

# **Randolph County School System**

## **“RCSS STAR Employees” for October 2018**

### **Franklinville Elementary School - Angela Harris**

Assistant Principal Angela Harris exudes dedication, professionalism, compassion, leadership, and love – which combine to make her a valuable member of our school family. She has a positive attitude and always looks for ways to improve. To say that Ms. Harris is an instructional leader in our school is a gross understatement. She always thinks about ways to improve learning and shares ideas with others to move the school forward. Ms. Harris builds relationships with parents, staff, and students alike. She looks outside the box to find what works best for students in all areas. Ms. Harris pushes both the students and staff to be the best they can be. You can see her passion in all that she does. Our school is truly blessed to have Ms. Harris as part of our Franklinville Family. In a most deserving fashion, Franklinville Elementary School's Angela Harris has been selected our STAR Employee for October.

### **Grays Chapel Elementary School - Julie Richardson**

Third grade teacher Julie Richardson goes above and beyond, doing all it takes, and leading and teaching with passion. Her love of learning is evident and contagious to all around her. Ms. Richardson's friendly smile radiates to others and she keeps high expectations for all students. Her students know how much she cares for them and believes in them and all they can accomplish. Ms. Richardson has led two new teammates on her third grade team this year and has guided and coached them to a strong start. In addition to serving as a teacher leader, Ms. Richardson coaches our school running club and serves on the “Schools that Lead” team. Our school is immensely blessed to have Julie Richardson on our team and we thank her for the positivity, passion, and dedication that she displays daily to our students and staff. Congratulations, Julie Richardson, Grays Chapel Elementary School's STAR Employee for October.

### **Level Cross Elementary School - Katie Husband**

As a star employee, kindergarten teacher Katie Husband shines bright amongst all the other stars. During Professional Learning Community meetings, she leads her grade level in the interpretation of the new standards. Ms. Husband looks for ways to improve her teaching and always strives to do more for her students. She is willing to work with all staff members to find what works best with her students to give them what they need. Students in Ms. Husband's classroom thrive because of her sweet, kind, and loving nature, and they always want to do their best. Congratulations to Katie Husband, Level Cross Elementary School's STAR Employee for October.

### **Liberty Elementary School - Maxine Monroe**

Maxine Monroe has worked at Liberty Elementary School for over 20 years as a teacher assistant. For many years, Ms. Monroe organized the much-anticipated Liberty Staff vs. Student Basketball Game Fundraiser. This school year, she agreed to take a new position at Liberty as our Project Lab teacher. In this role, Ms. Monroe designs hands-on activities to promote science and technology, as well as life skills. In addition, she was recently complimented by district staff for going above and beyond to help one of our special needs kindergarten students find success in her class. Ms. Monroe is an asset to Liberty Elementary School and exemplifies the characteristics of a star employee. We are proud to name Maxine Monroe as our STAR Employee for October.

**Northeastern Randolph Middle School - Gary Patterson**

Head custodian Gary Patterson understands when a school is short-handed, someone must step up and get the job done without complaining or asking if it is someone else's turn. He works tirelessly for the benefit of students, and it is no surprise that he has been selected to represent the school as STAR Employee. In addition to his demanding work as head custodian (and our building is meticulous), Mr. Patterson has dutifully driven a bus route as needed. He shows great care to the students who ride his bus and will notify counselors and/or administrators if students seem to be facing exceptional challenges. Mr. Patterson has a positive attitude and wants what is best for students. Students respond well to his caring but serious approach. Mr. Patterson is consistently cooperative and collaborative with everyone he encounters. What he brings to our school - behind the bus wheel, cleaning a hallway, counseling a student, offering a kind word - really cannot be measured. Congratulations, Gary Patterson, Northeastern Randolph Middle School's STAR Employee for October.

**Providence Grove High School - Donna Brown**

Lead teacher Donna Brown, an original Providence Grove High School staff member in 2008, continues to serve the Providence Grove community with distinction. She makes the relationship of the "3 R's" come alive with exuberance and panache, while upholding the other R's - rigor and relevance. Ms. Brown wears many hats in Patriot country - lead teacher, testing coordinator, mentor, confidant, organizer, thinker, and friend. She is the epitome of professionalism and support. Ms. Brown takes the time to review student data, respond to instructional needs, and support all teachers in and out of the classroom. Ms. Brown's willingness to thoughtfully prepare and implement initiatives that assist in moving our school forward does not go unnoticed. We are grateful for all that Donna Brown does for our school, and we are honored to have her as our STAR Employee for October.

**Ramseur Elementary School - Paige Motley**

Paige Motley is a dedicated, talented teacher at Ramseur Elementary School. She teaches with passion and spends countless hours, weeks, and months pouring herself into her job and her students. Ms. Motley is an incredible asset to the school and demonstrates superior knowledge of instructional practices. She has a bank of effective strategies that she uses to help her students grow, while finding time to support co-workers. Ms. Motley plays an important role as a school leader and is constantly pushing to improve school practices. Her students know she cares about them, and we often hear students say, "I want to make Ms. Motley proud," even after they have left her classroom. Congratulations, Paige Motley, Ramseur Elementary School's STAR Employee for October.

**Randleman Elementary School - Wanda Anders**

Former Interim Principal Wanda Anders was assigned to Randleman Elementary School from retirement during the work days immediately before the school year started. Almost instantly, Ms. Anders was able to ease any fears about this sudden transition. She was friendly, approachable, and engaging. Despite being thrown several curve balls, Ms. Anders handled each situation with wisdom, experience, and candor. The staff quickly fell in love with her. Her wonderful sense of humor and her supportive personality were much appreciated. While our time with Ms. Anders was short, we are happy to have had her in our midst. Randleman Elementary School is proud to name Wanda Anders as our STAR Employee for October.

**Randleman High School - Rachel Hinshaw**

English teacher Rachel Hinshaw is committed to our students, school, and community. She is the epitome of a dedicated staff member. Ms. Hinshaw puts in extra time and effort to create detailed, engaging lesson plans, and has created a classroom environment that is warm, welcoming, and pleasing to the eye. Her colleagues note that Ms. Hinshaw is always willing to share resources and lessons. She strives to make herself and those around her better in providing our students with the best education possible. Ms. Hinshaw's classroom is a place of collaboration, learning, discussion, and inquiry. She puts in numerous hours beyond the school day and on weekends and is always willing to implement new ideas. Randleman High School is honored to name Rachel Hinshaw as our STAR Employee for October.

**Randleman Middle School - Stephanie Wyszchenk**

Randleman Middle School's STAR Employee is an outstanding special education teacher who constantly seeks ways to learn and grow. Stephanie Wyszchenk decided to take on a new challenge this year and asked to teach the Severe Emotional Disorder class that was being moved to Randleman Middle. She has done an outstanding job of establishing procedures and routines, creating a positive rewards system, and providing structure, all while teaching core content for three grade levels. In five short weeks, Ms. Wyszchenk's students have grown to love her and regularly say how much they enjoy being at school. We are excited to select Stephanie Wyszchenk as Randleman Middle School's STAR Employee for October.