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***AWARDS RECOGNITION***

**October 27, 2016**

**Hyatt Regency, Cincinnati, Ohio**

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**WELCOME**

**Lorrie Kubaszewski, OMLA President**

**EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR**

**Nancy Wanyerka, Cuyahoga Heights Middle School**

**TEAM OF THE YEAR**

**Jeff Cicerchi Award Coordinator**

**Shiloh Middle School**

*Joanie Gedeon, Michelle Giles, Christopher Keating,  
Jena Patton, Megan O'Hara, Principal Nicola Discenza*

**OUTSTANDING COMPONENT AWARDS**

**Michael Kauffeld & Adam Taylor**

*Award Coordinators*

**Hastings Middle School, Interdisciplinary Curriculum**

*Mr. Robb Gonda, Principal*

**Hudson Middle School, Teaming**

*Dr. Kimberly Cockley, Principal*

**Teays Valley West Middle School, Scheduling**

*Mr. Michael Kauffeld, Principal*

**REGIONAL AWARDS**

**Robert Sehlhorst, OMLA Vice-president**

**Central Region**

**Michael Kauffeld, Regional Rep.**

**Best Middle Level Practice: Grant Middle School, Principal Adam Kunkle**

**Student Advocacy: Phoenix Middle School, Principal Adham Schirg**

**Student Advisory and Mentoring: Jones Middle School, Principal Jason Fine**

**East Region**

**Tiffany Shaw, Regional Rep.**

**Middle Level Advocacy: Mandy Gardinsky, Perry Local Schools**

**Community Engagement: Tusky Valley Intermediate School, Principal**

*Diana Flickinger*

**Best Middle Level Practice: Debbie Metzger, Indian Valley Middle School**

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**REGIONAL AWARDS (continued)**

**North Central Region**

**Kelli Cogan, Regional Rep.**

**Student Advocacy: Olmsted Falls Middle School, Principal Mark Kurz**

**Student Advocacy: Stephanie Coultrip, South Amherst Middle School**

**Student & Staff Spirit and Advocacy: Bridget Bellomy & Brittany Cioffoletti,  
North Ridgeville Middle School**

**Scheduling: Sailorway Middle School, Principal Brian Zeller**

**Northeast Region**

**Michelle Koussa, Regional Rep.**

**Best Middle Level Practice: Allison Golem, Mayfield Middle School**

**Best Middle Level Practice: Meredith Stanton, North Royalton Middle School**

**Community Engagement: Wadsworth Middle School, Principal Eric Jackson**

**Northwest Region**

**Lee Stockhaus, Regional Rep.**

**Interdisciplinary Project: Bluffton Middle School, Principal Kyle Leatherman**

**Community Engagement: Van Buren Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Team,  
Principal Jay Clark**

**Student Advocacy: Defiance Middle School, Principal Richard Peters**

**Southeast Region**

**Kristen Lavric, Regional Rep.**

**Best Middle Level Practice: Kathy Finley-Boggs, Marietta Middle School**

**Outstanding Middle Level Program: Diane Downard, University of Rio Grande**

**Outstanding Middle Level Program: Makena Miller, New Lexington Middle School**

**Southwest Region**

**Timothy Spinner, Regional Rep.**

**Best Middle Level Practice in Math: Steve France, Kings Junior High School**

**Best Middle Level Practice in Science: Heidi Strong, Kings Junior High School**

**Student Advocacy: Gretchen Tash, Princeton Community Middle School**

**West Region**

**Tracey Kramer, Regional Rep.**

**Best Middle Level Practice: Parkway Middle School Staff, Principal Brian Woods**

**Best Middle Level Practice: Morton Middle School PBIS Committee, Principal  
Shannon White**

**Best Instructional Practices: Angela McMurry, Darke County ESC**

**CLOSING**

**Tiffany Shaw**

*Awards Reception Chair*