

Jeffrey Szarzi
Golden Apple Award Recipient
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Jeff Szarzi moved to the Kenai Peninsula from Glenallen, Alaska in 1998; he began teaching at Homer Flex Alternative School and is currently completing his seventh year as a member of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District instructional team.

As a science and vocational instructor, Jeff leads his students with enthusiasm, knowledge and a positive attitude. His students thrive on learning that is "hands-on"; he makes his lessons both relevant and meaningful.

Jeff is the mastermind behind Flex's entrepreneurship project, *Flexwood*. With Jeff as the vocational instructor, *Flexwood* offers students a safe, productive and profitable avenue to display their artistic flair in wood projects ranging from bookshelves to outhouses.

Jeff brings, to Homer Flex students and staff, a zesty sense of humor and a wonderfully even temperament. He is an excellent communicator and a careful listener. Jeff Szarzi serves as an exceptional role model for Flex students.

We, the Board of Education, applaud Jeffrey Szarzi for his outstanding service to the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and its students.