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Lansing, G. Ledge schools' Web sites named in top 10

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Two mid-Michigan school district Web sites are among the top 10 sites in the nation as chosen by WantToTeach.com.

The Lansing School District and Grand Ledge Public Schools sites were named top 10 award winners among thousands reviewed.

"We are actually surprised," said Camille Jones, director of technology for the Lansing School District.

"If you had said we were in the top 10 in the city or state, we would be less surprised. But for the nation - that was a shock. But it's quite an honor."

The school district has had a Web site since the mid-90s, but school officials started redesigning it in November 2003, Jones said.

Lansing's new site was ready in June 2004.

System Analyst Jack Lawrence, who runs Grand Ledge's site, said the district's site has been running since 1995.

"Whatever we can do to help people find things they're looking for," Lawrence said.

The criteria used for the annual Top Ten School Web sites award was functionality, design, imagination and timeliness.

"We at WantToTeach.com have visited most of the Web's school Web sites during the past year," the WantToTeach.com Web site reads.

"The sites we have recognized represent the best school Web sites that the Web has to offer."

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Lansing School District

Winning on the Web: The Lansing School District's Web site, developed by Synergy Soup Interactive, was among the top 10 as ranked by WanttoTeach.com. Grand Ledge's site was also a top 10 winner nationally.

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* Lansing School District: [Lansing schools.net](http://Lansing.schools.net)

* Grand Ledge Public Schools: www.glps.k12.mi.us

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