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Wednesday, October 15, 2008

School standout: **Macomb County**

### Teacher of the week: AnnMarie Michol

**Who she is:** AnnMarie Michol teaches ninth grade at De La Salle Collegiate High School in Warren.

**Background:** Michol is a 1995 graduate of Wayne State University, where she received a bachelor's degree in English, and just recently received a master's degree from the University of Detroit. Michol began her teaching career as a long-term substitute teacher at East Detroit High School before teaching at De Le Salle Collegiate in 1998. She started coaching tennis at De La Salle in 1990 and continues to be head coach. In 2002, Michol was nominated for the prestigious "Disney American Teacher Award." She is married to Joe, who is the varsity swim coach at De La Salle, and they have three daughters, Ashley, Lindsey, and Haley.

**Why nominated:** Michol has won several Coach of the Year awards and the De La Salle tennis team has been ranked among the best teams in Macomb County. She has been the head coach for about 15 years and the participation numbers have increased every year -- even adding a junior varsity team about 10 years ago. Tennis is one of the best-run programs in the school and league. Michol has been a front-runner at De La Salle High School in honoring students for their achievements. She has instituted the popular program of Student of the Month. She asks the faculty to suggest students who have shown marked improvement in some area, not necessarily academics, and then honors a particular student with recognition throughout the month. She works tirelessly with the freshman class in her English classes and has produced some of the best writers in the school through her excellent writing and teaching agendas. These students have gone on to enter various contests using their skills and have excelled in other classes because of what Michol has taught them. She is in charge of the Student Council for the entire school and Academic Affairs for seniors. She runs many awards ceremonies and pep assemblies and is also in charge of graduation. She does all of this work without recognition to herself. She does all this work to honor the students at De La Salle High School.

**Advertisement** **She says:** "I worked in the occupational therapist field and realized that I wanted to start coaching and developing tennis players. I have played tennis for 35 years. I found that I enjoyed coaching so much that I wanted to pursue a career in teaching. Teaching has been a very rewarding career for me the past ten-plus years. I enjoy the challenges of guiding students to reach their goals in English. 'Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime' (Chinese Proverb). This is daily inspiration for me! I truly love my profession and thank all the faculty and staff at DLS for helping me grow as an individual and teacher. I have many personal goals for the future -- to continue my education and gain as much updated knowledge as possible to guide my students. Also, I want to prepare excellent workers, produce good citizens, foster personal growth and develop morality in all my students."

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