



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator DeFrancisco Holds 2014 New York State Senate Teachers of Excellence Ceremony

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State Senator John A. DeFrancisco held his first-ever Teachers Of Excellence awards program on June 5, 2014, at Jordan-Elbridge High School. More than 20 educators from throughout Onondaga County were honored for their outstanding efforts to help children learn during the 2013-14 school year.

Honorees were nominated by students, faculty, and staff, as well as family members. Senator DeFrancisco presented the educators with a New York State Senate Teachers of Excellence certificate and a “Golden Apple” pin.

“Teachers are the tools that enable our youth to succeed in life,” said Senator DeFrancisco. “I am proud to recognize those dedicated educators within my district, who consistently go above and beyond to educate, mentor and inspire their students.”

**Educators honored with this award are listed in alphabetical order of school districts:**

Wendy Smiley, Baldwinsville Central School District

Lisa Macomber, Blessed Sacrament

Renee Brown, Cicero-North Syracuse School District

Carol Goehner, Cicero-North Syracuse School District

Kathy Reichel, East-Syracuse Minoa School District

Lauren VanWie, Homeschool

Melinda Smart, Jordan-Elbridge School District

Karen Hourigan, Jordan-Elbridge School District

Dan Bondgren, Jordan-Elbridge School District

Jennifer O’Malley, Jordan-Elbridge School District

Joe Miuccio, OCM BOCES

John Steven Melfi, Onondaga Central School District

Peter Chapman, Skaneateles Central School District

Kathy Jerome, Solvay Central School District

Sandy Ladd, West Genesee Central School District

Debbie Quick, West Genesee School District

Doug Heath, Westhill School District

Jeremie Auge, Westhill School District

Marianne Glose, Westhill School District

Maryanne Dowling, Westhill School District