# Annual Report Mathematics Education Trust

This report covers the program year 2010: June 1, 2009, to May 31, 2010.





### **Purpose**

The Mathematics Education Trust (MET) channels the generosity of contributors through the creation and funding of grants, awards, honors, and other projects that support the improvement of mathematics teaching and learning.

MET provides funds to support classroom teachers in the areas of **improving classroom practices and increasing** 

teachers' mathematical knowledge. MET also sponsors activities for prospective teachers and NCTM's Affiliates, as well as recognizing the lifetime achievement of leaders in mathematics education.



# **Emerging Teacher-Leaders in Elementary School Mathematics Grants**

Supported by the Irene Etkowicz Eizen Fund and NCTM, awards grants of up to \$6,000 to increase the breadth and depth of the mathematics content knowledge of elementary school teachers who have demonstrated a commitment to mathematics teaching and learning. Grants were awarded to the following teachers:

Maidie E. Meckley, B.D. Gullett Elementary School, Bradenton, Florida

Rewa W. Chisholm, Mango Elementary School, Seffner, Florida

### **School In-Service Training Grants**

Supported by the Clarence Olander Fund and NCTM, gives grants of up to \$4,000 to schools for in-service

education in mathematics. Grants were awarded to the following schools:

Grades Pre-K-5: Enos Garcia Elementary School, Taos, New Mexico

Grades 6–8: McAuliffe Regional Charter Public School, Framingham, Massachusetts

Grades 9-12: Mandarin High School, Jacksonville, Florida

## Improving Classroom Instruction

# **Using Music to Teach Mathematics Grants**

Supported by the Esther Mendlesohn Fund and NCTM, provides grants of up to \$3,000 to full-time teachers currently working at the grades pre-K-2 level for projects and activities that use music to teach mathematical skills and concepts. A grant was awarded to the following teacher:

Gina Grenier, Harwich Elementary School, Harwich, Massachusetts

# **Engaging Students in Learning Mathematics Grants**

Supported by the Veryl Schult–Ellen Hocking Fund, awards grants of up to \$3,000 to full-time teachers currently working at the grades 6–8 level to incorporate creative use of materials to engage students actively in tasks and experiences designed to deepen and connect their mathematics content knowledge. Grants were awarded to the following teachers:

Kevin A. Corwin, Sarasota School of Arts and Sciences, Sarasota, Florida

Mary E. Jones, Southeast Bulloch Middle School, Brooklet, Georgia



### **Equity in Mathematics Grants**

Supported by the Iris Carl Fund and NCTM, awards grants of up to \$8,000 for full-time grades 6–8 teachers for projects aimed at narrowing a documented local mathematics performance gap between groups of their students. Grants were awarded to the following teachers:

Rhonda R. Wade, Lake Jackson Intermediate School, Lake Jackson, Texas

Carrie L. Malinowski, Deer Creek Middle School, Littleton,



### **Mathematics Content**

# **Improving Students' Understanding of Geometry Grants**

Supported by the John & Stacey Wahl Fund, awards grants of up to \$4,000 to full-time grades pre-K-8 teachers to develop a project or activities that will enable students to appreciate and understand better some aspect of geometry that is consistent with NCTM's Principles and Standards for School Mathematics. A grant was awarded to the following teacher:

Paul J. Healy, Skyview Middle School, Leominster, Massachusetts

# **Connecting Mathematics to Other Subject Areas Grants**

Supported by the Theoni Pappas Fund, provides grants of up to \$4,000 to full-time grades 9–12 teachers to develop classroom materials or lessons

connecting mathematics to other disciplines or careers. A grant was awarded to the following teacher:

Marizza A. Bailey, Alhambra College Preparatory High School, Phoenix, Arizona

### Research

### **Classroom Research Grants**

Grants of up to \$6,000 are provided to support collaborative classroom-based action research in precollege mathematics education involving college or university mathematics educators. Grants were awarded to the following teacher teams:

Grades Pre-K-6 (Supported by the Edward G. Begle Fund and NCTM): Debbie J. Short, Jeffery Elementary School, Kenosha, Wisconsin, with Prisca R. Moore, Carthage College, Kenosha, Wisconsin

Grades 7–12 (Supported by the E. Glenadine Gibb Fund and NCTM): Carrie M. Fisher, Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, New York, with Christopher A.N. Kurz, Rochester Institute of Technology



# Increasing Teachers' Mathematical Knowledge

# **Mathematics Course Work Mathematics Graduate Course Work Scholarships**

Supported by the Dale Seymour Fund and NCTM, gives scholarships of up to \$2,000 to full-time classroom teachers working at the required grade level to pursue graduate courses to improve their mathematics content knowledge. A scholarship was awarded to the following teacher:

Grades 9–12: Kellie E. Nowak, Adrian High School, Adrian, Michigan

# **Teacher Professional Development Grants**

Grants of up to \$3,000 are provided to classroom teachers currently working at the required grade level to improve their own professional competence as classroom teachers of mathematics. Grants were awarded to the following teachers:

