



Tania Harman

2009 Indiana Teacher of the Year

School	Warren Primary Center, South Bend Community School Corporation
Experience	20 years
Grade Level	First and second
Education	M.A. Indiana University, South Bend B.S. Bethel College
Honors	Warren Primary Center Teacher of the Year, 2008 Wilson Primary Center Teacher of the Year, 2005 SBCSC Honors Group, 2005 Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2004 Walmart Teacher of the Year, 2004 Disney Spirit of Teaching Award Nominee, 2003 Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2000 Warren Elementary Teacher of the Year, 1997 SBCSC Honors Group, 1997 Monroe Elementary Teacher of the Year, 1993 SBCSC Honors Group, 1993



What Tania is saying . . .

"Every student does not learn the same way, at the same pace, nor have the same schema to build on for meaningful lessons. My lessons reflect that knowledge. I present information to my students based on the effort I make to get to know them, and I differentiate instruction in order to teach to their differing strengths . . . Knowing my students is a powerful way to get to the heart of a lesson for each individual."

"Teaching is a privilege that enables me to passionately inspire students, colleagues, parents and me - What greater reward can there be than this?"

"Cultural competency cannot begin and end in the classroom. Collectively, as a nation, we need to support ALL students, and not just by test scores. Educators have the first degree of responsibility to make certain that our diverse populations succeed in our society. Great teachers must rise to this challenge."

What others are saying . . .

"The deep-seated conviction that every student matters, that one teacher can make a difference, especially focused on the extraordinary efforts she uses to ensure her language minority students excel academically, is observed daily."

Carla Killelea, Principal

Warren Primary Center, South Bend Community School Corporation

"It is obvious that Tania loves her profession and the children in her care. She gives of her time unselfishly to set children on the right path to make the most of their talents as young citizens growing in their new community."

Kathleen C. Miller

Warren Primary Center Teacher of the Year 2007

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"It has been with Tania's help that the [College Academy of Tutoring] Program has been able to place seven bilingual Saint Mary's students as teachers' assistants in the English as a New Language (ENL) classrooms at Warren - providing each and every ENL classroom with at least one ENL assistant."

Olivia Barzydlo, CAT Program Director

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