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ExplorTech Director Receives Regional Educator Award

2019 Aspirations in Computing Educator Award Winner

Weatherford, TX— April 2, 2019 — Dr. Gary Sullivan, Executive Director of ExplorTech, a Parker County 501(c)3 educational nonprofit, and former Weatherford College computer science instructor was named the DFW Regional winner of the **Aspirations in Computing Educator Award**. He received the award at an event at the University of North Texas' Frisco Campus.

The Aspirations in Computing Educator Award

The National Center for Women and IT (NCWIT) **Aspirations in Computing (AiC) Educator Award** identifies exemplary formal and informal educators who play a pivotal role in encouraging 9th-12th grade students who self-identify as women, genderqueer, or non-binary to explore their interest in computing and technology. The award recognizes these educators for their efforts to promote gender equity in computing. Since 2011, more than 500 educators have been recognized and have received more than \$225,000 in professional development funding to improve their computing education skills.

The multi-tiered award structure includes Winner and Honorable Mention designations at National and Regional Affiliate levels, serving all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and all U.S. overseas military bases. Regional Affiliate Award programs are hosted in 79 locations nationwide by NCWIT Alliance member organizations—a powerful, national network of universities, companies, non-profits, and

government organizations working to increase the influence and meaningful participation of girls and women from every community.

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