

# *Golden Apple Award*

## *Mrs. Lana Syverson*

*April 2, 2012*

Mrs. Lana Syverson is a teacher who genuinely makes a difference in the lives of her students. She has the skills to motivate students in her classes, and she inspires her students to reach for the stars.

A key aspect that separates Lana from other talented teachers is her ability to connect with at-risk students. She has visited the homes of students on numerous occasions to encourage them to stay in school. Numerous students would not have walked across the stage and received a diploma without her influence in their lives.

Lana started teaching in the school district at Skyview High School in 1991, and in 2000 moved to Soldotna High School. For twenty-one years she has been educating students for their future. And, in 2011, 2007, and 2003 she was the keynote speaker at Soldotna High School graduation sending students forward with a message to remember.

Active with numerous activities, and serving on nearly every committee, including leading the SoHi staff development committee, Lana is a compassionate and dedicated teacher who motivates educators that work side-by-side with her.

We, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education, are proud to recognize Mrs. Lana Syverson for her dedication to the students, parents, and staff at Soldotna High School, and for her years of service in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.