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Local Educator Selected as Emerging Leader

WILMINGTON, OH—Karla Bisig, an English teacher at Wilmington High School, has been recognized as an Emerging Leader by PDK International, a leading association of education professionals.

Bisig is also a member of the Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts (OCTELA) and is in the midst of a four-year presidential term with the organization that will wrap up in 2011. During the term, she will serve as vice president, president elect, president, and past president. She has also been chosen as OCTELA's next executive director, an appointment that will begin in 2011. Bisig has begun the process to become a National Board Certified Teacher.

“Every time I attend a department meeting, a conference, or an OCTELA board meeting, I take away an idea or concept,” Bisig said. “Not all of my attempts at integration have been successful, but learning what works for my students is part of being an educator.”

A committee made up of PDK's past Emerging Leaders selected the 20 honorees from a competitive field of applicants.

“The 20 members of the 2008-09 Class of Emerging Leaders embody the PDK tenets of leadership, research, and service,” said William Bushaw, PDK's executive director. “They represent the best of the profession.”

For more information on PDK's 2008-09 Class of Emerging Leaders, including podcast interviews with the honorees, go to www.pdkemergingleaders.org. Information about PDK International is at www.pdkintl.org.