

Judith Dzikowski Receives Distinguished Service Award

Judith Dzikowski, Director of the Onondaga-Cortland-Madison School Library System, is the recipient of the 2009 Distinguished Service Award from the School Library Systems Association of New York State (SLSA).

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to a School Library System Director whose work exemplifies six areas of consideration: professional leadership, professional service, information sharing, collaboration, quality programs and creative service.

Judith Marsh, SLSA President, made the following remarks during the award presentation at the SLMS Conference in Saratoga Springs. "As Director of the Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES School Library System, your creative and enthusiastic leadership are well known. You developed a nationally recognized project called Partners in Achievement: Libraries and Students (PALS) which received the prestigious Highsmith Research Grant Award." This collaborative effort between administrators and school library media specialists has influenced library instruction and information literacy throughout the country.

Judi serves on numerous committees, both statewide and nationally, and is a past president of SLSA. Her recent election to the office of Chair-Elect of the Supervisor's Section of the American Association of School Librarians is indicative of the respect she has earned from colleagues throughout the country.

Congratulations, Judi.