

## *Staff Employee of the Week*

### **Rose M. Woodford**

**JOB TITLE:** Education Specialist III

**HOME DEPARTMENT:** Center for Organizational and Technological Advancement (COTA)

**COLLEGE OR VP AREA:** VP for Outreach & International Affairs

**NOMINATED FOR:** President's Award for Excellence

**NOMINATED BY:** W. Robert Herbert, COTA Fellow

**VIRGINIA TECH HIRE DATE:** July 10, 2000

### **SUMMARY**

Rose Woodford, Education Support Specialist III works for The Center for Organizational & Technological Advancement (COTA). COTA is based at the Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center.

Much of Rose Woodford's work is self-directed. Woodford makes multi tasking seem effortless. She is uniformly valued by those she works with. Dr. E. Wayne Harris, retired Roanoke City School Superintendent recently said, 'We are fortunate to have Rose Woodford as part of our development team. Rose demonstrates daily the work ethic that results in A+ performance. Her attention to detail and willingness to go the extra mile reflects the "gold standard" approach to work.'

Woodford consistently works as a team player, frequently in areas beyond her formal job classification. She is a key contributor in the design and implementation five new institutes to educate local government employee teams. Woodford was instrumental in the development of an EMS Institute and highlighted the success nationally ... resulting in Virginia Tech's designation by US EPA as one of eleven national PEER Centers. US EPA officer Jim Horne said, "Virginia Tech has set the standard for other universities around the country in terms of providing assistance to local governments for managing their environmental issues effectively and efficiently"!