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Two Fitzgerald Public Schools teachers named Macomb County Teacher of the Year

WARREN, Mich. — Two **Fitzgerald Public Schools** teachers were selected as Macomb County Teacher of the Year by the Macomb Intermediate School District (MISD) on March 16. **Jodi Titus** from Chatterton Middle School was named Macomb County Middle School Teacher of the Year and **Jeff Kmiec** was named Macomb County High School Teacher of the Year.

“Both Jodi Titus and Jeff Kmiec are exceptional educators who are committed to providing our students with a high-quality education in an engaging and welcoming learning environment,” said Superintendent **Barbara VanSweden**. “Without a doubt, these teachers inspire their students and our staff members every day. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and dedication to enriching the lives of our students and preparing them for future careers.”

Teachers are nominated by their colleagues, administrators, support staff, parents and students in accordance with guidelines provided by the Macomb Intermediate School District. A committee reviews the letters of support and picks the finalists. While each district can nominate only one teacher per school level to advance to the MISD Teacher of the Year competition, Fitzgerald Public Schools recognized outstanding teachers from each of its schools during the Fitzgerald Public Schools’ Annual Outstanding Teacher-of-the-Year awards. The teachers who were awarded this distinction are:

- **Jeff Kmiec** – Fitzgerald High School
- **Jodi Titus** – Chatterton Middle School
- **Karen Willett** – Mound Park Elementary School
- **Nicole Hunt** – Westview Elementary School

All winners were recognized at the FPS Board of Education Meeting on March 2.

“The educators that we have recognized are shining examples of the high caliber of dedicated teachers we have working in Fitzgerald Public Schools,” said Superintendent **Barbara VanSweden**. “Teachers are a key ingredient to providing Fitzgerald students with a quality education and these outstanding educators deserve our praise, respect and admiration.”

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