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Collins Hill High's Frilot earns top media specialist honor

Holly Frilot of **Collins Hill High** is a teacher first and foremost and her classroom is the largest one in the school... the media center. Recently, she was honored for the outstanding job she does supporting students and adults in her school as she was recognized as the 2012 Gwinnett County Public Schools Library Media Specialist of the Year.

"I love my job," says Ms. Frilot as she describes the passion she has for her unpredictable and fast-paced school days. "At the Collins Hill High School Media Center, we are passionate about the comprehensive education of students through books, technology, and dynamic teaching. I delight in how varied my day is... one minute I'm helping a reluctant reader find a book that gets them hooked on reading, the next I'm racking my brain to help the student who's read more books in the library than I have."

In addition to working with students, Ms. Frilot also supports the adults in the building by teaching them how technology can help them in their classrooms with their students or by collaborating with them on their lesson plans. Always researching new ways to support her students, Ms. Frilot is an active media specialist who attends conferences at the district, state, and national levels, sharing her expertise and bringing best practices home to Collins Hill High.

She was named Gwinnett's Library Media Specialist of the Year for her contributions in the library media field through service to students, teachers, and the community. Selection for this honor by the school system library media committee is based on an individual's promotion of reading and literature, his or her leadership role, and the work completed to involve parents and community members as partners. Parents, teachers, and administrators are invited each year to nominate a media specialist for the countywide honor.

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