



Ryan Walters

McAlester High School
McAlester Public Schools

2016 TEACHER OF THE YEAR FINALIST

"An outstanding educator can transcend racism, poverty, and all other barriers that stand between a child and success. As educators we have the responsibility and the honor to give students something that can never be taken away: an education."

Current Teaching Position

9th-12th grade; AP World History, World History, United States History

Years of Experience

4 years in present position

4 years total

Educational Preparation

B.A. in Social Science, Harding University (Searcy, Ark.)

Philosophy of Teaching

"Students with grit and strong character values can lead successful, fulfilling lives and truly transform the world in which they live. Outstanding educators will provide their students with these treasured qualities."

Oklahoma Teacher of the Year Message

"As teachers we must focus our efforts on our performance in the classroom. We must demand the best from ourselves by showing our professionalism and drive to embrace the most effective teaching techniques. We must display our professionalism by demanding academic excellence from our students."

