

## 2008 ~ CUT BANK HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER RECOGNITION



**Ashlee Mead ~ Business Administration**  
**Jerry Grinder ~ Business**

I've had Mr. Grinder as a teacher for four years. Needless to say, we "go way back". he encouraged me to join Business professionals of America and thought BPA would be a good experience for me. Indeed, it has been. Mr. Grinder has always been there for me. I truly appreciate the time and effort he has invested in me and his confidence in me to aspire in the accounting field and in life.



**Billie Grady ~ Radiologic Technology**  
**Kathleen "Casey" Woldtvedt ~ Biology**

Mrs. Woldtvedt has been my teacher for the past three years. I have always been a science buff, but mrs. Woldtvedt sparked my interest. She make learning enjoyable with her easy going nature and fun personality. Her passion for science shines through while she teaches. Her enthusiasm keeps her student interested. She helped me learn various things that will help me throughout life.



**Bret Peterson ~ Petroleum Engineering**  
**Lisa Faber ~ Math**

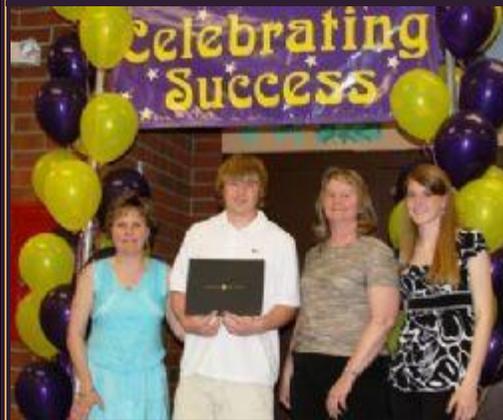
Mrs. FAber is a very dedicated teacher who is always concerned with her student's success. She cares about her students and she wants them to do well. This is what makes her such a great teacher. She does her best to make sure you understand what she is teaching and if you don't understand, she offers help after school. She pushes me to do my best and always has some words of encouragement.

**Brian Brauhn ~ Petroleum Engineering**  
**Dell Meuchel ~ Social Studies**



The reason Mr. Meuchel had an impact on my high school career is because he would encourage me to do my best. While he pushed me, he understands that people have a life outside of school. So when I would struggle at something and I asked for help, he would help me. He knew how to make things a lot easier to understand.

**Brian Lindberg ~~ Electronics/Computer Technology**  
**Dawn Blair ~~ Band**



Mrs. Blair has taught me patience and how to work with younger students and adults during my teachers aide class. Mrs. Blair is also very forgiving and understanding. She has taught me to be organized, work hard and volunteer your time and I appreciate everything she has taught me and I know I will be able to use all of the skills she has taught me throughout my whole life.

**Brittani Duncan ~~ Nursing**  
**Kathleen "Casey" Woldtvedt ~~ Biology & Investigative Science Inquiry**



Her enthusiastic and creative style always made learning fun and has inspired me to pursue a career in the medical field. Mrs. Woldtvedt is a dedicated teacher who treats all of her students equally. I always felt comfortable asking questions in class and she always cared enough to take the time to explain the answer until I understood. I appreciate all that Mrs. Woldtvedt has taught me and for her many words of encouragement over the past three years.

**C. J. Faber ~~ Petroleum Engineering**  
**Dell Meuchel ~~ Social Studies**



When I sat down for fourth period of the first day of my freshman year, I was amazed by the immediate influence Mr. Meuchel had on us. his booming voice jolted us to attention , and I haven't stopped giving this attention yet. I am always eager to attend her class to hear his thoughts on subjects. I look up to and have the utmost respect for Mr. Meuchel.



**Caitlyn Brown ~~ Elementary Education**  
**Lisa Faber ~~ Math**

Mrs. Faber never let me give up, and she pushed me to do my best. Even after all of the quality hours we spent together studying, I'd sometimes fail my quiz. Mrs. Faber had faith in me and continued to push me. She knew that I could do it even when I thought that I couldn't.



**Courtney Sheble ~~ Elementary Education**  
**Bill Hannah ~~ Art**

Mr. Hannah has taught me patience, creativity and many other skills that will come in handy in the future. He has encouraged me to work hard and put 100% into everything I do. He has a great sense of humor and really cares for his students.



