14 Wyoming Teachers Honored with 2014 Arch Coal Golden Apple Certificates

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WRIGHT, Wyo. May 27, 2014 – The Arch Coal Foundation presented 14 Wyoming teachers today with its Golden Apple Awards certificates.

The Golden Apple Awards are part of the Arch Coal Foundation's teacher recognition program, which recently honored 10 outstanding Wyoming classroom teachers with its highest award – the Teacher Achievement Award. Golden Apple Award recipients earned finalist status in the program, distinguishing them as among the top tier of the 2014 nominees.

"These Golden Apple recipients' applications received very high scores by the judges, all past recipients of the Teacher Achievement Award," said Greg Schaefer, Arch Coal vice president of external affairs, western region. "Arch Coal salutes these classroom teachers, who exhibit high standards, dedication and creativity every day."

The public nominates educators for the Arch award, which celebrated its 14th year in 2014. The program is Wyoming's longestrunning, privately sponsored teacher recognition program.

Teachers receiving Golden Apple Awards are:

Richard S. Atkinson	East High School	Cheyenne
Lori Britton	Wheatland High School	Wheatland
Heidi Christensen	Douglas Primary School	Douglas
Lisa Esquibel	Davis Elementary School	Cheyenne
Sarah Glasser	Wright Junior Senior High School	Wright
London Jenks	Hot Springs County High School	Thermopolis
Jana Jensen	Sunflower Elementary School	Gillette
Sarah Krank	South High School	Cheyenne
Lisa Lowenfels	Kelly Elementary School	Kelly
Kim Luedde	Cody Middle School	Cody
Kati Meeks	Wind River Elementary School	Pavillion
Katie Moore	Indian Paintbrush Elementary School	Laramie
Caleb Sanders	Lovell High School	Lovell
Jay Tomich	C-V Ranch School	Wilson

The Teacher Achievement Awards are underwritten by the Arch Coal Foundation and are supported in program promotion by the Wyoming Education Association, Taco Johns, Loaf 'N Jug and the Wyoming Library Community. Arch Coal and the Arch Coal Foundation have a long history of supporting educational and community causes in Wyoming. The Arch Coal Foundation also supports teacher recognition or grants programs in West Virginia and Colorado, as well as a number of other education-related causes.

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