

COMMENDATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS
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High School

High School Science Teacher Douglas Petrick has been selected as a 2018 WileyPLUS Nexty Award Winner in the category of Best Overall Course.

This award recognizes instructors who have developed exemplary courses that are evaluated on four major areas: course design, assessment, integration of adaptive practice, and overall usage metrics.

Upper St. Clair High School utilizes the WileyPLUS course management software for the school's Advanced Placement Physics 1 course. Originally developed by Mr. Petrick and John Irwin, a retired teacher, the course supplements the traditional classroom experience.

In addition to using WileyPLUS for the AP Physics course, Mr. Petrick serves as a content contributor to The Wiley Network – creating blogposts and podcasts. The content focuses on instructional strategies, methods to motivate students and ideas for educators from the high school and college levels.

Boyce

Boyce Middle School fifth grader Aiden Joyce earned first place in the 3rd – 5th grade category of the 2018 National Chemistry Week illustrated poem contest, sponsored by the Pittsburgh Section of the American Chemical Society.

Students were tasked with writing and illustrating a poem using the National Chemistry Week theme, "Chemistry is Out of This World."

Entries were judged on relevance to and incorporation of the theme, word choice and imagery, colorful artwork, adherence to poem style, originality, creativity and overall presentation.

As a 1st place winner, Aiden received \$50 and has had her poem entered into a national contest.