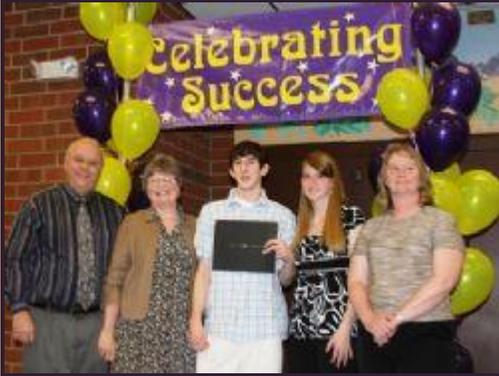
**Dancia Sammons ~~ Elementary Education**  
**Dawn Blair ~~ Band**

"To the world you might be one person, but to one person you might be the world." This quote means so much to me because it is true about Mrs. Blair. I don't think she realizes what importance she has taught that has affected my and other student's life in so many positive ways. Every day before you walk into her classroom she is always cheerful and no matter whom you are she says "Good morning!". Just those two little

words can make anyone's day a whole lot better.

**Dannielle Johnson ~~ Petroleum Engineering**  
**Roger Johnson ~~ Math**

A teacher had never criticized me or my homework before since I have always been good about doing it. I remember turning in a math assignment, and I did not complete a problem, because I did not feel like putting forth the effort. Mr. Johnson saw this and made a comment that if I did not at least try, I would not be successful and even make it through college. This comment really meant a lot and it has had a huge influence on me. Now I at least try all the problems, even if they are confusing, and usually I can figure them out.



**David Jones ~~ Architecture/Environmental Design**  
**Roger & Linda Kay Johnson ~~ Math**

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson pushed me to excel in all my math classes and try to be the best I could be. They presented a new challenge each and every day I walked into the classroom. I credit their hard work for my scoring a 32 on my ACT math section. Not only did they encourage me to strive for success in the classroom, but they encouraged me to extend my hard work outside of the classroom.



**Dylan Huschka ~~ Petroleum Engineering**  
**Mark Flaherty ~~ Math**

There are a few special teachers who go beyond just teaching in the classroom and make an impact on their students in a positive way. I have had the opportunity to be taught by one of these rare teachers - Mark Flaherty. Instead of pushing ways of learning on his students, he found ways to teach us and show us that giving up doesn't help. He is always present at school events and cheers on the students he has grown to love.

**Emily Babcock ~~ Nursing**  
**Dawn Blair ~~ Band**



Mrs. Blair is a person with strong moral values, saying what she believes and portraying that through her everyday work as she guides her students. I admire a person like this; this is the type of person who is willing to make a difference for good in everyday life. She has been willing to state what needs to happen in order for change to take place.



**Jacob Johnson ~~ Music Technology**  
**Mike Blair ~~ Math**

Whether it was a lesson in running, a lesson in how to divide fractions, or a lesson about life, Mr. Blair taught us how to become better students, athletes, and individuals. In my sixth grade year of cross country, I was the slowest member on the team and he always cheered me on to the finish. Mr. Blair is one of the reasons I didn't quit and stuck it out all through high school.



**Jeffrey Brown ~~ Religion/Music Education**  
**Brenda Schilling ~~ Choir**

Though she has taught me to sing, she has also taught me to take a piece of music and look deeper - to put the notes aside and dissect the song. She takes into consideration how my days go and always provides a way for me to better myself. There is a deeper connection with her, a sense of trust and love, both in her work and for her students.



**Jeremy Whelchel ~~ Biology**  
**Kathleen "Casey" Woldtvedt ~~ Biology**

Mrs. Woldtvedt's biology classes are prime examples of how students can have fun and enjoy themselves while also acquiring a valuable science education. She combines classroom lectures with interesting hands-on experiments. She loves her profession and she loves to share her passion for this amazing area of study. The firsthand experiences she has had with nature and wildlife are fascinating.



**Jessica Hatch ~ ~ Nursing**  
**Dawn Blair ~ ~ Band**

Mrs. Blair has taught me that learning is fun no matter what you are attempting to learn. She has made going to class fun, because not only do we learn new music, but she teaches us life lessons. One of the lessons that I will always remember is the seven keys to success, knowing that it is always ok to be a little crazy and out going, but if you were to do something wrong that you should own up to it.



**Jill Murphy ~ ~ Education**  
**Mark Ayers ~ ~ 6th Grade**

My first class with him in sixth grade was nerve wrecking. His tone of voice and strict instructions were not like the teachers I had had in the past. I guess I thought men teachers were mean and scary. Mr. Ayers made science exciting. His students were not just taught out of a text book. Ever since I was in his class, I have considered teaching students myself as a profession.



