Nadine Sangston Named District Teacher of the Year for 2013-14

This year’s University Place School District Teacher of the Year award was presented to Curtis High School math teacher and department chair Nadine Sangston, according to a news release.

Sangston, who has been teaching math at the school for 28 years, was named Teacher of the Year for 2013-14 by the University Place School District.

“Nadine Sangston has been an asset to the University Place School District for many years,” said District Superintendent Dr. Stuart Dodge. “Her teaching skills and commitment to improving student learning have made a significant impact on the lives of our students.”

Sangston was nominated by her peers and was selected by a panel of district administrators.

This year’s Teacher of the Year award was presented to Sangston at a ceremony held at the district’s annual summer institute.

In her role as math department chair, Sangston has been instrumental in developing a school-wide math program and has provided professional development opportunities for teachers.

Sangston has also been actively involved in the University Place Education Association, serving as president and representing the interests of teachers and students.

“Sangston has a passion for teaching and for helping her students achieve their full potential,” said Dodge. “She is a true role model for our students and for all of us who have the privilege of working with her.”

Sangston has been a member of the University Place School District since 1985 and has taught a variety of courses, including algebra, geometry, and trigonometry.

She is a graduate of the University of Washington and holds a master’s degree in mathematics education.

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Sangston said she was honored to be named Teacher of the Year and thanked her colleagues and students for their support.

“Being named Teacher of the Year is an honor, but more importantly, it is a reminder of the importance of education and the impact it can have on our community,” said Sangston. “I am grateful for the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our students.”

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- Social Studies Scholarship

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- Jacob carPenter

- AA Scholarship, Washington State Honors

- Kiwanis Club; Undergraduate Secretary

- ElizaBeth clare

- Achievement Award

- Rachel chow

- Academic Achievement Award

- Julia chong

- Honor Graduate; Service Award

- Micah choi

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- Galen chen

- United States Navy, Texas A&M University

- Outstanding Business Scholarship, University of Washington

- Gabriel feJeran

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