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2020 Carl J. Schaefer Memorial Award Recipient Announced



BIG RAPIDS, MI - The NOCTI Board of Trustees named Ms. Allison Barry of Massachusetts the winner of the 2020 Carl J. Schaefer Memorial CTE Teacher award.

The Carl J. Schaefer Memorial Award was established in 2013 to honor Dr. Carl J. Schaefer. As a lifelong champion in career and technical education (CTE), he gained national recognition as a CTE educator and author. He was also one of NOCTI's founding fathers. This memorial award is a tribute to Dr. Schaefer's

memory and recognizes an outstanding CTE teacher or CTE teacher candidate. Criteria for the award include an application describing personal goals, work experience, awards/honors received, professional memberships, and leadership and community service activities. Allison received a personalized award and \$500 to be used toward tuition, room and board, books, or any other educational-related expense.

For the past five years, Allison has served as a design and visual communications instructor at Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School located in Lexington, Massachusetts. She also serves as Minuteman's alumni liaison and social media coordinator. In her spare time, she is pursuing a master's degree in Occupational Education. Ms. Barry's industry experience and willingness to use different methods of teaching to ensure the success of her students is commendable.

When nominating Ms. Barry, Ms. Kathleen Bouchard, director of CTE at Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical High School, said "Ms. Barry impressed me with her enthusiasm and her genuine desire to meet each and every student's unique learning needs in her classroom." She also said "Allison consistently displays her passion of Design and Visual Communication not just within her classroom but also throughout the school. The students in her program share her passion and leave Minuteman prepared for their future careers."

NOCTI congratulates Allison on receiving this national honor and applauds her commitment and dedication to CTE!

About NOCTI

NOCTI is the nation's largest provider of industry partner certifications and industry-based credentials for career and technical education programs. NOCTI provides credible solutions for assessing both student and teacher competence and provides detailed information that can be used for data-driven instructional improvement as well as to meet regulatory requirements. Nocti Business Solutions tailors performance assessments for each client's needs, helping them meet their goals through pre-employment testing, performance assessment, prior learning assessment and customized job skills assessment.