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Megan Allen is the 2010 Florida Department of Education/Macy's Teacher of the Year and one of four finalists for the 2010 National Teacher of the Year. She is a National Board Certified Teacher who has worked in several roles in education, including seven years as an elementary school and special education teacher in Title 1 schools, the educator-in-residence at the University of Central Florida, a teacherpreneur in a hybrid role with the Center for Teaching Quality, and a

visiting instructor in Psychology and Education at Mount Holyoke College.

She currently works as the Director of the Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, MA. This program is for teachers either on campus or online and is built around the Teacher Leader Model Standards, the Teacher Leadership Competencies, and the Five Core Propositions for National Board with support from the National Network of State Teachers of the Year.

Megan serves in various leadership roles, including the Board of Directors for the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards, the founding Board of Directors for the Alliance for Public Schools, and the bylaws committee and communication committee for the National Network of State Teachers of the Year. She has also served on several Florida Commissioner's task forces, the Board of the Florida Education Foundation, as a Florida NBCT network organizer, several Florida Department of Education committees and teacher advisory groups, as a virtual community organizer for the Center for Teaching Quality, and on a teacher advisory group for her school district's evaluation, induction, and support reform. She has also testified, advocated, and consulted around issues of differentiated compensation, evaluation systems, teacher growth, equity, and teaching quality in state and national arenas, most recently to Congress around the impact of the sequester on high needs students.

Megan is an “edugeek” who enjoys blogging and speaking about her journeys as an educator and teacher leader. The vivacious, multi-faceted “Red-Headed Teacher” has been featured in Ed Week, Talks with Teachers, Good Magazine, CNN.com, Go Teach magazine, Educational Horizons magazine, the Association for Teacher Educator (ATE) Yearbook, the Phi Delta Kappan, and SmartBrief for the Accomplished Teacher and ASCD.

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