

Faces of Education

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Gary Griffith

Printing Shop Supervisor, Monroe County Community School Corporation

Our *Faces of Education* honoree this evening is Gary Griffith. Gary operates the print shop for Monroe County Community School Corporation. Gary is nominated by MCCSC Administrative Assistant and former *Faces* recipient Janet Tupper, who also is his supervisor. She submitted the following statement about our honoree:

“Gary Griffith’s career in the printing business is lengthy and began early. He worked in his high school’s print shop, operated the print shop for Sarkes Tarzian for nine years, spent a year working for Cornelius Printing Company in Indianapolis, was a printer in Indiana University’s printing operation for 16 years and then two years as a commercial printer before joining the MCCSC staff as a print shop supervisor on October 8, 1981. At that time, the MCCSC print shop had no copiers; it was located in the basement of Administration Center (no elevator) and included a dark room, camera, a platemaker, a letter press and three offset presses, and bindery equipment. In 1987, the offset printers were sold, the dark room was dismantled and Gary moved the school system forward into the age of high volume copiers. A color copier was added in 2001, when the print shop moved out the basement to the service building.

Gary’s expertise in printing techniques is unsurpassed. Not only can he produce a high quality product, he knows how to do it with the least expense possible. He works directly with school employees and also assists school and parent groups in the development of flyers, brochures, booklets, etc... Gary is always willing to undertake any assignment and bring it to completion with topnotch skill. During the past 28 years, his talent has been invaluable to the school system,” she said.

When speaking with Gary about his career in printing, he often speaks of value and service. “I’m here to serve,” he says. “I do not like to see people take things out (to other commercial printers) because I know how expensive it can be.”

Gary Griffith, thank you for your expert hand in running our school corporation’s printing shop for nearly three decades. The Board certainly appreciates your efforts and recognizes you with this *Faces of Education* honor. Congratulations!

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Faces of Education is a feature of every regular Board of School Trustees Meeting. It is designed to recognize current MCCSC employees or volunteers, who have made a difference in our school community. Nomination forms can be found at each MCCSC site or on the web at www.mccsc.edu.

