

# Music teacher earns professorship, stipend

Rebecca Ford Doster, music specialist for grades 3-5 at the Westminster Schools in Atlanta, was recently awarded the 2009 Goizueta Foundation Professorship by William Clarkson IV, president of the schools.

Established by the Goizueta family to recognize excellence in teaching at Westminster, this professorship is a three-year award that carries a stipend each year.

This year Doster began her 21st year of teaching and her 12th year at the Westminster Schools. In addition to her teaching responsibilities, she is also the accompanist for the elementary chorus and orchestras.

She received a bachelor of arts in music education with honors from Lyon College. She received a master of music in music therapy with honors from Florida State University. She did postgraduate study in voice and organ at the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama in

Glasgow, Scotland, as a Rotary International Fellow. While in Glasgow, she studied and worked with George McPhee and the Paisley Abby Boys' Choir.

She has taught elementary music in Arkansas, Alabama, Ohio, New Jersey and Germany. Prior to teaching at Westminster, she taught at the Berlin British School in Berlin, Germany, where she served as music and drama specialist as well as deputy headmaster.

Doster was a recipient of the Goizueta Distinguished Faculty Award at Westminster in 2002. The same year she was selected to attend the David Mallery Seminar, "The Experienced Pro." In May 2008 she was honored by her colleagues as the recipient of the Judy Marine Colleague Award.

She is married to Daniel Doster, and they have three adult children, Amanda, Meredith and Robert. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ford Jr. of Batesville.