

Jerome High School's Kathy Muscat Wins Classroom Mini-Grant Award



Kathy Muscat, guidance counselor at Jerome High School, receives a \$300 Classroom Mini-Grant.

Ms. Kathy Muscat, a guidance counselor at Jerome High School, in Jerome, Idaho, was awarded a classroom mini-grant for \$300 from Northwest Professional Educators (NWPE), Idaho's only non-union professional teacher association. Cindy Omlin, NWPE Executive Director, presented the mini-grant at a staff gathering on May 26th. The award will fund ACT test preparation guides for use in an ACT Test Prep course designed to close the discrepancy between ACT scores and grade point averages.

"Northwest Professional Educators is happy to provide Ms. Muscat this mini-grant to enhance student learning," said Ms. Omlin. "NWPE is proud to reward educators for their hard work and creativity. Ms. Muscat's award is certainly well-deserved as she seeks ways to increase student achievement."

NWPE awards teacher scholarships and classroom mini-grants twice a year. All educators are eligible for

the awards although NWPE members receive first preference. The next application deadline is October 31, 2010.

Northwest Professional Educators is a professional educators' organization focused on students as educators' highest priority and improving the professionalism of education. NWPE welcomes educators of any education entity in the states of Idaho, Washington, and Oregon including teachers, administrators and support staff and provides members with liability insurance, legal services, professional development resources, teacher scholarships/classroom mini-grants, and a voice on education issues. Membership dues are \$16.50 a month.

More information about Northwest Professional Educators and its teacher scholarship/classroom mini-grant program may be obtained by visiting the website at www.nwpe.org or calling 800-380-6973.