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**Judges Announced for the
10th Annual Teacher of the Year Award
Sponsored by the Lawrence Rotary Club**

Prominent local leaders selected to judge the 10th Annual Teacher of the Year Award.

David Hartleb, President of Northern Essex Community College of Haverhill, Gary N. McCloskey, O.S.A., Dean of the College (Merrimack College) Chaired Professor of Augustinian Pedagogy, and Howard F. Allen, M.Ed., Director of Operations, Business Resource Center of the Cambridge College Lawrence Regional Center, have been selected to choose the winning teacher. All nominations must be received by April 17th.

As judges, they will be responsible to review the applications submitted by their peers for the prestigious 2008 Teacher of the Year Award. The award has been granted over the last ten years to a teacher in the Lawrence School system in recognition of that teacher's exemplary dedication and ability to stimulate students to learn. The competition is open to every teacher in every school in Lawrence, including public, private, parochial, and special and higher education. It is expected almost 40 teachers will be nominated this year.

The winning teacher will receive a \$1,000 award and the traditional Crystal Apple Award. A \$1,000 award will also be given to the school that he/she represents to be used for the benefit of the children. And new for 2008, The Rising Star Award: \$500 to the teacher who meets the same standards but who has taught in the Lawrence school system for five years or less.

A special recognition banquet will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2008 at DiBurro's Function Facility in Haverhill, Massachusetts to honor all of the nominees and the outstanding teacher(s) as selected by the panel of judges. Tickets for the banquet are \$28.00 per person and the event is open to the public.

Nominations and ticket purchases can be made online at www.LawrenceRotary.org.

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