



Teacher of the Month
April 2005

Elissa Steeves – Pulaski County High School

The selection committee respectfully requests that Elissa C. Steeves of the Pulaski County High School Technical Education center be named as Teacher of the Month for April 2005. Elissa is a graduate of VA Tech with a B.S. in horticulture and a M.S. in education. She has taught horticulture at the high school for twenty-five (25) years.

Elissa was nominated by several of her colleagues. Many of them commented on her significant service to the students of Pulaski County through her superior knowledge of horticulture and her genuine love for teaching. Students of all abilities have been successful in her exciting classes. Not only does Ms. Steeves teach quality lessons and activities for her high school students, she also works with the young children in the Child Care Center as well as adult students in evening classes.

Ms. Steeves has also brought positive recognition to herself and Pulaski County as she has been featured in regional and national publications. Perhaps the best summarizing statement was written by one former student who said: "Ms. Steeves has encouraged me to become an agriculture teacher. She has a way of individualizing her teachings so that every student benefits."

Ms. Steeves contributions to Pulaski County High School's students, staff and parents reflect great credit on her and the Pulaski County Public Schools.