



Teacher of the Month **February 2006**

Deanna Spraker

The selection committee respectfully requests that Deanna K. Spraker of the Pulaski County High School science department be named as Teacher of the Month for February, 2006. Deanna has a BS in science education from Bluefield State College and a MS in science curriculum and instruction from VA Tech.. Ms. Spraker has been a teacher for ten (10) years and currently teaches biology at PCHS.

Ms. Spraker is an outstanding teacher who motivates and inspires her students with instructional expertise and boundless energy and enthusiasm. She has an engaging personality and is respected by both students and colleagues. Her classroom activities incorporate hands on activities, technology, and real life applications. Deanna is routinely successful in motivating her students and making learning a meaningful and enjoyable endeavor. Just one example of Ms. Spraker's ability to allow her students to demonstrate their mastery of complex subject matter in a fun and entertaining way was her sponsorship of "Bio-Bedazzlement". This mini science fair blended graphs and flowcharts with skits, music, and poems performed by her students as they shared their individual science projects.

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