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## Warren Consolidated Schools Announces Outstanding Teacher of the Year Recipients for 2017

Warren, MI – Warren Consolidated Schools honored **Jeff Olind, Jamie Steinman,** and **Jessica Syswerda** as the district's Outstanding Teacher of the Year recipients for 2017.

Olind, Steinman, and Syswerda were among 67 Warren Consolidated teachers nominated for this award by fellow teachers, administrators, support staff, parents, and students. Nominated teachers are evaluated in ten categories such as, teaching style, motivational expertise, life-long learner, mission-driven and passion, and community focus.

"It is with great pride that the district recognizes these three educators for their outstanding commitment to our district, the high standards they set for themselves, and their dedication to ensuring all students have the opportunity to learn," Chief Academic Officer John Bernia said.

**Jeff Olind** is World History and Economics instructor at Warren Mott High School. He has taught for the district for the past 12 years.

"It is an honor to be nominated for this award and a wonderful feeling to be recognized for what I do," Olind said. "My favorite aspect of being a teacher is the daily interaction with my students. Every day is totally different and a new adventure."

Olind holds a Bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a Master's degree Central Michigan University.

**Jamie Steinman** is Title One Intervention teacher at Wilkerson Elementary. She has deep roots in the district, having attending WCS throughout her youth educational years. Steinman has been a teacher in the district for the past 14 years.

"I am in complete shock and honored to represent all the hard-working teachers in our district," Steinman said.

Steinman holds a Bachelor's degree from University of Detroit Mercy and a Master's degree from Walden University.

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**Jessica Syswerda** is a Language Arts teacher at Carleton Middle School. She has been with the district for the past 13 years.

"It is quite overwhelming to find out I received Teacher of the Year," Syswerda said. "I am grateful for my colleagues; I work with a dedicated group of people committed to helping our student."

Syswerda says the best part of being a teacher is the relationships she builds with students.

Syswerda holds a Bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University and Master's degree from Wayne State University.

Olind, Steinman, and Syswerda will be honored at the Macomb Intermediate School District Teacher of the Year celebration in April.

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