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2020 Carl J. Schaefer Memorial Award Recipient Announced

BIG RAPIDS, MI - The NOCTI Board of Trustees named Ms. Chelsea Gumm of Texas as the winner of the 2020 Carl J. Schaefer Memorial CTE Teacher Candidate 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. Chelsea received a personalized award and $500 to be used toward tuition, room and board, books, or any other educational-related expense.

For the past six years, Ms. Chelsea Gumm has served as a culinary instructor at Katy ISD’s Miller Career and Technology Center (MCTC), located in Katy, Texas. In December 2016, Ms. Gumm was named Greater Houston Restaurant Association's Educator of the Year. Chelsea and her students run the Old Town Bistro, an on-campus restaurant open to the public, as well providing catering services for events within the Katy area. In her spare time, Chelsea is working toward a culinary degree. Ms. Gumm’s culinary arts knowledge and hands-on training provides students with the skills needed to be successful.

Mr. Stephen Bennett, CTE instruction specialist at Katy ISD, said “Chelsea is driven to expand her program and to add meaningful opportunities for her students.”

NOCTI congratulates Chelsea 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.