# Randolph County School System "RCSS STAR Employees" for December 2019



#### **Archdale Elementary School - Bailey Toomes**

Bailey Toomes has done an amazing job of teaching her second/third grade combination class at Archdale Elementary School this year. She dedicates a great deal of her time after school to ensure her lessons are filled with exciting, rigorous, and educational opportunities. Mrs. Toomes contributes to the collaborative culture of the school community and creates a learning environment that is inclusive, welcoming, and challenging. Bailey Toomes is an asset to Archdale Elementary School and we are proud to honor her as our STAR Employee for December.

### Archdale-Trinity Middle School - Shelby Smith

A smiling face, soft voice, and great smelling food are what you receive when you walk into the Bulldog Café at Archdale Trinity Middle School (ATMS). This is the impact Shelby Smith, the new cafeteria manager, has had on the lunchroom environment. Ms. Smith joined ATMS approximately one year ago and has been nothing less than a ray of sunshine. She is a positive, upbeat person, whether interacting with students, staff, or community members. Ms. Smith exudes warmth and acceptance and makes our cafeteria an inviting and welcoming place. We look forward to all that Shelby Smith has planned for ATMS as she continues to "Be More Dog," and we want to recognize her as our STAR Employee for December.

#### **Braxton Craven School - Mandy Roland**

Mandy Roland is a wonderful school nurse and a school team player. She steps right up to help in any situation that arises during our school day. From answering phones to directing parents, Ms. Roland is a multi-tasker with heart. She always has a smile on her face and a pep in her step, and is a pleasure to work with. All of the schools in our area are fortunate to have such a professional, intelligent, caring school nurse, and Braxton Craven School is proud to select Mandy Roland as our STAR Employee for December.

# **Hopewell Elementary School - Lynne Schlein**

Lynne Schlein loves her job and she loves the people with whom she works. Ms. Schlein performs her custodian job as well as she can, so that she can positively impact as many people as possible. Regardless of her circumstances, she consistently works hard to be helpful to both students and staff members. Every day, when Ms. Schlein walks up the walkway to the front door, you can see the smile on her face and the joy that working at Hopewell brings to her. She loves Hopewell and Hopewell loves her. Congratulations to Lynne Schlein, Hopewell Elementary School's STAR Employee for the month of December.

#### John Lawrence Elementary School - Shawn Horrell

Shawn Horrell, art and music teacher at John Lawrence Elementary (JLE) School, is not only passionate about teaching her students to love art and music, but cares deeply about the well-being of students and staff. Mrs. Horrell is reliable, flexible, and always willing to go above and beyond to offer a helping hand to staff and students. She uses student artwork to decorate and enhance our hallways, which helps embrace our school culture. Shawn Horrell is a valued member of the JLE Pride and we are proud to honor and celebrate her as John Lawrence Elementary School's STAR Employee for December.

## **New Market Elementary School - Paige Linthicum**

Paige Linthicum is a valued staff member at New Market Elementary School. She is always on the go - like an Energizer bunny! When a task needs to be completed, Ms. Linthicum is there to help. She is passionate about teaching and gives every student a piece of her heart, and they know she cares for them. Ms. Linthicum's positive and calming spirit is a blessing to those are around her. When she retires, we will miss her dedication and passion for her job. Paige Linthicum will always be a Bobcat, and we are proud to say she is New Market Elementary School's STAR Employee for December.

## Randolph Early College High School - Kathy Kelley

Kathy Kelley wears many hats at Randolph Early College High School and completes many duties that go unnoticed. Ms. Kelly always has a kind word and a warm smile to help brighten the day of students and staff, and always is willing to help where needed. She recruits volunteers to assist and support our school, from serving as testing proctors to providing staff with various expressions of appreciation. Ms. Kelley genuinely cares about our students and can often be seen checking on them, handing out candy, and making them laugh with her Friday morning dance parties. The rapport she maintains with students and staff is positive and we are fortunate to have someone who cares so much about all of us. Randolph Early College High School is honored to call Kathy Kelley our STAR Employee for December.

## **Trindale Elementary School - Kristina Petersen**

Kristina Petersen, teacher assistant at Trindale Elementary School since last school year, has been outstanding. No matter what is needed, Ms. Petersen will respond and do what needs to be done. She never complains about helping out and always is willing to go the extra mile. Ms. Petersen does so much for her students, and wears a smile while doing her job. We are happy that she is at "the dale" and able to make a difference in our students' lives. Congratulations to Kristina Petersen, Trindale Elementary School's STAR Employee for December.

#### **Trinity Elementary School - Brian Barfield**

Brian Barfield began an afterschool music club at Trinity Elementary School this year. He teaches his class with clear goals in sight and makes sure his students understand the skills needed for middle school and high school band. Students are excited to visit Mr. Barfield's classroom, where Mr. Barfield knows and recognizes each one of them. He is collaborating with other specials teachers to revamp our school's Heritage Arts Day, giving students more exposure to the community arts. Mr. Barfield has taken on a leadership role for the arts department at three elementary schools — Archdale, Trindale, and Trinity. Trinity Elementary School is proud to recognize Brian Barfield as our STAR Employee for December.

# **Trinity High School - Tina Williard**

Office receptionist Tina Williard serves as the face of Trinity High School to all parents and visitors who enter the main office. Even though her job can be very hectic, Ms. Williard represents our school with positivity and welcomes everyone with a smile. She is an integral member of the classified staff at Trinity High and helps to keep the school's day-to-day operations running smoothly. Congratulations, Tina Williard, for being selected Trinity High School's STAR Employee for the month of December.

## Wheatmore High School - Misty Maner

A STAR Employee is a one who takes on many tasks and roles, and Misty Maner embodies this trait. She moved from her role as an inclusion teacher to become our school's Occupational Course of Study teacher. Ms. Maner has provided a consistent presence in the class while elevating the academic rigor and life skills training of her students. She has built strong relationships with each student and their parents. Ms. Maner has encouraged her students' participation in extra-curricular activities, resulting in greater self-confidence in each student. Even with all of her responsibilities, she has been able to incorporate new programs and activities to help her students develop skills that will be essential to them in the future. Wheatmore High School is proud to recognize Misty Maner as our STAR Employee for December.