**Jon Coryell ~ ~ Environmental Sciences**  
**Mike Blair ~ ~ Math**

Mr. Blair's math class was all about hard work and good study habits. He knew how to teach the class well and he knew how to dish out the homework right after. Not only did I learn great study habits from Mr. Blair as a seventh grader, but this year he talks to me about motivation and inspiration. I now am glad that I had a teacher like Mr. Blair to prepare me for later years.

**Julie Lindberg ~ ~ Music Education**  
**Brenda Schilling ~ ~ Choir**



I can remember that day before the first day of school and becoming excited when I thought about going back and spending my days in the choir room with Mrs. Schilling. Most teachers spend their time teaching their students the technicalities of things, but Mrs. Schilling digs deeper. She has taught us that there is so much more involved with it and she isn't fully satisfied until her students understand what the music is trying to say. I can only hope to become as inspiring and moving as Mrs. Schilling has been for me.



**Kristina Siebrecht ~ Nursing**  
**Lorrie Siebrecht ~ Family and Consumer Sciences**

Not only was Lorrie Siebrecht my teachers in middle school and high school, she is also my mother and the person who had the most influence on my life. She has taught me everything I know in life, from when I was leaning to walk to choosing the correct college and I will continue to learn from her.



**Laura Gregg ~ Computer Science/Education**  
**Lisa Faber ~ Math**

mrs. Faber does everything she can in her power to see that her students succeed. She has made me realize that it isn't a chore to be at school and do the homework, it is a privilege and for our benefit. I also admire her for her good heartedness and overall character. She has also taught me that we get out of life as much as we put into it.

**Melissa Helvik ~ Nursing**  
**Mike Faber ~ Social Studies**



Mr. Faber has made the most impact on my life by encouraging me to contribute to the excitement provided in class and by showing that having respect for his students, he also gets that respect back ten times over. He has made a difference in my ability to learn by caring about me and showing me that the importance of learning and gaining knowledge needed in high school will continue with me for the rest of my life.



**Morgan Hoof ~~ Architecture/Interior Design**  
**Linda Reynolds ~~ French**

I took French 1 as a sophomore and my class consisted of two people - Mrs. Reynolds and myself. She made the class enjoyable. She also paid attention to clubs and activities she thought I might be interested in and suggested that I involve myself. I have become an improved, happier person who is more involved in my community and school. Mrs. Reynolds has truly been an inspiration.



**Reid Gage ~~ Music Education**  
**Brenda Schilling ~~ Choir**

I am thankful for a music teacher with such love and passion for her job. Through the years, she has taught me not only about music, but about who I want to be and what I want to act like when I begin in the business world. She never settles for mediocrity. She shows that we must strive for perfection; seek for the best. In life, she cares for her pupils so much that she can sense when something is wrong and does everything she can to help the student.

**Richard Cline ~~ Secondary Education**  
**Dawn Blair ~~ Band**



"Good Morning Ricky!" Those are the three words I hear everyday as I walk into band. This may seem like such a small thing, but to say it to over 100 students for 180 days, that little thing starts to mean a great deal. She went above and beyond the curriculum and touches every student's heart.



**Robert "Buck" Matthews ~ Computer Game & Simulation Programming**  
**Mark Flaherty ~ Math**

Mr. Flaherty has taught me fun ways of doing math problems. He also demonstrated short cuts to me, which helped out when taking math tests. Before I would struggle to finish a test, then Mr. Flaherty showed me how to have more self-confidence. This confidence carried over into public speaking. He has always been there when I needed it most.



**Samantha Michels ~ Radiologic Technology**  
**Kathleen "Casey" Woldtvedt ~ Biology**

Before taking Mrs. Woldtvedt's Biology class, I did not enjoy science at all. As I moved onto her class she found a way of drawing me in and encouraging me to further my education in the science department. Her somewhat laid back style of teaching made it seem so easy for me to learn, and it made me like this delightful work. She has inspired me to love the subject. Within her classroom I feel as if I can always ask for help and still get the answers I need.

**Steven Paulson ~ Engineering**  
**Lisa Faber ~ Math**



Mrs. Faber is probably one of the smartest teachers I have ever had, but more importantly, she knows how to teach the subject so that the average student can understand it. She can usually be seen before school, at lunch, and after school helping her students with their math. She really cares about her students and want to see them succeed.



**Tony Fredregill ~~ Surgical Technology**  
**Mike Faber ~~ Social Studies**

Mr. Mike Faber has remained supportative during my search for life's meaning. The curriculum he taught is much less important than the feeling of personal value he impassioned inside me. Mr. FAber has taught me that learning isn't simply about gathering information, but also has to do with discovering and declaring who I am now and who I can become.