

2009 FRIEND OF U-HIGH

TERRY DAWSON

Terry Dawson is a great friend of U-High. His involvement began when his daughters, Samantha and Jenny, were students and he volunteered countless hours to the Theatre and Music Departments. Dawson's earliest volunteer tasks covered building sets, assisting with Booster fund drives, assisting with lights and sound for concerts, and as a key helper with the marching band.

As the U-High Theatre Program prospered and grew, the school searched for an assistant for Mrs. Thetard who could supervise students, teach them how to safely build sets, and share their knowledge of stage lighting and sound. The need was large and the required skills were specific. Dawson heard of this challenge and stepped forward to take it on. The combination of his skill set and his love for UHS made him a great fit for the position. Dawson provides massive support for whatever event is using Stroud Auditorium. While this is a paid position, he regularly volunteers hours of his time over and above what is covered.

"Daddy D," as he is known to the students, comes to the school after his "real job" almost every day. He does what he was hired for and so much more. He assists with non-theatre events going on in Stroud such as music concerts and class night. He volunteers to chaperone theatre trips and lock-ins, takes students to theatre workshops, and constantly represents University High School with class and pride.

In acknowledgment of his selfless efforts, University High School thanks Terry Dawson and congratulates him for receiving the 2009 Friend of U-High Award.