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**T<sup>3</sup>™ International Conference**

# 2012 LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The T<sup>3</sup> Leadership Award recognizes educators who have exemplified the ideals of the T<sup>3</sup> Program – that is, to enhance mathematics and science teaching and learning through the creative and enthusiastic application of classroom technology.

This year's recipients are Tracy Watson and Todd Morstein.



Tracy Watson's T<sup>3</sup> journey started when she was a graduate student at Ohio University teaching a Precalculus course requiring the TI-82 graphing calculator. The experience, which she describes as "wonderful," gave Tracy and her students the opportunity to learn the power of visualization when exploring mathematical concepts.

Tracy later began attending T<sup>3</sup> International Conferences and T<sup>3</sup> Summer Workshops to learn more about teaching with graphing calculators. She learned about the TI-Navigator™ System at the 2000 T<sup>3</sup> International Conference in Dallas, and in the spring of 2003, her own classroom TI-Navigator System arrived. After unpacking the system, Tracy embarked on a whirlwind week that included using the TI-Navigator in class for the first time followed by her presentation at the T<sup>3</sup> International Conference in Nashville. At this conference she shared her recent teaching experiences with the TI-Navigator and the amazed reactions of her students just days before. Later that summer Tracy became a T<sup>3</sup> Instructor. Today she continues to learn and grow by leading workshops for teachers, developing TI and T<sup>3</sup> curriculum for TI-Nspire™ technology and sharing experiences with teachers around the world.

Texas Instruments proudly recognizes Tracy Watson, T<sup>3</sup> National Instructor and president of the Arkansas Council of Teachers of Mathematics (ACTM), for her dedication on behalf of the T<sup>3</sup> community and math education.



Todd Morstein has used TI technology in the classroom since his first days as a teacher, starting with the TI-81 graphing calculator. Two years later, he became a T<sup>3</sup> instructor and has been working with T<sup>3</sup> and Texas Instruments for almost his entire 20-year career as an educator.

During this time, Todd has been involved in a myriad of activities and subject areas, including Mathematics, Chemistry, IB® Chemistry, AP® Chemistry, Physics and technology literacy. He has developed and delivered workshops, hosted summer institutes, led writing teams, piloted prototypes of TI-Navigator and TI-Nspire™ handhelds and investigated new applications of technology to best help his students learn. Todd is also incredibly active in Montana science education, serving as the president of the Montana Science Teacher Association and on its board of directors, and was the Montana Chemistry Teacher of the Year. Most recently, Todd has been a leader and advisor for the usage of TI-Nspire in high school science and served as a lead author for Science Nspired and for T<sup>3</sup> high school science professional development. He also trains science teachers on these solutions.

Texas Instruments is excited to recognize Todd Morstein, T<sup>3</sup> Instructor, for his tremendous work over the years on behalf of the T<sup>3</sup> community and science education.