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Salamanca Teacher Chosen to Present at State Math Conference

SALAMANCA, NY – A Salamanca City Central School teacher has been chosen to be a presenter at the fall conference of the Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State (AMTNYS).

Kayla Cappuccio, a high school math teacher, will present on “Coding for the Algebra I Classroom” during the two-day event on November 2 and 3 in Saratoga Springs.

The presentation’s main objective, Mrs. Cappuccio said, is to help fellow teachers infuse important computer coding and programming lessons “into the Algebra I curriculum that we already teach so that it’s not anything new or different” or “a separate class.”

“We figure most kids take Algebra I,” she said.

AMTNYS is a state-wide organization that is run by teachers. Mrs. Cappuccio was selected to present after submitting a proposal in May. She delivered a similar presentation at the Canisius College Math Conference in January.

“I wanted to take it from a local level and open it up statewide,” she said.

Mrs. Cappuccio is new to the Salamanca district after having taught the last seven years at East Aurora, Franklinville, and for the city of Buffalo. She is teaching 8th grade math, Algebra I, Consumer Math, and Computer Science this school year.



Besides being a member of the AMTNYS, she is also active in the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) and Phi Delta Kappa (PDK) International.

Mrs. Cappuccio is also recognized as a Master Teacher by New York State. To earn that distinction, she passed an exam, wrote an essay, and garnered references from students and supervisors.

“It’s a four-year commitment and it involves at least 52 hours of professional development that you can’t use for your school or your certification,” she said. “It’s pretty much a bunch of teachers coming together about things that are interesting to them within science, math, technology, and engineering.”

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