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PCTI Unveils Educators of the Year

Wayne, NJ – FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Passaic County Technical Institute (PCTI) has announced their Governor's Educators of the Year for 2015. The honor goes to Fatima Ramirez, Teacher of the Year, and Lori Henry, Educational Specialist of the Year.

Fatima Ramirez is a teacher of the handicapped for English, Reading and Spanish. Her exceptional instructional skills can be traced to a passion for paying good deeds forward. "I like to greet my students with a smile or by choosing a popular tune to give them a much needed jolt of energy," she says. A positive teaching style adds to the entire healthy educational experience. Fatima's peers say she transforms the way her students think by reframing negative outlooks into positive ones, proving that a can-do attitude makes anything possible.

This highly dedicated teacher is an advisor for Student Leaders Improving Character Education (SLICE), a member of the Hispanic Heritage Committee, and the Treasurer for the NJ Council for Exceptional Children. She was also awarded with the 2012 Women's History Month "Trail Blazing" award from NJ State Senator Nellie Pou.

Lori Henry is a Learning Disabilities Teaching Consultant known for going the extra mile every single day. This dedicated case manager was responsible for earning a mini grant through the school's education foundation in order to visit the 9/11 Memorial Museum in NYC. The opportunity for social and educational growth proved extremely worthwhile for all students involved.

Outside of her commitment to PCTI, Lori started a group called *Chicks Chat*, which fosters a positive environment for women who meet monthly.

Congratulations to both instructors on their accomplishments and being recognized as PCTI's Educators of the Year!



Passaic County Technical Institute has declared Fatima Ramirez as the Governor's Teacher of the year and Lori Henry as the Governor's Educational Specialist of the Year.