

WEF announces grant to WHS Science Dept. leader Margaret Coppe



As part of WEF's 2009-2010 grant program, Wakefield High School's Science Department Leader Margaret Coppe received funding to purchase 25 Prometheon ActivExpression clickers. According to a WEF representative that recently visited Coppe's 9th grade Science class, "think of a contestant on "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire" asking the audience for assistance and statistically getting their opinion within seconds of clicking a button". Used in conjunction with a LCD projector, this powerful wireless communication tool allows students to go outside the limitations of the standard multiple choice format and respond in full sentences, numbers, symbols, math equations, true/false and more. Self-Paced learning allows teachers to assign full quizzes of varying difficulty and gives students the opportunity to register answers at their own pace. Teachers immediately know what percentage of the class is answering accurately and can alter the assignment's length of time to challenge learners. Over 900 high school science students will have the opportunity to use these for pre-testing prior to new units, making predictions for lab results and reviewing prior to exams.

Pictured is Ms. Coppe with one of her 9th Grade Science classes

