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**TUCSON VALUES TEACHERS PRESENTED THE NOVEMBER TEACHER
EXCELLENCE AWARD TO KAREN RIMMELL**

TUCSON, Ariz. — Tucson Values Teachers (TVT) presented the November Teacher Excellence Award to Karen Rimmell, an English teacher at Pueblo High School in Tucson Unified School District. Rimmell has spent her entire 17-year career in education at Pueblo.

Rimmell, a National Board Certified Teacher, currently teaches Honors 10 English and AP Language and Composition. In addition to her classes, Rimmell serves as the school's Yearbook Sponsor.

Kathy Booth nominated Rimmell for the Teacher Excellence Award. In her nominating statement, Booth said Rimmell is responsible for bringing back the yearbook so that, "students at her school can be Pueblo proud to highlight most of the school's activities and awards."

Booth went on to say that Rimmel "spends extra hours both at home and on campus to make sure her students are challenged to excel in their studies. Many of her students have qualified for scholarships to colleges throughout the United States because of her guidance."

Tucson Values Teachers spotlights quality Southern Arizona teachers every month. Teachers are nominated through Tucson Values Teachers' website by colleagues, students, friends, and other community members. Winners of the Teacher Excellence Award receive \$250 cash courtesy of Helios Education Foundation, a \$100 gift card for classroom materials, and flowers.

More information about the Teacher Excellence Award, including the nomination form, can be found at www.tucsonvaluesteachers.org.

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Tucson Values Teachers (TVT) is a business and education partnership focused on helping schools and districts attract, retain and support the very best teachers for every PreK-12 classroom in Southern Arizona. The organization recognizes the critical role teachers play in student achievement and the vital influence they have on Tucson's future. It does this work by raising public awareness of the value of the teaching profession while providing programs that benefit teachers economically and professionally. For more information and to support TVT, visit tucsonvaluesteachers.org or call (520) 327-7619.