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MSDWT Teacher Announced as Top 10 Finalist for State Teacher of the Year Award

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (September 12, 2013) – The Indiana Department of Education has announced the top ten finalists for the Teacher of the Year award, and North Central High School Latin teacher Steve Perkins is among those top 10. Perkins was selected this past May as the Washington Township Teacher of the Year, at the End of the Year celebration for the district. He was notified yesterday by the IDOE of his new top ten ranking among educators in the state. The original nomination for Perkins stated:

“As a master teacher, Mr. Perkins brings a “dead language” to life by demonstrating enthusiasm, strong communication skills and a willingness to infuse every lesson with creativity. His passion for learning is contagious and his ability to inspire young learners is to be admired. Before we identified the IB Learner Profiles in our schools, there was a balanced, caring, master communicator, knowledgeable, open-minded, principled, reflective thinker who developed inquiring students who were and continue to be risk-takers. Gratias ago vos magister!”

The following 2 video links contain footage from both surprise announcements:

Top 10 Finalist Surprise Announcement: <http://youtu.be/nR7uh-jssbo>

MSDWT Teacher of the Year Announcement:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/9csrzkeg97150r/TOY%202013.wmv>

District web site announcement: <http://www.msdwt.k12.in.us/?p=9394>