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Tina Grile wins the Rick Perkins Award for 2008 at Athens Technical College

Tina Grile received the Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Instruction for 2008 at Athens Technical College. Ms. Grile accepted her award at the annual Honors Day Ceremony that was recently held at the college. Tina was nominated for this award by her fellow peers at the college. There were a total of six finalists vying for this award.

Ms. Grile came to Athens Technical College in 2002, and is the Program Chair for the Dental Assisting and Dental Hygiene programs. She teaches program courses, labs and clinics. Ms. Grile also maintains licensure as a Registered Dental Hygienist and Certified Dental Assistant. Ms. Grile is a consultant for the American Dental Associations Commission on Dental Accreditation, Co-Chair of the Technical College System of Georgia Faculty Consortium for Dental Assisting Programs, member of the Board of Directors for the Alumni Association at Armstrong Atlantic State University, elected member of the Savannah Dental Hygiene Society, and liaison to the American Association of Dental Hygiene Advisory Board. Ms. Grile has presented numerous workshops on oral health care to local nursing homes and primary schools.

The Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Education honors the Technical College System of Georgia's most outstanding instructors. The award has been an ongoing state-wide event since 1991 and is designed to recognize technical college instructors who make significant contributions to technical education through innovation and leadership in their fields. Ms. Grile will compete for the State Rick Perkins Award later this year. The state winner will carry the title of Technical College System of Georgia's Instructor of the Year and serves as the state's ambassador for technical education.



(Left to right: Dr. Flora W. Tydings, President of Athens Technical College; Tina Grile; and Dr. Joyce Sansing, Vice President for Academic Affairs)

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