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## SMU ADMINISTRATOR KATHY HARGROVE WINS AWARD

DALLAS (SMU) — Kathy Hargrove, the newly appointed director of Teacher Education at Southern Methodist University's Division of Education and Lifelong Learning, has been named the 2000 Outstanding Administrator in Gifted Education, an award sponsored by the Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science (TAMS) and the University of North Texas.

Hargrove will receive the award at the Administrators' Luncheon at the Texas Association for Gifted and Talented annual conference on Friday, Dec. 1 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Austin, Texas. The executive board of the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented (TAGT) nominated Hargrove for the TAMS award, calling her "a model administrator in the field of gifted education."

Hargrove holds a Ph.D. in gifted education and reading from Texas Woman's University and serves on the state ACT Advisory Board. She has been an education consultant for 16 years and is a former classroom teacher and curriculum writer. She has served as director of SMU's Gifted Students Institute and the Talented and Gifted program since 1992.

"TAMS is a significant program in gifted education in the State of Texas and the nation, accepting academically gifted junior and senior high school students into college," said Robert Patterson, dean of SMU's Division of Education and Lifelong Learning. "Winning this award from a program like the one at UNT is another indication of Kathy's leadership in educating gifted and talented students."

SMU's Gifted Students Institute is dedicated to the intellectual, social and psychological development of talented and gifted students through providing services to educators, students and their families. TAGT is the nation's largest state advocacy group of its kind, providing almost 8,000 members with a forum for the exchange of ideas and information about the education of gifted and talented students.

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Media note: a photograph of Kathy Hargrove can be downloaded at the following web site:  
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