

Center for Urban Education Ministries Newsletter

"Relentlessly Strengthening Urban Education"



"Teachers"

Teachers are Superheroes! High-performing educators easily equate to superheroes. Since educators have the power to transform lives and provide tremendous hope, the superhero analogy is well-suited. With superior skills and success, Superhero educators make the world a better place.

Thank you teachers! Thank you for the work you do every day, and for the difference you make in the lives of our children and families. Thank you!

This month, we stress our focus area of RECOGNITION with the Neubauer Prize for Urban Teaching and the Neubauer Prize for Urban Teacher Assistants. These prizes reward teacher excellence. I believe teaching is the most important job in the world.

We need to continue to uplift educators who are motivating, loving, challenging, and life-changing. Let's reward these difference makers together. Give to the Center for Urban Education Ministries and let's marvel at how our city students thrive and achieve with high quality educators - our superheroes!

-Dr. Steve Gerner, Executive Director/CEO



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RECRUITMENT

CUEM provides schools nationally with "Urban Education Strategy' - assisting schools to become sustainable and successful (assessments, financial, curriculum, leadership, forecasting, effective models, and development). Our newest presentation is entitled, "Triumphs in City Schools." It is aimed at school leadership and what is needed for true success.

RESOURCES

High-performing educators and leaders are cultural competent. Cultural competent educators are able to successfully teach all students. Cultural competency can be defined as the ability to recognize and adapt to cultural differences and similarities. It involves "(a) the cultivation of deep cultural self-awareness and understanding (i.e., how one's own beliefs, values, perceptions, interpretations, judgments, and behaviors are influenced by one's cultural community or communities) and (b) increased cultural other-understanding (i.e., comprehension of the different ways people from other cultural groups make sense of and respond to the presence of cultural differences).

- Bennett, J. M. (2015). "Intercultural Competence Development." The SAGE Encyclopedia of Intercultural Competence. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, Inc.

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RECOGNITION

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2022 Neubauer Award Winners!

<u>Neubauer Prize for Urban Teaching:</u> This year has presented enormous challenges to educators. Communication, engagement of the students, and quality content are just a few of the barriers to success. Teachers have responded with great energy and drive to improve instruction and increase student achievement. We know that educators who build strong student relationships and positively engage their students see tremendous academic achievement. And students love learning from these educators! This year's Teacher recipients are:

- Sherry Green Parkview School
- Patricia Cannon Hope Fidelis Christian School
- Leticia Aldape Alcott School
- Lauren Geary St. Marcus Lutheran School Milwaukee Campus
- Kendra Wilson Hope Fidelis Christian School
- Kelsi Daffner -St. Marcus Lutheran School Milwaukee Campus
- Jordyn Jurss St. Marcus Lutheran School Milwaukee Campus
- Jazmin Renta Hope Christian Schools
- Erin Ballard Mount Olive Christian Day School
- Erin Plughoeft Risen Savior Lutheran School EAST
- Emily Ertel St. Marcus Lutheran Harambee Campus
- Elissa Ellerman Christ-St. Peter School
- Ashley DiBona Hope Fidelis Christian School







In honor of Laura and David, two very special people who greatly respected the love and commitment of teaching, this prize honors teacher excellence.

The Neubauer Prize for Urban Teaching Assistants: Teacher Assistants are extremely invaluable to student success. Whether grading papers, providing small group instruction, or assisting with content development, these individuals play a vital role in the classroom. This year's Teaching Assistant recipients are:

- Octavia Canser Carmen High School
- Michelle Cook St. Marcus Lutheran
- Lashonda Riley ShiningStar Christian School
- Chazidi White Dr. George Washington Carver Academy
- Katie Kulinski Honey Creek Continuous Progress School
- Tajahnae McLenore Risen Savior Lutheran School EAST
- Shanda Hunter Carson Academy
- Megan Diaz Hope Christian School
- Iliana Clark Pulaski High School



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Reflections from Mel Keischnick on "Competition"

(CUEM Board Member, Emeritus)

"Being part of a team is a very rewarding and learning experience. Learning to lose (which we did often) taught me that life often has bitter losses and I have experienced and survived my share of them in the many years since I last played college sports - and being on losing teams prepared me well to be a fan of the San Diego Padres and Chargers."

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