

# Nancy Y. Smith

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## Current Employment

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*August 1993-Present*

Lafayette High School-Wildwood, MO

Tenured Language Arts teacher, Publications Adviser (newspaper 1993-present, yearbook 1995-present, DVD yearbook 2006-present)

Courses Taught: Design & Desktop Publishing, Writing and Reporting, Multimedia Yearbook Production (DVD), Yearbook Production, Newspaper Production, 9th Grade Language Arts, 10th Grade Language Arts, Senior Composition

## Professional Activities and Responsibilities

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- Quill and Scroll sponsor (1993-present)
- CIA (Teacher/Administrator Problem Solving) committee member (1995-2008)
- Publications Coordinator (Student Handbook (1993-present), Heartland Renaissance publications 1993-present, NHS Induction program (1993-present), Fine Arts programs (2000-present)
- District Curriculum Writing Committee (1998, 2003, 2005, 2008)
- LHS Staff Development instructor (1999)
- Back to School Professional Development committee (2004, 2005, 2006)
- District Memorials Policy Committee (2005)
- North Central Accreditation co-chair for Writing Committee (1999)
- Co-author/designer for Lafayette's Redbook "America's Best Schools" entry (1996)
- Writing committee member for Lafayette's National Blue Ribbon application (2002)
- Junior Class sponsor (1994-1996)
- Curriculum Advisory Council representative (2000-2003, 2011)
- Sign Language Club sponsor (2004-2005)
- Lancer Award committee (2003-2009)
- Technology Award committee (2003-2008)
- Lancer Project Award committee (2004-2005)

## Honors and Awards

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- 2009 Journalism Education Association Yearbook Adviser of the Year competition Distinguished Adviser
- 2008 St. Louis Press Club Journalism Teacher of the Year
- 2008 Emerson Excellence in Teaching Award
- 2007-2008 Missouri Teacher of the Year Finalist
- 2006-2007 Rockwood School District Teacher of the Year
- 2006-2007 Lafayette High School Teacher of the Year
- 2007 Journalism Education Association Yearbook Adviser of the Year competition Special Recognition Adviser
- 2005-2006 Dow Jones Newspaper Fund Special Recognition Adviser
- 2005 Nominee for the U.S. Dept. of Education American Stars of Teaching Award
- Master Journalism Educator status awarded by the Journalism Education Association (2002)
- Earned Certified Journalism Educator status by the Journalism Education Association (1999)
- Lafayette H.S. Teacher of the Year Finalist (2000-2001, 2003-2004, 2004-2005)
- Who's Who Among America's High School Teachers nominee (1995, 1998, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2006)
- ROSE Award nominee (2003, 2005, 2007)
- 2007 *Legend DVD* earned National Scholastic Pacemaker Award (one of three nationally)
- Missouri Journalism Teacher of the Year nominee (2004)
- John M. Kastner Board of Education Award recipient (1994, 2003)
- Technology Award winner (2002)
- Woman of Character Award (January 2004)
- Staff Member of the Month (February 2004)
- Staff-to Staff Award (October 2005)
- SISPA Yearbook Adviser of the Year (1992)
- Presenter for St. Clair County, IL Young Authors Conference (1993)

## Professional Activities-Scholastic Journalism

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- JEA Spring National Write-off Contest Co-Chair 2010-present
- Sponsors of School Publications of Greater St. Louis Co-President 2008-2010 and 2004-2006 (other offices from 1994-present include vice president, public relations and contest coordinator)
- JEA/NSPA Fall 2008 Conference Local Write-Off Co-Chair
  - JEA Adviser's Institute Instructor Summer 2007-2010
- Arkansas Scholastic Press Association Summer Workshop Instructor Summer 2007-present
- JEA Scholastic Press Rights Commission Member November 2005-2011
- Herff Jones Summer Featured Speaker YBK-STL 2002-present
- Judge for various state journalism contests and annual NSPA conference speaker (2000-present)
- Kent State University student mentor 2004-2009
- Keynote Speaker for the Arkansas Scholastic Press Association Spring Conference April 2007, April 2010
- Featured Speaker at Taylor Publishing Company Summer Workshop in Huntsville, TX Summer 2006
- Featured Speaker at Georgia EXPO yearbook conference Summer 2005, Summer 2011
- Herff Jones Summer camp instructor (Midwest Yearbook Experience) 1996-2004
- Jostens Summer Yearbook camp instructor 1989-1994
- Ball State University Summer Media Workshops instructor Summer 1994, 1995
- Southern Illinois School Press Association 1988-1993 (executive committee; newsletter editor; Spring Conference Co-director)
- Illinois Journalism Education Association Board member 1992-1993

## Professional/Community Activities

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- Spring 2008 Keynote Speaker for Cooperating School District conference
- Fall 2008 Ownesville School District Opening Day Speaker for staff members
- Blevins Elementary Bobcat Beat teacher/coordinator: newspaper produced by 5th graders 2004-2005
- Rockwood Mothers of Multiples member 2000-2005

## Previous Employment

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Belleville Township High School West -Belleville, IL from Fall 1986-Spring 1993

Tenured English teacher, Publications Adviser (newspaper 1986-1993 and yearbook 1989-1992)

Taught: English 9, Journalism, Newspaper, Yearbook, Advanced Writing, Literary Explorations (remedial)

**Professional Activities:** Production Coordinator (parent newsletter, student handbook, curriculum guide (1987-1993); Citizenship Award Committee Chair (1986-1993); Discipline Committee (1990-1993), North Central Student Activities Committee Chair (1990-1991)

## Education

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*1986: Bachelor of Arts in English Education & minor in journalism from Eastern Illinois University-Charleston, IL*

## Honors and Activities

- 1986 Warbler* (yearbook) Editor in Chief (earned Society of Collegiate Journalists Gold Medal)
  - Daily Eastern News* positions (Administration Editor, Editorial Writer, Assistant News Editor, News Editor, Development Director, Scholastic Press Liaison)
  - Dean's List 1982-1986
  - Howard deForest Widger Award (English Department honor)
  - Outstanding Senior nominee
  - Lincoln Academy Student Laureate Award nominee
  - National Endowment for the Humanities Undergraduate Fellowship recipient
  - Sigma Tau Delta English honorary member
  - Student Publications Board representative
  - Mortar Board Vice President
  - Society for Collegiate Journalists member
- 1998: Master of Arts in Educational Processes from Maryville University-St. Louis, MO*  
*1990-present completed add'l Graduate Hours/Professional Development:* 36 hours in Instructional Technology from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, 6 hours in Press Law from EIU, 6 hours of desktop publishing/publications design courses from Ball State University  
*Professional Development:* Journalism Education Association Adviser's Institute attendee in Summer 2002, 2005