

2014 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient

Dr. Diane L. Reinhard, a 1960 graduate of WUSD, was recognized as a student leader being elected President of Student Council and voted by her classmates as Most Likely to Succeed. After receiving the Watertown Teacher's Association Scholarship and being inspired by her 3rd grade teacher, Miss Orvis, Dr. Reinhard went on to become a teacher. She has committed her entire career to advancing public education and has taught kindergarteners to doctoral students. Dr. Reinhard worked in many capacities in the university system, including thirteen years as President of Clarion University and President within the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. She was the first woman to serve in these roles.

Dr. Reinhard has many publications and awards. Her accomplishments of special note include the conferring of President Emeritus status by the Clarion University Council of Trustees and the Pennsylvania State System of High Education Board of Governors, and the naming of the new student residential complex, the Diane L. Reinhard Villages at Clarion University.

Upon her retirement Dr. Reinhard returned to Watertown where she continues to serve on various boards and committees throughout the community.