

Randolph County School System “RCSS STAR Employees” for September 2016



Archdale Elementary School - Keith Hix

Archdale Elementary is pleased to recognize Keith Hix as its first STAR Employee. Mr. Hix serves Archdale as head custodian. He is new to this position and actually assumed many of the responsibilities associated with it before he was officially named. He is a kind and gentle leader to the custodial team. He routinely goes above and beyond expectations, and always does so with a positive attitude. His pride for Archdale Elementary is evident in the way he does his job on a daily basis. He always has a kind word and a smile for the children and staff. We are so thankful he is part of the Archdale family. Congratulations, Keith Hix, Archdale Elementary's STAR Employee for September.

Archdale-Trinity Middle School - Andrew Davis

Andrew Davis teaches health and physical education at ATMS and also serves as athletic director. Mr. Davis has always been known as the handyman on campus, but this summer, he took his contributions to the school to a whole new level. He took it upon himself to spend many hours making efforts to beautify the campus. He personally pressure washed all of the sidewalks and courtyard area, and he and his wife, Sarah, put up the new white vinyl fencing in front of campus as well as in front of the bus parking lot. Mr. Davis also installed a chain fence to go around the practice facility to keep cars off the property. He was faithful to mow and keep the campus looking amazing during the summer months. Mr. Davis takes pride in his teaching job every day, but also physically shows his pride for ATMS. Thank you, Mr. Davis, for your amazing efforts this summer and we appreciate everything you do for the school! Congratulations, Andrew Davis, Archdale-Trinity Middle School's STAR Employee for September.

Braxton Craven Middle School - Sarah Allred

Sarah Allred is our lead teacher at Braxton Craven. She works tirelessly to help the students and staff at Braxton. She will work weekends and all through the summer to make sure everyone has what they need. She has a passion for learning and a positive attitude. No task is too big or too small. Her willingness to jump in and help whenever and wherever is needed allows Braxton to operate on a day-to-day basis. Ms. Allred assists teachers in planning, assessing, and reviewing data. Students, staff, and school benefit from all Ms. Allred does at Braxton Craven. Congratulations, Sarah Allred, Braxton Craven's STAR Employee for September.

Hopewell Elementary School - Lori Daniels

Lori Daniels is Hopewell's secretary/treasurer. Lori always displays an optimistic attitude! As treasurer she assists with the management of school finances. Anytime she is asked for things to be ordered, she will always search for the best possible price in order to stretch school funds. When staff needs assistance with ordering items, understanding their benefits, leave balances, timesheets, etc., Lori is always available. She keeps excellent financial records to track all fund sources. As the secretary she wears many hats - greeting community members at the front desk, answering phones, administering medicines, assisting sick children, and much more. It is behind the scene and with a serving spirit that Mrs. Daniels does so much to support the students, staff, and community. Congratulations, Lori Daniels, Hopewell Elementary's STAR Employee for September.

John Lawrence Elementary School - Kathy Somero

Every school has staff members who go above and beyond for their students. They take work home with them, they work late afternoons, and they work weekends. Kathy Somero is one of these people at John Lawrence. She has an infectious personality. She has a smile, a hug, and an encouraging word for every child. She ensures that all students have access to her media center every day and even during the summer, by opening each Wednesday for book checkout. We are honored to stand with Kathy Somero as she is recognized as the STAR Employee for John Lawrence Elementary for the month of September.

New Market Elementary School - Dina Fletcher

New Market's first STAR Employee is Mrs. Dina Fletcher, guidance counselor. Mrs. Fletcher works to serve students in a variety of ways both directly and indirectly. She gets students' days off to a great start by welcoming them off the bus first thing each morning with a warm smile and greeting. She teaches classes, meets with individuals, and leads small guidance groups weekly. Students eagerly respond with smiles and hugs when they see her. Mrs. Fletcher also consults with parents, teachers, and administrators to guide them in their efforts to care for students. She serves on a variety of teams and committees at school that support students behaviorally, socially, and academically. Mrs. Fletcher helps students with physical needs as well by serving as the school coordinator of the Backpack Program and coordinating the school's response efforts for students with emergencies. The students and staff of New Market love Ms. Fletcher, and we are glad that she is part of our school. Congratulations, Dina Fletcher, New Market Elementary's STAR Employee for September.

Randolph Early College High School - Melissa Scott

Mrs. Melissa Scott is the Data Manager and she works daily to assist the school's students, teachers and parents. She warmly welcomes students in the morning and ensures that she is available to help in any way possible. She always has a positive attitude and works diligently and effectively to communicate with those around her. She is a positive role model for students. Mrs. Scott supports teachers with technology concerns and does a phenomenal job with spreadsheets. We appreciate all she does and would like to thank her for a job well done. Randolph Early College High School would like to congratulate and recognize Mrs. Melissa Scott as our STAR Employee for September.

Trindale Elementary School - Becky Stegenga

As a teacher assistant, Becky Stegenga has been a solid member of our team at "The Dale." She does what is asked of her and always puts the needs of her students first. She has a calm and loving spirit that she uses each and every day when working with her kindergarten kids. Her attitude and demeanor are exactly what we should all strive for in our profession. Becky is a standout employee at "The Dale." Congratulations, Becky Stegenga, Trindale Elementary's STAR Employee for September.

Trinity Elementary School - Lori Sechrest

Mrs. Lori Sechrest is a phenomenal third grade teacher at Trinity Elementary. Her positive energy is infectious to everyone around her - students, staff, and parents. Her passion in teaching is evident in everything that she does. The relationships that she develops with the students are long lasting in

student lives. It takes ONE person to make a difference and Mrs. Sechrest thrives to be that person with everyone she encounters. Congratulations, Lori Sechrest, Trinity Elementary's STAR Employee for September.

Trinity High School - Melissa Brown

Trinity High School is deeply rooted in its traditions and community and no one understands that more than OCS teacher and former Trinity High School graduate Melissa Brown. Mrs. Brown dedicates every day to preserving Trinity High School's traditions, serving our generous community, and educating our OCS students. The passion, patience, and perseverance she shows for her students are simply awe-inspiring. Her co-workers state that Mrs. Brown, "on numerous times stands up for students, protects them and loves on them as they were her own, even when it's not so easy to do so." Her fellow staff members have also come to the conclusion that Mrs. Brown is a "true Bulldog". The administrators state that they have been "impressed with her abilities to push her students to achieve more than some would consider possible. Congratulations, Melissa Brown, Trinity High School's STAR Employee for September.

Wheatmore High School - Bill Buskirk

Mr. Bill Buskirk, our head custodian, is an outstanding employee who constantly tries to provide products and services that aid and assist teachers and students. His passion and love for the school is evident in his dedication to leading a loyal staff that works hard to meet the demands and needs of the school. He believes that a clean, well-kept school and grounds exemplify a sense of pride to all who enter the doors. Mr. Buskirk is a fine gentleman, a dedicated employee, and the leader of outstanding employees who strive each day to make Wheatmore the finest school it can be. Congratulations, Bill Buskirk, Wheatmore High's STAR Employee for September.