Grades Pre-K-5 (Supported by the John Van de Walle Fund): Nicholas J. Mack, Integrated Arts Academy at the H.O. Wheeler Elementary School, Burlington, Vermont

Grades 6–8 (Supported by the Mary Dolciani Fund and NCTM): Nina L. Sudnick, Athens Middle School, Athens, Ohio

Grades 9–12 (Supported by the Mary Dolciani Fund and NCTM): Kristina P. Sorrells, Salem Academy, Winston-Salem, North Carolina



# **Summer Mathematics Study Grants**

Supported by NCTM, awards grants with a maximum of \$6,000 to grades 6–8 classroom teachers who are seeking to improve their understanding of mathematics by completing course work in mathematics content. A grant was awarded to the following teacher:

Rebecca L. Damas, Trevor Day School, New York, New York

# **Program of Mathematics Study & Active Professionalism Grants**

Supported Lola J. May-Shirley M. Frye Fund, awards a program grant (study plan for a one-year, a two-year, or a three-year program) of up to \$24,000 to a classroom grades pre-K-6 teacher seeking to improve his or her understanding and appreciation of mathematics by (1) completing course work in school mathematics content and pedagogy working toward an advanced degree, and (2) taking an active professional approach toward teaching mathematics. A grant was awarded to the following teacher:

Robin Lynn Kinman, Forsyth School, St. Louis, Missouri

# **Prospective Secondary Teacher Course Work Scholarships**

Supported by the Texas Instruments Demana-Waits Fund, awards scholarships up to \$10,000 each to full-time college or university sophomores who are pursuing a career goal of becoming a certified teacher of secondary (grades 7–12) school mathematics. A scholarship was awarded to the following student:

2009-2011: Madison Shipley, attending University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas



### NCTM Conference Attendance

# **Prospective Teacher NCTM Conference Attendance Awards**

Supported by the Julius H. Hlavaty Fund and NCTM, gives awards for travel and subsistence expenses to help support attendance at an NCTM annual or regional meeting by full-time undergraduate students who are NCTM student members and are preparing to be precollege mathematics teachers. Funds of up to \$1,200 (and registration) were awarded to the following student to attend the San Diego Annual Meeting and Exposition:

Christina A. Fonstad, attending the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada

### Future Leaders Initial NCTM Annual Meeting Attendance Awards

Supported by the Edwin I. Stein Fund and NCTM, gives awards for travel, subsistence expenses, and substitute teacher costs of NCTM members who are full-time mathematics teachers in grades pre-K–12 and have never attended an NCTM annual meeting. Funds of up to \$1,200 (and registration) each were awarded to the following



teachers to attend the San Diego Annual Meeting and Exposition:

James P. Bywater, Jones College Prep High School, Chicago, Illinois

Marria Q. Carrington, Maurice A. Donahue Elementary School, Holyoke, Massachusetts

Elizabeth McEvoy, El Toyon School, National City, California

Claire M. Redmond, Mandarin Oaks Elementary School, Jacksonville, Florida

Beth Ann Tiedeman, Marshall Middle School, Wexford, Pennsylvania



# ADDITIONAL MET INITIATIVES

# **NCTM Lifetime Achievement Awards**

The NCTM Lifetime Achievement Awards are designed to honor members of NCTM who have exhibited a lifetime of achievement in mathematics education at the national level. Awards were presented to the following NCTM members:

Henry O. Pollak, Summit, New Jersey

Harry B. Tunis, Reston, Virginia

#### **NCTM Affiliate Grants**

Supported by the Kenneth B. Cummins Fund and NCTM, three grants are available to the NCTM Affiliates: The Kenneth B. Cummins Grant for Partner Affiliates (\$3,000 maximum); the Associate Affiliate Grant (\$2,000 maximum); and the Student Affiliate Grant (\$1,500 maximum). These grants are awarded to Affiliates in good standing to initiate professional activities or programs that might otherwise not be possible. The Affiliate Services Committee (ASC) oversees the Affiliate grant process.

#### Kenneth B. Cummins Grant

The following Affiliate was awarded \$3,000:

Associated Teachers of Mathematics in Connecticut

### Associate Affiliate Grant

The following Affiliate was awarded \$2,000:

Adult Numeracy Network

### Student Affiliate Grant

The following Affiliate was awarded \$1,100:

Mathematics Education Student Association of the University of Georgia

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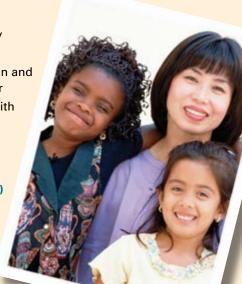
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Persons may establish awards in honor of individuals, contribute to existing named funds (see below), or make a donation to help support all MET programs. MET will consider new award programs that are offered for periods of 5, 10, 15, or 20 years.

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