

Resolution of the State Administrator and Board of Education of the
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution No. 0708-0111

**Tribute to the 2007
Oakland Unified School District Teacher of the Year**

Paul McDermott

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott is an outstanding 4th and 5th Grade SEI Multiple Subject teacher at Sobrante Park Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott now has eight years of experience teaching a variety of subjects to Oakland Unified's 4th and 5th grade students; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott believes that the teacher-student relationship must have a foundation of trust and respect in order to truly get results; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott asks his students to buy into a collaborative system of learning based on mutual respect, constant inquiry and social responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott believes strongly in empowering his students to claim the classroom as their own; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott's students have demonstrated some of the finest test scores in both the Oakland Unified School District and the State of California; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott's instruction results in 90 percent of his students being promoted at or above grade level proficiency; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott is a strong collaborator and an avid supporter of fellow Teachers who provide ready assistance with management and instructional issues; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott's natural leadership qualities make all those around him better at fulfilling their roles and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Paul McDermott sets an example from which every employee of Oakland Unified can benefit,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Administrator and the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District recognize and commend Paul McDermott as 2007 Teacher of the Year for the Oakland Unified School District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Administrator and the Board of Education expresses the deep appreciation of the District and the community for Paul's exceptional commitment to the academic achievement of Oakland's school children.

Given under our hand and the District's seal this 31st day of October, 2007 at Oakland, California.

Original framed copy signed

Vincent Matthews
Interim State Administrator
Oakland Unified School District

David Kakishiba
President, Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District

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