



WFYI PUBLIC MEDIA ANNOUNCES WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP TEACHER SELECTED FOR 2014 PBS LEARNINGMEDIA DIGITAL INNOVATORS PROGRAM

Steve Auslander, 5th Grade Teacher at Allisonville Elementary School is Recognized for Use of Digital Media and Technology in Classrooms

Indianapolis, IN, April 18, 2014 — WFYI Public Media is pleased to announce that Steve Auslander, a 5th grade teacher at Allisonville Elementary School in Metropolitan School District of Washington Township, is one of the 100 educators selected for the **2014 PBS LearningMedia Digital Innovators program**. The program rewards tech-savvy K-12 educators from across the country that are serving as leaders in the education technology space and incorporating digital media in classrooms to promote student engagement and achievement with year-long hands-on and virtual professional development opportunities.

"WFYI is proud to recognize Steve Auslander for his dedication to truly changing the way students learn through technology and digital media," said Gail Thomas Strong, Vice President of Community Engagement at WFYI Public Media. "We are honored to provide educators with one-of-a-kind resources, tools and trainings that will further enhance their skills and enable them to share these skills with other educators in the Central Indiana community."

The 2014 PBS LearningMedia Digital Innovators will receive year-long professional development opportunities that include virtual trainings, access to premium and exclusive resources, and invitations to special events. In addition, the top 16 applicants will serve as leads of the program and will receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. to participate in a two-day digital education summit where participants will engage in hands-on learning, collaborate with peers and hear from digital technology thought leaders.

The full list of the 2014 PBS LearningMedia Digital Innovators is available at http://www.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/digitalinnovators.

PBS LearningMedia received hundreds of applications from leading teachers throughout the U.S. and its territories. An esteemed group of judges selected the 100 educators based on submissions of videos and written essays that addressed how they are leading innovation in digital teaching in their classrooms and schools.

About WFYI Public Media

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About PBS LearningMedia

As America's largest classroom, teachers of children from pre-K through 12th grade turn to PBS for digital content and services that help bring classroom lessons to life. PBS LearningMedia, a partnership of PBS and WGBH Educational Foundation, is a free media-on-demand service

offering educators access to the best of public media and delivers research-based, classroom-ready digital learning experiences to engage students in exploring curriculum concepts that align with National and Common Core State Standards. Nationwide, more than 1.4 million teachers have registered access to more than 35,000 digital resources available through PBS LearningMedia. More information about PBS LearningMedia is available at www.pbslearningmedia.org or by following PBS LearningMedia on Twitter and Facebook.

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