

Influential Woman of the Year
Presented
To
Marcy Marx
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Marcy Marx is being honored with the North Brunswick Influential Woman of the Year award due to her work above and beyond for the families of North Brunswick. Ms. Marx grew up in North Brunswick and has been teaching here for 23 years.

In 2000, she started teaching at Linwood as a teacher of the handicapped and ran the Linwood Drama Club. 11 years later, she moved to high school as a teacher of Special Education students, where she taught English as well as Orton Gillingham Reading for students with dyslexia. She also taught a General Education Theater Elective. It was due to the success of this elective, that her supervisor Patty VanLangen requested she write an adaptive elective for a Special Needs Theater Workshop. This is taught, at the high school level, to both cognitive impaired students as well as the behavioral class.

After moving to high school, she soon took over the Alchemist Theater company to rave reviews.

She, along with her husband, Joshua, have three beautiful children, Emma, and Nathan, who are 12 and Madison, who is 9. When Nathan was 3, he was classified "On the Autism Spectrum". His mother noticed, after going to many, many Alchemist rehearsals, how much he loved music, singing, and dancing. This prompted Ms. Marx to develop an Autism Friendly Performance given by the Alchemists for all North Brunswick's students on the autism spectrum. This unique program, which is still being offered today, aims at creating a supportive and welcoming environment for students with sensory sensitivities.

In 2018 she won Magic 98.3's "Teachers Who Make Magic" award and in 2019 was New Jersey 's Governor Teacher of the Year for NBTHS.

Her hard work and dedication have improved the lives of hundreds of students in her day job as part of an outstanding special education team at the high school. She has also impacted the lives of hundreds of other students and families with her work with the Alchemists.

On behalf of the Women of Influence Committee, it gives me great pleasure to present Marcy Marx with the Influential Women of the Year Award for 2024.