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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The South Carolina DoD Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS) is pleased to recognize *Ms. Janet Cobb Sullivan of Hilton Head Preparatory School, Columbia South Carolina as the SC DoD JSHS Teacher of the Year for 2019*

Congratulations to Prep teacher and parent Mrs. Janet Cobb Sullivan on being selected as the South Carolina DoD Junior Science and Humanities Symposium 2019 Teacher of the Year.

The Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS) is pleased to continue the Teacher Award Program in recognition of educational excellence in STEM. This award is provided through the sponsorship of the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force, and is administered by the Academy of Applied Science. Funding in the amount of \$500 has been set aside for each region. The award winning teacher should be an active participant in mentoring and encouraging student participation in STEM research and is eligible for the Teacher Award based upon either student placement in the regional research paper competition, or based upon an award process established by the JSHS Regional Director.

This was Janet's fourth year attending JSHS where she would bring along students that showed interest in pursuing higher level projects in hopes that they would come away being inspired. Mrs. Sullivan has put in countless hours mentoring her students, be it staying late after school or coming in on the weekends so the students could use the lab. While she does encourage her students to reach out to universities to gain access to their lab facilities, she often acts as a liaison to help answer questions.

One of the most valuable things Mrs. Sullivan has gained from her participation in the Regional JSHS is ideas and collaborations that can help her students. But at the end of the day, the reason Mrs. Sullivan does these things is to help her students grow as scientists. She feels that these programs are a great way to learn new things and make connections that do just that. Great scientific discoveries are made through collaborations and this program offers a great opportunity to make lasting connections.

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