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SAMUEL ALLRED HONORS MARLENE FORBES

The teacher that influenced me the most at Southeast Middle School was my geometry teacher, Mrs. Forbes. I chose Mrs. Forbes because she was a great teacher. She taught one of the toughest classes at our school, and she made it easy. I had her class in the morning, which isn't a good time for me. I tend to be a little sleepy and not pay attention well, but I had no problem at all passing her class with an A. Mrs. Forbes always took time to give examples and gave thorough explanations on tricky problems. She



always made sure that everyone understood the material. This dedication is what truly makes her an excellent teacher.

Her class wasn't just easy, but fun too. She had interesting activities that helped me gain helpful insight into our daily notes. She was able to transform the most boring subject material into entertaining experiments that helped me to push myself beyond the limits of my knowledge. Holidays were especially fun, as we were able to enjoy lessons that had a special festive touch.

Overall, I will always remember Mrs. Forbes as an amazing teacher, with the ability to combine her pleasant personality with an excellent teaching method. However, she's no pushover, and it's best not to make her mad. She was a key element in my success as I met the end of my middle school years, and I will carry her teachings with me as I journey into high school and for many years to come.



SETH CHAPPELL HONORS GAIL WELKER

There is only one teacher I could have chosen to be the teacher that influenced me the most in middle school. Mrs. Welker was my eighth-grade science and homebase teacher. She was not only a fantastic science teacher, but she helped me in other ways as well. Mrs. Welker told me when I had any problems to come straight to her, and she would help me figure out how to do deal with situations and what to do. I leaned on her many times throughout the year.



Mrs. Welker is the best science teacher I have ever had. She taught by allowing us to investigate ideas, but always filled in the gaps when we didn't understand. She would explain until I completely understood. My favorite activity was the "goo yuck" lab. The "goo yuck" had characteristics of a solid and a liquid. Mrs. Welker was there to help me deal with hard situations throughout the year. She helped me with reasoning skills and problem-solving, which taught me to be more mature. I learned to forgive and forget, and she taught me not to get worked up about things. Instead she showed me how to solve things like a young man. Mrs. Welker has also taught me to get along with other classmates as if they were my co-workers. This is a life lesson I can use after I graduate from college and begin work. She taught me that my education is more important than what others think of me. Mrs. Welker taught me so many life skills that she has helped me mature faster than I could have by myself.