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Libby Rogers (left) and Joyce Wawiye, recipients of the NISOD Excellence Award.

TWO FROM NEW RIVER HONORED FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Two faculty members from new River Community and Technical College have received the 2009 Excellence Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD), an organization that promotes teaching and leadership excellence in the nation's community colleges. The two were nominated for the honor by the faculty.

Joyce Wawiye, assistant professor of Biology on the Beckley Campus, and Lizabeth Rogers, associate professor of business on the Greenbrier Valley Campus,
received the honor at the annual NISOD Conference on Teaching and Leadership excellence in Austin, TX.

“The students are who inspire and motivate me, and the main strategy that drives my success is setting high expectations. I set high expectations for my own performance as facilitator and for my students in their performance as learners. Then I seek to help us all reach those high expectations,” Rogers said.

Wawiye also attributes her success to the inspiration she receives from students. “I am energized by my students’ potential for greatness and being a part of their journey to the realization of what or who they can become,” she explained.

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