



Haddonfield School District 2022 Governor's Educator of the Year or Educational Support Person of the Year



On December 6, 2022, school administrators surprised **Ron Smith** with the news that he had been named **Governor's Educator of the Year** for Haddonfield Memorial High School.

L to R Assistant Principal Dan Licata, Principal Tammy McHale, Superintendent Chuck Klaus, *Smith*, Assistant Superintendent Gino Priolo, Dean of Students Greg Eiding.

RON SMITH, faculty, science
HADDONFIELD MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

In October, school districts throughout New Jersey began soliciting nominations for the **Governor's Educator of the Year** program. Parents, students and even other district employees were encouraged to submit nominations for either a teacher or educational support person whose performance has been outstanding.

We received more than 200 nominations, a testament to the fact that Haddonfield School District has a large number of excellent teachers and staff. Committees were formed, one for each school, consisting of teachers, parents, students, board members and administrators who met to review all submissions. Finally they narrowed the field to nine talented and dedicated individuals, including Ron!

Here are just a few of the statements made on his nomination forms:

Ron is the epitome of a skilled and dedicated educator.

Ron has created a Citizen Science program that is unlike anything found in the area and certainly unlike anything being offered at any of the local high schools.

"Do you know what Mr. Smith taught me?" is a question I have heard numerous times at the dinner table.