

## 2017 Apache County Rural School Teacher of the Year Duane Yazzie



*Kiis'áanii nilí.  
Tódich'íinii yáshchíín.  
Haaltsooí dabicheii.  
Áshjìhí dabináí.*

**Duane Yazzie** is a teacher-librarian of Hopi and Navajo ancestry with 12 years of K-8 teaching experience primarily with Window Rock Unified School District where he also coaches volleyball and cheerleading. He is a co-founder of the *Tséhootsooí* Intermediate Learning Center Math Circle.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree at Northern Arizona University in Education. He holds a Master of Arts in Language, Reading and Culture and a Master of Arts in Information Resources and Library Science awarded by the University of Arizona.

When he's not cuddled up with a Young Adult book about dragons, the Holocaust, or animals defending Red Wall in *Mossflower*, you may find him running cross country trails, playing volleyball, doing Zumba, or investigating mathematical problems or topics. You'll also find him traversing Highway 264 year-round visiting family in Hopi.

Duane currently serves as a P.E./RtI Math Teacher at *Tséhootsooí Diné Bi'Ólta'* in Window Rock, Arizona. He is also President of the Northern Arizona Reading Council which is part of the Arizona Reading Association.