Here are the teachers who are honored for their classroom excellence with the 2013 Red Apple Awards sponsored by the United Way of Butler County.

The award is presented to an outstanding pre-kindergarten educator, a teacher in each of the seven school districts in Butler County, an instructor at the Butler County Vocational-Technical School and professors at Butler County Community College and Slippery Rock University.

Nominations can be made by anyone. A panel of teacher representatives and community volunteers select the winners, who are picked for their work in the classroom, involvement in the schools, community volunteerism and leadership among their peers.

A sponsor donates $500 on behalf of the winning teachers to their schools.

Here are some of this year's winners and the sponsors in the schools.

**Butler County Community College**

**Sherri Mack**

Sherri Mack is an associate professor of computer information systems.

She has an associate degree in applied science in computer programming, a bachelor's degree in information technology and a master's degree in information technology with a dual concentration in database administration and systems design.

She has been the BC3 Faculty Organization President for the past four years and also has conducted trainings for the BC3 staff on Microsoft Office topics.

She serves on various college committees and was co-adviser of the Butler Information Technology Society student club at the college.

From 2002 to 2010, Mack was the coordinator for BC3’s Kids on Campus summer program, which teaches children computer skills. She continues to teach in the program today.
Her philosophy is that no one is too young or too old to learn how to use a computer.

One student said, “I think Ms. Mack is one of the best teachers I have had on campus. She has helped me with questions in this class, as well as others. I have recommended her to other students that will be taking this class.”

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