

Teacher Receives Apple Award from Future Educators Association



Joe Bettura, a Government teacher at the TCTC, was presented with the Apple Award from the Future Educators Association at their installation ceremony on November 13. This award is determined by a vote of the senior students in the Career Path for the Teaching Profession program.

Samantha Phillips, a senior from Niles, recognized Bettura for both outstanding teaching as well as serving as a mentor to the students in the program. She stated, Mr. Bettura makes connections with his students. His classroom is a fun place to be because the students are always actively involved. He thinks outside the box and is very creative in his approach to Government.” She also thanked Bettura for meeting regularly with the CPTP students to discuss various aspects of education.

Larry Crawford, Academic Supervisor, concurred with the students’ selection of Bettura for the award. He stated, “Joe is an excellent teacher who is passionate about the profession. He always has a great relationship with his students. Recently, I observed a class that he taught about the Electoral College. I wish we had videotaped it for analysis by student-teachers. It was an example of educational best practice.”