

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF TRICIA OLIVER
EAST SAMFORD SCHOOL, AUBURN CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM
2024 ALABAMA ARTS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
ART EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, Tricia Oliver, an art educator dedicated to fostering creativity and artistic expression in her students, has been awarded the prestigious Alabama Art Educator of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Tricia Oliver holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Auburn University and an MEd from Columbus State and has taught art for over 15 years, inspiring students in Auburn City Schools in Auburn, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Art Education Association presents the Art Educator of the Year Award to honor exceptional educators who demonstrate outstanding contributions to the field of art education; and

WHEREAS, Tricia Oliver was selected for this award based on her innovative teaching methods, commitment to developing a comprehensive art curriculum, and her ability to engage students in meaningful artistic experiences that promote critical thinking and creativity; and

WHEREAS, Tricia Oliver exemplifies the role of a passionate educator by nurturing her students' artistic talents, fostering a love for the arts, and encouraging personal expression through various media; and

WHEREAS, Tricia Oliver has actively contributed to the art education community through workshops, mentorship, and her involvement in professional organizations including leadership, advocating for the importance of art in education; and

WHEREAS, Tricia Oliver dedication has been recognized through various accolades, including the AAEA 2023 showcasing her commitment to excellence in arts education:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Alabama State Board of Education does hereby commend and congratulate Tricia Oliver upon the honor of being selected as the Alabama Arts Education Association's Art Educator of the Year.

Done this 13th day of February 2025