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2012 Public Service Award

ROBERT KRONICK

This year's UT Alumni Association Public Service Award goes to Robert Kronick, or "Dr. K," as his students are fond of calling him. In his forty-one years as an education professor, Kronick has made an enormous impact through service activities, with a special focus on young, at-risk students. After years of research and persistence, he piloted his vision of a full-service community school at Pond Gap Elementary, a program that provides children with safe, enriching activities after school and on the weekends. During its first year, students were already performing better. Attendance improved and the discipline rate decreased. Now, thirteen years later, the program is an example for the impact of community-based schools and provides services, tutoring, and after-school activities at four Knox County elementary schools.



The **Public Service Award** is bestowed to faculty with outstanding service to the public. The Public Service Award is presented by the UT National Alumni Association

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