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### WSU Clinical Faculty Wins Award

Congratulations to one of WSU partnership clinical faculty--Eric Combs, social studies teacher at Fairborn High School for winning "Ohio Teacher of the Year." Eric was honored on December 14, 2005 by the honorable Gov. Bob Taft, State Superintendent of Instruction Susan Tave Zelman, and other dignitaries. The announcement was made at a surprise school assembly at Fairborn High School.

Gov. Bob Taft presented Eric with a proclamation and praised him for his dedication to the teaching profession. "Good teachers are the key to student success," Taft said. "Today, I am proud to honor Eric Combs as one of Ohio's most outstanding educators for his extraordinary commitment to the students he serves." Susan Tave Zelman, superintendent of public instruction, also praised Combs for his outstanding work in the classroom. "The most important factor in student achievement is the quality of the teacher in the classroom," Zelman said. "Eric's passion for the classroom and devotion to his students is setting the standard for teaching at Fairborn High School and throughout the state."

Eric has taught at Fairborn High School for three years and he began a "school within a school" initiative called Delta Team, which focuses on the school's most at-risk students. "When a student knows that you set high standards, and when they know you care about them, I have found them to be magnificent achievers," Combs said. Mr. Combs has mentored numerous Wright State University preservice teachers during his time at Fairborn High School, and we are very fortunate to have him as part of our partnership.

\*adapted from Fairborn City Schools website

### Important WSU and TCS Dates

**January 3**—First day of Winter Quarter for WSU

**January 4**—First day back for TCS

**January 12**—District Steering Committee Meeting—  
TCS Central Office, 3:30-4:30

**January 19**— Network Steering Committee Meeting—  
WSU's Berry Room, 9:30-12:00

**January 27**—2006 NNER Conference Planning  
Meeting—Cincinnati Marriott North, 1:00 p.m.

**February 17**—Teacher Education Council—WSU's  
Berry Room, 12:00-2:00

**February 23**—CEHS Partnership Committee—WSU's  
Berry Room, 2:30-4:00

**February 24 & 25**—Pathwise Training—WSU Nutter  
Center, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**March 14-18**—WSU Finals Week

**March 20-24**—WSU Spring Break

**March 27-31**—TCS Spring Break

### WSU to co-host 2006 NNER Annual Conference

Wright State University, along with Miami University will be co-hosting the National Network for Educational Renewal 2006 annual conference. This conference will take place October 18-21, 2006 at the Cincinnati Marriott North hotel. WSU's partnership districts will have the opportunity to participate in this national conference by sharing best practices, unique collaboration, and outstanding examples of educating today's youth in a democratic society. Please mark these dates on your calendar today and contact WSU's Partnership Office for further details.

*The mission of the Troy City School District/Wright State University Partnership is the simultaneous renewal of teacher education and PreK-12 education*

**--From Partnership Agreement signed—September, 2004**

**Winter 2006 Wright State University Placements in Troy City Schools (as of 12/20/05)**

<b>TCS School</b>	<b>TCS Teacher's Name Grade/Subject</b>	<b>WSU Student's Name</b>	<b>WSU Student's Program</b>	<b>WSU Field Supervisor</b>
Concord Elementary School	Tricia Fellers, 1 <sup>st</sup>	Charlotte Cobb	Student Teaching, ECE	Karen McCoy
Heywood Elementary School	Jerry Adkins, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Kristine Blakeley	Graduate Intern, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
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Heywood Elementary School	Patricia Grove, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Laurie Moses	Graduate Intern, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
Heywood Elementary School	Conchetta Moore, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Kristine Blakeley	Graduate Intern, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
Heywood Elementary School	Conchetta Moore, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Jacqueline Borgert	Graduate Intern, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
Kyle Elementary School	Marie Austria, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jessica Heckman	Student Teaching, ECE	Karen McCoy
Kyle Elementary School	Deb Barkett, 4 <sup>th</sup> LA	Carol Bair	Graduate Intern, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
Kyle Elementary School	Virginia Dowd, 1 <sup>st</sup>	Heather Weiler	Phase II—Part II, ECE	Karen McCoy
Kyle Elementary School	Paul Miller, 5 <sup>th</sup> SS	Carol Bair	Graduate Intern, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
Kyle Elementary School	Darla York, K	Julie Collins	Phase I, ECE	Karen McCoy
Troy High School	Steve Becker, Social Studies	R. Tyler Feasel	Graduate Intern, AYA	Bob Luby
Troy High School	Rhonda Bell, Math	Amber Shively	Graduate Intern, AYA	Bob Luby
Troy High School	Nicole Jones, Art	Arrin Turnmire	Graduate Intern, K-12 Art	Bob Luby
Troy High School	Jackie Lehmkuhl, Math	Robert Hess	Graduate Intern, AYA	Bob Luby
Troy High School	Darlene McClain, Business	Elizabeth Eyink	Student Teaching, Integrated Business	Karen Wood
Troy High School	John Terwilliger, Health	Christopher Poynter	Phase I, K-12 Health and PE	Bob Luby
Troy High School	Julie Wason, LA	Sarah VonLehmden	Graduate Intern, AYA	Bob Luby
Troy Junior High School	Nancy Starcher, 8 <sup>th</sup> Math	Kimberly Parin	Phase I, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby
Troy Junior High School	Kelly Wolfe, 8 <sup>th</sup> Science	Kimberly Parin	Phase I, Middle Childhood	Bob Luby