

Education

CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

NOMINEE: Nevada Teacher Of The Year

WAYNE DOUGLAS

Wayne Douglas, chemistry teacher at Clark High School, has been selected by Dr. Claude G. Perkins, Superintendent of Schools, as the Clark County School District nominee for the 1981 Nevada Teacher of the Year award.

Douglas, a 10-year employee with the District, has been in his present position for the past nine years. Prior to coming to Las Vegas, Douglas worked as a Certified Medical Technologist at Edgemont Hospital in Los Angeles and taught junior high school in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

In support of the nomination, Clark High School principal, Carroll Johnston, stated, "Wayne Douglas is a master teacher in every sense of the word."

Indeed, the University of Arkansas graduate

has continued to sharpen his teaching skills and increase his knowledge of the sciences by regularly attending between three and six seminars each year at either UCLA or UNLV. Once each year he attends a science seminar at Arizona State, & it is his practice to attend as many CCSD science-related seminars and workshops as he can.

He also is a member of several professional associations and participates actively throughout the year. Since 1972, Douglas has been a member of the National Association of Biology Teachers as well as the American



Wayne Douglas with class in session.

Chemical Society. He is currently a member of the Arizona-Nevada Academy of Science. And, from 1974 through 1976, he was a member of the American Nutritional Society.

Dr. James E. Embree,

CCSD Director of Curriculum Research, in his recommendation for Douglas' nomination, stated the 32-year-old teacher "has a rare combination of the qualities of intelligence, interest in students, strength of

background, continuing personal growth and that interpersonal quality commonly identified as charisma."

His work experience and continued professional involvement and growth dims in light of his phenomenal success in the classroom. Among the glowing recommendations he received from educators, parents and students, Douglas was praised as "a dynamic master of teaching; knowledgeable and ambitious, by Principal Johnston who made note of his "extreme enthusiasm for his work and students,"

"positive approach" and "unselfish" devotion of extra time to students. Terry Mannion, CCSD Director of Secondary Education, called Douglas "an asset to the staff, the students, the District, and the community," and stated that "at no time (in his 10 years of employment) has his evaluation as a teacher been less than superior."

Dr. Joel Jobst, fellow scientist and educator as well as parent of two former Douglas students, said, "His success has been great; his students have done exceptionally well in competition. I personally appreciate and applaud his work, not only for what he has done for my family, but for what he contributes every year to his chemistry students at Clark High."

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