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**Blue Valley teacher honored by Pittsburg State University**

On Thursday, April 29, the Pittsburg State University (PSU) College of Education will honor Blue Valley High science teacher John Holloway with its highest honor, the Clyde U. Phillips Distinguished Service Award for teachers.

The Clyde U. Phillips awards were established in memory of Clyde U. Phillips, a graduate of Pittsburg State University and a well-known Kansas educator.

Holloway has been teaching at Blue Valley High since 1995.

“For the past 15 years, I have been thrilled to be a teacher at BVH,” Holloway said. “I have taught physical science, chemistry, astronomy, physics and AP physics.”

For the past five years, Holloway has served as the school’s Science Department chairman and has been a leader both in the area and nationally in new assessment strategies that improve student achievement.

Principal Scott Bacon said Holloway is respected by teachers, staff and students alike.

“The learning environment created by Mr. Holloway is one based upon mutual respect and the love of learning,” Bacon said. “Observation of Mr. Holloway’s class would reveal a masterful utilization of the effective elements of instruction.”

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