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## TWIN VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

*Connie Traub Nominated for Award by TVHS Student*

Elverson, PA – Twin Valley School District (TVSD) officials are pleased to announce that Mrs. Constance “Connie” B. Traub, world languages instructor at Twin Valley Middle School has been selected as the winner of the *Friedel and Otto Eberspacher Award for Excellence in the Teaching of a Modern European Language* by the Johns Hopkins University’s Center for Talented Youth. The goal of the award is to promote the teaching of modern languages and to recognize the dedication of educators who instill in young people the desire to better understand the people and cultures of different parts of the world. The award was established by Professor Emeritus Lieselotte E. Kurth of The Johns Hopkins University’s German Department in honor of her aunt and uncle.

Jen Huls, a student at Twin Valley High School studied humanities and writing in the 2007 Summer Residential Program at the Center for Talented Youth. She nominated Traub for the award based on her experiences in my classroom in both 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades.

“I am both thrilled and humbled that this was initiated by a student,” said Traub, who had to write a short 3-5 page essay about her teaching experiences throughout her career detailing changes and pivotal moments.

In addition to a certificate, Traub will receive a prize of \$1,500.00 to be presented prior to the end of the current school year.

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**Photo: Headshot – Constance “Connie” Traub.**