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Dave L. Edyburn Wins the 2014 Tools for Life Assistive Technology Innovation Award at the Institute Designed for Educating All Students (IDEAS) Conference

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St. Simon’s, Georgia | June 2014 – Dave L. Edyburn, Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee was presented with the prestigious **2014 Tools for Life Visionary Team Award** on **June 3, 2014** for implementation of technology in special education. **Dave L. Edyburn** won the hotly contested prize over other nominees throughout Georgia.

The **Tools for Life Assistive Technology Awards Ceremony** has been a tradition within Georgia for the last **18** years. The **Visionary Award** recognizes a leader in the field of Assistive Technology in Georgia and/or nationally who has enhanced the field by demonstrating vision, innovation, and/or initiative. This individual has done this through advancing understanding, access, acquisition and/or quality service delivery. This award was created by Tools for Life, Georgia’s Assistive Technology Act in recognition of outstanding achievement in the field.

Dave L. Edyburn accepted the Assistive Technology Innovation Award in person in front of 700 educators and assistive technology professionals from throughout Georgia at IDEAS. Dave L. Edyburn rose above the other nominees for a variety of reasons; including his innovative approach to promote the use of technology to strengthen the knowledge, skills and abilities of educators to enhance student achievements.

Mr. Edyburn received a unique hand-crafted bowl created exclusively for the Tools for Life AT Award Winners by Georgia artisan, Todd Runkle, www.toddrunklepottery.com. These beautiful pieces serve as a reminder of the knowledge, skills and abilities that overflow from Ms. Kent’s “bowl” as she assists students with disabilities in achieving their educational goals.

Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program, is dedicated to increasing access to and acquisition of assistive technology (AT) devices and services for Georgians of all ages and disabilities so they can live, learn, work and play

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