

**Suffolk ASSET 2010 Teacher Nominees**  
**Congratulations to all!**

Cindy Cullen

Half Hollow Hills

Cindy is an incredible teacher who uses technology everyday in a multitude of ways, as a personal tool, for communication purposes, to share resources and to present information. Her social studies students regularly use wikis to create study materials and reports. She regularly creates podcasts so that her students can replay information that was discussed in class. Her eBoard is amazing!!! It contains information about homework assignments and projects, as well as links to social studies resources and review materials for AP and Regents exams.

Margie Dashiell

Sayville Public Schools

Margie Dashiell is an exceptional teacher who works hard to hone her instructional practice, especially in the area of technology integration. She brings 21st century skills to the learning environment for her students and inspires her colleagues to do the same. The result.....life long learners who leave high school capable and ready for their new life in a technology driven society.

Kate DeVenney

William Floyd

As the library chairperson Kate DeVenney has supported and enhanced technology in her department and throughout the district. She has mentored the district librarians and acted as a go to for other staff members. Her active involvement in the redesigning of the library home page on the district website was consistent with the work that she puts forward to the district on a daily basis and in line with the districts goals and objectives. It is my pleasure to nominate her for this honor.

Betsey Doyle

Westhampton Beach

Betsy has always been an advocate of educational technology, and took on a significant leadership role this year helping the instructional staff transition our one-to-one laptop program from Windows to the Mac platform.

Jillian Franciscovich

Cold Spring Harbor

Jillian has been doing an outstanding job integrating technology into her classroom. She engages the students utilizing modern tools, and even produced a video demonstrating student response systems for the Board of Education. She's great!

Theresa Giacolone

Brentwood

This teacher was selected because she never stops going above and beyond to help her fellow teachers and students. She constantly reaches out and embraces new technologies to better herself and everyone she comes in contact with. Nothing is ever too much for her to do. She puts a smile on her face, and goes right to whatever the task on hand might be!

John Krakowka

Mattituck-Cutchogue

John is Technology Integration Specialist for the district. He is involved in many projects working with Elementary and Middle School Teachers. John is always going out of the way to help teachers with all their technology needs. He is an asset to have on staff.

Beth Noon

Elwood

Mrs. Noon has transformed her teaching methods using technology. She created a website that would offer a variety of resources and learning experiences for her students, including homework assignments, review sheets, class pictures, newsletters, and spelling lists. She incorporates the SMART Board into daily lessons and received a grant for a document camera this year. In May, Mrs. Noon's class will participate in a butterfly metamorphosis distance learning experience with the Indianapolis Zoo.

Karl O'Leary

Mount Sinai

Karl is leading the charge in Web 2.0 Tool usage in the district. He will be piloting the Smart Slate next school year as well as other items. He is a quite energetic and self-motivated teacher who loves working with new available technology in the classroom. He has presented at Asset and other functions.

Jill Perry-Eising

Deer Park

Jill Perry-Eising is a business teacher and active member of the Deer Park Model Classroom program. As part of her participation in the program, Jill provides ongoing PD to her colleagues. Jill is also one of the lead teachers and advisors for the MSG Varsity program. Jill's class was recently selected to be MSG Varsity's Outreach partner of the Week.

Laura Pimental

Three Village

Laura has worked tirelessly on organizing and teaching staff on how to use various technology software programs through out the district. Most notably, My Learning Plan, BARS on the Web and Data Mentor. Her knowledge and expertise are as greatly appreciated as her patience and highly cooperative nature.

Sam Rodriguez

South Huntington

Mr. Rodriguez served as a Whitman Technology Mentor for several years. He routinely brings innovative technological ideas to the table and creates user guides so that others can effortlessly implement the information that he shares with his colleagues.

James Schappert

Babylon

Jim Schappert is not afraid of trying something new. After being initially introduced to podcasting, the very next day Jim had put together a two-week unit for his 12th grade English class to create podcasts. For effectively implementing technology with a Smartboard in his classroom, enhancing the learning experiences of his students, and motivating his colleagues to take chances with technology, we recognize Jim's efforts and thank him for his continual "techie" growth and enthusiasm.

Katie Trachtenberg

Kings Park

Katie Trachtenberg is a creative teacher with a desire to inspire, design and research different avenues to present instruction. Her use of the Smart board has enabled her to develop a hands-on, interactive classroom. She has revised her teaching styles and lesson plans to adopt the Smart Board into her instruction. Her desire to develop interactive instruction has now been extended to recommendations for technology-based staff training.

Pamela Urso

Longwood

Pam Urso has been in the forefront of educational technology for many years at Longwood. While Pam has created, produced, and introduced many programs, she is best known as a true mentor. Her energy and enthusiasm help put other teachers at ease as they learn how to best utilize technology in their classroom. When they question their competency, Pam is famous for her reply, "Sure you can!"

Teddi Weik

Comsewogue

In two short years, Mrs. Teddi Weik has gone from a teacher who used technology intermittently to one who uses it almost every second of the day. Her interest in technology increased when she started to use the portable SMARTBoard. She realized that creating fascinating lessons was easy and the different uses for the SMARTBoard were endless. Mrs. Weik spent many hours at home, creating lesson after lesson, excited to teach them to the students and share her ideas with colleagues. She uses the SMARTboard for calendar activities where the children sing, count, make patterns, add on a number line, use coins and tally. She uses it for every unit she teaches in math, science and social studies.

Tina Zeltmann

Remsenburg-Speonk

Mrs. Zeltmann is a lifelong learner as well as inspiring and innovative teacher. She has utilized technology in her classroom to the utmost, learning and excelling in the use of Interactive Presentation Managers and Response Systems, media delivery systems using sources including her own CDs and DVDs, the Internet, SAFARI Montage and music tapes. She has employed the ELMO Document Projector and developed videos of her students in different aspects of their learning day. Mrs. Zeltmann has proven herself to be a teacher well worthy of emulation.