# Denton Independent School District Board of Trustees Certificates of Recognition Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2008

### DENTON HIGH

## Carol Hyatt named top economics teacher

Carol Hyatt, economics teacher at Denton High School, has been named the Economics Education Secondary Teacher of the Year by the Texas Council of Economic Educators. She received the award from her colleagues on Feb. 15 in Austin.

Mrs. Hyatt, who has taught at DHS for the past 12 years, received the honor from Tim Shauntay, president of the Texas Council of Economic Educators, during the group's state conference. She has been a teacher for 18 years.

She has taught history, government, geography and economics during her career. She first taught at Lindsay High School and then started teaching at DHS in 1996, where she currently is the Advanced Placement Economics teacher and regular economics instructor.

In 2003, Mrs. Hyatt was selected for the Delaware Program for her master's degree. The University of Delaware has a special program so students can receive a master's in economics, entrepreneurship and economic education. She was one of 25 teachers selected nationwide to attend this two-year program.

She was named Denton High's Teacher of the Year in 2001 and has been named to *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. She was selected by the National Council for Economic Education to study abroad in Russia in December, 2003. She also is the founder of the North Texas high school economic teachers organization.

Mrs. Hyatt has also been UIL coordinator at DHS, UIL coach, National Honor Society advisor, senior class sponsor and sponsor for Eco Challenge. In 1999, she was awarded the Texas Blue Ribbon Teacher award by the Federal Reserve Bank and the Texas Council on Economic Education.

### RYAN HIGH

## Student selected for Peter Jennings Project

Kate McPherson, a sophomore at Ryan High, has been selected to participate in the Peter Jennings Project for Journalists in Philadelphia.

She will have the opportunity to participate with 20 professional journalists from print, broadcasting and on-line media, along with 30 other high school journalists and their faculty advisers. Karen Guenther, journalism teacher and newspaper and yearbook sponsor at Ryan High, will attend the project with Kate.

Through a variety of programs, they will learn that the constitutional discussion is not limited to the domain of the court system, academic exchange and the introductory experience of high school civics classes.

Besides being on the Ryan High newspaper staff, Kate also competes in the UIL Academic events. She also is in Junior Classical League where she is the publications officer.

This second annual event will take place March 7 through 9 with the theme: "The Constitution in our Midst: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties" in Philadelphia.