



Employees of the Year 2010-2011



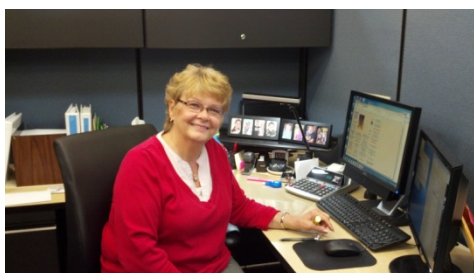
Rosanna Harshman

Huntington Beach High School

English Teacher

First-Year Teacher of the Year

Rosanna is an exceptionally talented teacher. She actively engages her students in interactive lessons which they enjoy and which facilitate higher levels of learning and achievement. She expertly incorporates differentiated instruction into her lessons. This allows ALL levels of students to be both academically challenged and individually successful. Rosanna connects with student interests and provides meaningful, well-designed instruction. She has an amazing and unique ability to make her lessons and activities relevant, fascinating, and student centered. Additionally, Rosanna generously gives her skills and gifts outside of the classroom as well. You can find her in attendance at events and performances or backstage creating hairstyles for APA musicals. Rosanna earned her bachelor's degree in English at CSU-Long Beach.



Gloria Bill

Adult School/Coast High School, Valley Vista High School, CDS

Business Assistant

Gloria plays an integral role in overseeing the Adult School/Coast High School, Valley Vista High School and CDS budgets and expenses. She possesses knowledge of budgeting, accounting, and procedures and does an excellent job in managing payroll, auditing transactions, and following up on requisitions and work orders. Gloria helps monitor and coordinate the expenditures for materials, supplies, and equipment as well as personnel who support many programs. She works effectively with all staff and is on the school leadership team, serves as chair of a Resource Management WASC Focus Group, belongs to various organizations, and is actively involved in TBC, CCAE, and Community Advisory, to name a few. Gloria is knowledgeable, efficient, well organized, and has an attentiveness to detail. Gloria earned her bachelor's degree in Home Economics from CSU-Long Beach. She and her husband of 42 years have two sons, both Ocean View High School graduates, and five grandchildren.



Kathleen Richey

Valley Vista High School

Home Economics—CaSAFE Teacher

Kathi is an outstanding teacher who brings out the best in everyone around her. With her students, she is an engaging presenter, delightful conversationalist, empathetic listener, timely responder, gentle but firm critic, appropriately supportive person, and dependable friend. She consistently displays a crisp efficiency, genuine sensitivity, and infectious cheerfulness that not only ensures her students' educational success, but their personal success and individual growth as well. Her classrooms are wonderfully active, productive, comfortable places where students learn and feel at home. She is a leader on campus and can be counted on to present innovative suggestions for integrating coursework, supporting an individual student, or activities that will enhance our school community. Kathi is particularly good at hiring, training, and supervising child care staff for our on-site child development center. She is also an effective advocate for all pregnant and parenting teens in the district, and an available and responsive liaison with the district comprehensive high schools. She has effectively managed all of the administrative, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements of our CaSAFE program. Her colleagues describe her as "a teacher who seeks to empower her students with her creativity, optimism and limitless energy in class each and every day." With her master's degree in Education with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education, she brings a wealth of professional administrative skills to her position.



Tricia Lindquist

Edison High School

Spanish Teacher

Tricia's multitude of accomplishments inspire colleagues and students alike. Tricia has taught all levels of Spanish during her 13 years at Edison High School. She is a solid, model teacher and leads by example. Her instructional strategies are research-based and highly effective. She has served on several building committees, co-chaired the WASC accreditation process for 2010-11, and has been a charter teacher leader of Character Coalition, which monthly recognizes students demonstrating responsibility, respect, honesty and goal-setting. She volunteers her time to MIKA, a community development corporation assisting immigrant families, teaches English classes to Mexican immigrants and serves as a kindergarten teacher and a life group leader at Rock Harbor Church. She makes an impact on the students she teaches, the colleagues she inspires, and the Orange County community she lives in. Students love her, colleagues respect her, and our community is a better place because of her. Tricia Lindquist is a teacher of the year every year. She is a graduate of Ocean View High School, obtained her bachelor's in Spanish from Pepperdine University and a master's degree in Spanish from CSU-Sacramento.