Science teacher surprised with Golden Apple

Colleagues joke about him, wondering if he ever leaves school to go home. He’s always there trying to come up with a new way to wow his students. WQOW News 18 is honoring that teacher from Boyceville with the Golden Apple.

Andy Hamm received the award on Friday. Andy is a science and math teacher. He also coaches the Science Olympiad teams that have fared very well in state competitions. Hamm says the lab work they did in class on Friday is one example of how students are inspired to take on science. "These are tests that are not all that different than what a forensics lab would do for a crime scene analysis. We don't have the technology they have, but this... a simple version... is what they're doing and for the kids to be able to see that and be able to draw that application is extremely important, and that's what I think gets the kids excited about it," says Hamm.

Boyceville is known for hosting its own science invitational, an event that draws teams from surrounding states. More than 1,000 people converged on Boyceville one day last month for that event.

WQOW News 18 is always taking nominations for the Golden Apple. To nominate someone, look for the link in the blue box on the homepage of this website.