Jostens Renaissance® Announces 2014 Outstanding Educators

2014 Educators of the Year and Hall of Fame members celebrated at Jostens Renaissance 23rd national conference.

Minneapolis, MN (PRWEB) July 14, 2014 -- Jostens has announced the 2014 educators who were inducted into the Jostens Renaissance® Hall of Fame at the 23rd annual Jostens Renaissance National Conference held July 10-13 in Orlando, Florida. The Jostens Renaissance Hall of Fame honor is presented to educators who demonstrate exceptional leadership by improving the school’s culture and climate, which leads to results to inspire academic achievement. They have also made a significant impact supporting the program at both the state and national level.

In addition to the two Hall of Fame inductees, five educators were named Jostens Renaissance Educators of the Year for implementing best practices that improve student success in their school.

The Jostens Renaissance Hall of Fame members and Educators of the Year received honorary rings and awards from Chuck Mooty, president and CEO, Jostens; Ann Carr, Chief Marketing Officer, Jostens; and John Bibeault, VP of Scholastic, Jostens.

2014 Jostens Renaissance Educators of the Year
Holly Branch, Musselman High School, Inwood, WV
Sheri Mitzel, Cienega High School, Vail, AZ
Dr. Linda Parker, Byron Nelson High School, Trophy Club, TX
John Tritz, Cienega High School, Vail, AZ
Gina Whitaker, Tri-West Middle School, Lizton, IN

2014 Jostens Renaissance Hall of Fame Inductees
Tina Dietrich, Fountain Woods Elementary School, Burlington, NJ
Jennifer Gates, Clifton Middle School, Monrovia, CA

"Jostens is honored to recognize these outstanding and distinguished educators as members of Jostens Renaissance Hall of Fame and Educators of the Year," said Mike Wolf, Director of Jostens Educator Services. "The passion and dedication of these educators, along with educators all over the world, are the driving force in impacting students’ academic performance, attendance and behavior. They have been instrumental in creating improved morale in their schools, which has resulted in raised GPAs, school attendance rate and graduation rate of their students. They have also addressed the intangibles, they have worked with their school colleagues to create an environment where every student belongs, not just attends."

More than 4,500 schools across the US and Canada use Jostens’ support and resources to inspire students to achieve higher grade point averages, increase attendance and help improve the overall school atmosphere and culture. Through research-based strategies, best practices and connections to successful schools that are part of the Jostens Renaissance network, the program demonstrates how a positive culture and climate among all students, faculty and staff can improve academic performance, increase graduation rates and build school spirit.

Jostens is committed to supporting the school’s mission and works tirelessly with educators to assure they are
staying on top of the critical timely issues that are important to schools today such as the development of 21st century skills. Jostens Renaissance empowers schools and students to make it matter by boosting GPAs, increasing attendance, improving school pride and growing graduation rates. More information about Jostens Renaissance is available at www.jostens.com.

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