

Wyoming Department of Education

Cindy Hill, Superintendent of Public Instruction Hathaway Building, 2nd Floor, 2300 Capitol Avenue Chevenne WY 82002-0050

Phone: (307) 777-7675 | **Fax:** (307) 777-6234 | **Website:** edu.wyoming.gov

PRESS Release

Local Teacher of the Year, Rhonda Knapp, Receives Accolades

Weston County School District #7 teacher, Rhonda Knapp, received the district Teacher of the Year award for 2015, according to Superintendent of Public Instruction Cindy Hill. Knapp, a teacher for 32 years, serves as physical education teacher at Upton Elementary and Middle Schools.

"Since I chose to be a lifelong learner, I hope the same for my students. I believe in focusing on individual needs and differences," she says.

Speaking about the teaching profession, Knapp comments, "All students have the potential to make a difference in our society. My hope is that my philosophy of teaching can help them grow to be productive citizens. My greatest reward as a teacher is to see former students become good persons and to know that I had a small part in guiding them."

Knapp, who will receive a crystal apple award from the Wyoming Department of Education, says, "I strive to develop good relationships with others especially with my students. My desire is to make a difference, but in the end it is the students who have made me who I am. My students have been and will continue to be an important part of my life."