



Gates Chili Mathematics Teacher Kevin Cleland Named NYS Master Teacher

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“I am thrilled,” Cleland said. “It is an honor to be selected.”

Cleland was selected after an exam, application, interview, letters of recommendation and presentation. His presentation explored behavioral economics, neuroscience and the growth mindset.

The NYS Master Teacher program celebrates the work of high-performing science, technology, engineering and mathematics teachers.

As a Master Teacher, Cleland will participate in statewide meetings, professional development and workshops over four years with the network of Master Teachers to develop best practices in STEM education and mentor other teachers.

Cleland teaches algebra, geometry and intro to computer science in his third year of teaching at GCHS. He previously taught at Gates Chili Middle School for four years.

He earned a Master of Education in adolescent mathematics education and a Bachelor of Arts in mathematics with a minor in education from University at Buffalo, with classes SUNY Buffalo State.

“I’m excited about offerings that involve computer programming, computer hardware and using technology to improve instruction and help our students become active producers and sharers of content, as opposed to just passive consumers,” Cleland said.