

**The John C. Schramm Leadership Award
2008 Recipient
Jane S. Lopus, Ph.D.
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California State University, East Bay**

The John C. Schramm Award for leadership award is given to an individual who has had a positive impact at both the state and national levels. This describes Jane Lopus' work in economic education. She is an accomplished leader, exemplary teacher and dedicated scholar. Her multi-faceted leadership in economic research, the economic education network, and international programs are exceptional.

Jane's economic education career began as a high school economics and special education teacher. She has never forgotten the classroom which has given her a perspective on teaching economics and is definitely "value-added." Twenty-six years ago, Jane brought her passion for economics to California State University, East Bay making it one of the most active and successful in the state of California.

Jane has demonstrated extraordinary leadership as a teacher of teachers, and an advocate of economic education through involvement and participation in the economic education network, and commitment to international programs. Jane has been an innovator and successful fundraiser to offer an array of courses, workshops, and seminars for teachers in the East Bay area. Her commitment to professional development for teachers has no bounds. She has shared her expertise to the *EconomicsInternational* Train the Trainers programs in Eastern Europe and Russia, the Asia, Egypt, South American and more recently to Mexico. Jane has been a curriculum developer on numerous texts such as *Thinking Globally*, *Economics in Action* and others.

Her research has appeared in leading journals ranging from the *Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics* to *The American Economist*. Her research supports and provides new perspectives on the integration of economic theory and classroom application. It is well-respected and has made tremendous impact in the classroom.

Her successful term as President of NAEF confirms Jane's leadership ability in collaboration. She has worked with organizations such as the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, New York Times College Advisory Board and the Allied Social Science Association. Her involvement with all of these organizations increased the visibility and value of economic education. During her presidency of NAEF, she was responsible for implementing the Mini-Grant program and worked diligently to improve the visibility of the organization within the network,

California State University at East Bay recognized Jane's leadership in economic education by awarding her the University's Outstanding Professor in 2005-2006 and she received the Wang Family Excellence Award from the CSU Chancellor's Office. For her exemplary leadership, teaching and research to further economic education at home and abroad, we recognize Jane Lopus with the 2008 John C. Schramm Leadership Award.