Teachers with St. Thomas School Selected as **MICROSOFT INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR** (MIE) EXPERTS ST. THOMAS SCHOOL

MIE recognizes educators as global leaders in using technology to transform education

St. Thomas School (STS) in Medina announced the recognition of seven of its teachers as Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE) Experts: Doug Manning, Director of Information Technology; Alpha Delap, Library Media Specialist; Jane Fellows, Kindergarten teacher; Amy McGraw, third grade teacher; Kim Norton, Spanish teacher; Tracy Asplen, Educational Technology Coordinator and seventh grade advisor; and Kimberly Mecham, Director of the Center of Leadership and Innovation join more than 7,600 educators in the MIE Expert program worldwide. Doug, Amy, Jane, and Tracy are returning members to the MIE Expert network.

Each year, Microsoft selects innovative educators to share ideas, try new approaches, and learn from each other as a global community dedicated to improving student outcomes through technology.

"We're honored to represent STS and stand alongside the impressive educators in the

MIE Expert program," said Kimberly Mecham, Director of the school's Center of Leadership and Innovation. "Our ability to innovate, lead, and inspire students to make a global impact is possible due to the dedication and support from our STS staff, community, and wonderful students, and our partnership with Microsoft as a longstanding Microsoft Showcase School."

As MIE Experts, educators build their capacity for using technology in both the classroom and curriculum to improve student learning and advise Microsoft





and educational institutions on how to integrate technology in pedagogically-sound ways and be an advocate at conferences, events, and training for how Microsoft technology can improve learning.

"Microsoft Innovative Educator Experts are inspiring examples of educators applying new ways of teaching and learning in their classrooms that motivate students and empower them to achieve more," said Anthony Salcito, Vice President, Worldwide Education, Microsoft. "We celebrate and support the work they do every day!"

To learn more about the MIE Expert program, you can find out more at education.microsoft. com. If you are an educator and are interested in joining the MIE program, you can begin by joining the Microsoft Educator Community, where you can learn and grow professionally, exchange ideas and learn from others, and make connections globally and earn recognition.