

2021 C. Thomas Olivo Outstanding Service Award Recipient Announced



BIG RAPIDS, MI - The NOCTI Board of Trustees recently named Theresa Alampi-Cortez of New York the winner of the 2021 C. Thomas Olivo Outstanding Service award.

The C. Thomas Olivo Outstanding Service Award, established in 1980, is NOCTI's highest honor and is reserved for those individuals who have demonstrated leadership in the areas of career and technical education (CTE) and occupational competency assessment. Criteria for the award include credibility, expertise, dedication, leadership qualities, knowledge of NOCTI programs and services, and participation and contributions to professional associations. This year's winner received a personalized award, a \$500 cash honorarium, and a \$250 gift certificate for NOCTI products/services.

Ms. Alampi-Cortez serves as instructional specialist for professional development at Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES, located in Spencerport, New York. Theresa led Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES teachers in CTEDDI professional development training and is using the information learned to guide instruction and prepare students for technical assessments. Recently, she completed her administrative degree and certification. Theresa also teaches several CTE courses required for New York teacher certification through Buffalo State. In addition, she is a member of the New York State Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) as well as, ACTE's national association. She also serves as the lead advisor for the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) and is also a member of SkillsUSA. Ms. Alampi-Cortez is a strong leader and advocate for CTE.

"One of Theresa's greatest strengths is her ability to create supportive and collaborative relationships with teachers. Overall, Theresa has strong instructional knowledge, great leadership skills, and a positive personality," said Ms. Paula Boughton, Supervisor, Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES.

NOCTI congratulates Ms. Alampi-Cortez on receiving this national honor. She is a leader and advocate for CTE making her a well-deserving candidate of the C. Thomas Olivo Outstanding Service Award.

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.