



December 2005
Teacher of the Month

Amy Brooks

The selection committee is proud to recommend that Mrs. Amy G. Brooks, first grade teacher at Newbern Elementary School, be named as Teacher of the Month for December 2005. Amy is a graduate of Radford University. She has been an employee of Pulaski County Public Schools for twenty-six (26) years. Mrs. Brooks began her career as a kindergarten teacher at Jefferson Elementary School and has taught first grade at Newbern Elementary since January, 1984. It should also be noted that Amy was named Teacher of the Month for November 2003.

Amy has distinguished herself as a dedicated teacher who finds ways of bringing joy, enthusiasm and excitement to each daily activity. She is described as a caring and nurturing individual who finds ways of bringing out the best in every child. Mrs. Brooks goes out of her way to make her students feel safe and respected. One parent in particular praised Amy for her gentle but firm approach to teaching and reports that she has left a lasting impression that her entire family will treasure for years to come.

Mrs. Brooks has truly outstanding teaching skills and her students always make great gains academically. However the most telling reason for her being named Teacher of the Month may come from a former student who is currently a ninth grader. He says: "Today Mrs. Brooks is the only teacher I ever had who made me feel important. I will never forget her."

Mrs. Brook's dedication and passion combined with her talents and experience offer huge contributions to Newbern Elementary School's students, staff and parents. These characteristics reflect great credit on her and the Pulaski County Public Schools.