

# Two Fayette County teachers receive INSPIRE: Lexmark's Teaching Award

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 19, 2012 – Lexmark International, Inc. (NYSE: LXX) has honored two recipients of INSPIRE: Lexmark's Teaching Award this fall. The program recognizes outstanding Central Kentucky area middle and high school science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) teachers.

Lexmark representatives surprised the following teachers with INSPIRE awards, presented in front of peers and students at their schools:

- [Dr. Scott Diamond](#), a science teacher at The Learning Center at Linlee in Lexington, Ky.
- [Sonia Fullwood](#), a math teacher at Carter G. Woodson Academy in Lexington, Ky.

As a former full-time research scientist, Dr. Scott Diamond knows how labs function, and recreates the atmosphere of excitement and self-direction in his classes. Students are encouraged to collaborate across classes, and his experience with disabled students gives him a unique approach to STEM education.

Sonia Fullwood's teaching strategies enable her students to apply the math concepts they are learning to their daily lives. Ratios, proportions and scale drawings take on new meaning when her students create an actual model of their room. She uses various forms of technology and tools to do quick, formative assessments and incorporates graphing calculators into enrichment lessons.

Lexmark presented each teacher with a \$1,000 award.

In order to be eligible for the INSPIRE award, a teacher must receive an online nomination as well as two reference letters from students, colleagues, parents, school administrators or community leaders. Eligible nominees must teach in one of the following Central Kentucky counties: Anderson, Bourbon, Clark, Fayette, Franklin, Jessamine, Madison, Scott and Woodford. Nominations can be made on the [INSPIRE: Lexmark's Teaching Award page](#) on Lexmark.com.

## About INSPIRE

Lexmark launched INSPIRE: Lexmark's Teaching Award in 2011 to highlight and salute exceptional middle and high school teachers who teach science, technology, engineering and/or math in designated Central Kentucky counties. During each academic school year, one teacher per month will be awarded \$1,000 to be used to promote STEM education for his/her classroom.

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