



Teacher of the Year

Christopher Ehrlich

It must run in the Saxon blood to be amazing teachers because Ferris has given me nothing but outstanding mentors and teachers. It has been my distinct pleasure to have this specific teacher as my mentor and role model through my years in high school. This teacher has been dedicated to the job and all while juggling the business of life.

The warm welcome from this teacher was the deciding factor in my decision to attend Ferris High School. They believed in me and pushed me to believe in myself as well. No matter what situation arises, there is that teacher who always goes above and beyond. From the beginning there was an intentional effort to establish a welcoming environment. This teacher immediately created a climate where being vulnerable was acceptable. His class taught me that we must overcome our fears and not let them control ourselves because we can't know our capabilities if we are afraid.

My flame for music and leadership has grown and all thanks to this teacher giving me the tools I needed to fuel that flame. Orchestra always forced me to step out of my comfort zone and even take on the role as a leader and role model. I would never have joined the Spokane lilac Festival scholarship program, if he had never said I would be a good fit because he saw the potential that I have yet to discover. He has served our school with the utmost professionalism and true compassion. Mr. Ehrlich is not simply the teacher of the year; he is a teacher I am forever grateful for.

