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Blue Valley North drama teacher named National Forensics Coach of the Year

Max Brown, Blue Valley North drama teacher and performing arts chair, has been named the National Forensics Coach of the Year by the National Forensics League (NFL). Brown was recognized at the NFL National Tournament in Dallas this summer.

“Dr. Brown has a passion and love for helping students achieve excellence in their performances,” said Blue Valley North principal Tonya Merrigan. “His commitment to all students is what makes his teams so fearless. We are so proud of his accomplishments.”

A Blue Valley employee since 1984, Brown has taught and coached at Blue Valley North for 25 years. Brown serves as director of the Kansas State Chapter of the Educational Theatre Association. Brown received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Kansas and his Ph.D. from New York University. In addition to his coach of the year honors, Brown was inducted into the National Educational Theatre Association’s Hall of Fame in 2010 and the Kansas Thespians Hall of Fame in 2006.

The National Forensics Coach of the Year award is based on strong leadership at the school, state and regional level. The recipient must also live out the NFL code of honor which includes integrity, leadership, humility, service and respect.

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