School
Cathy Nutt of Mid-Plains Community College
Jan Osborn of Sargent Public Schools
Peggy Parker of Dundy County Stratton High School
Kim Pickering of University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension
Sheryl Piening Keller of Southeast Community College in Milford
Wanda Samson of Metropolitan Community College
Ramona Schoenrock of Columbus High School
Kurk Shrader of Elmwood-Murdock High School
Janelle Stansberry of Cedar Bluffs High School
Debra Stroh of Gibbon High School
Cindy Talley of Fillmore Central High School
Lindsay Tillinghast of Lincoln Southeast High School
Deb Wolken of Lincoln Northeast High School

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