# Randolph County School System "RCSS STAR Employees" for December 2023



#### Archdale Elementary School – Robin Johnson

Mrs. Johnson plays a vital role in the kindergarten team. This year she has taken the lead in her kindergarten classroom while we had a long-term sub. She stepped up and made sure that all students in the classroom started their school year off on the right foot. With over 20 years of experience in kindergarten, she was able to continue the daily instruction for the students. She is a dedicated and hard worker who goes above and beyond in everything she does. She maintains a positive attitude and has fun in all that she does. It is not uncommon to see her singing and dancing with students to keep their attention. We are proud to have Mrs. Johnson represent Archdale Elementary as our STAR Employee!

#### Hopewell Elementary School – Kara Billings

Mrs. Billings admirably handles a busy workload. In addition to her workload, she willingly assists teammates and offers tremendous support, not only to her teammates but to our students with higher needs. Her unwavering support extends beyond her team; she consistently checks on her students and ensures fellow teachers have the necessary resources, contributing significantly to the overall impact on student learning. She excels in building strong connections with families, fostering a sense of inclusion, and ensuring they feel actively involved in their child's education. Her dedication and mentorship make her an invaluable asset to our school community. We are blessed to have Mrs. Billings at the Hive and are proud to recognize her as our Star employee for this month.

#### John Lawrence Elementary School – Madison Prevatte

As our Media Specialist at John Lawrence Elementary School, Madison Prevatte, is consistently supporting our staff and students through her teaching skills in the media classroom. In addition to teaching our students, she happily assists staff with any technology issues that may arise. Mrs. Prevatte can come up with innovative ideas and develops wonderful learning opportunities for both students and staff. She continues to make the media center a place that students desire to visit for good books as well as a fun time of learning. Mrs. Prevatte came to our media center from a first-grade classroom and has made the transition seamlessly. She has a bright future ahead of her as JLE's Media Specialist and will undoubtedly continue to positively impact our school community. Congratulations to Madison Prevatte, for being John Lawrence Elementary School's Star Employee!

## New Market Elementary School – Steve Baker

New Market Elementary is proud to recognize Steve Baker as our STAR Employee. Mr. Baker is the Head custodian at New Market Elementary and he goes above and beyond to make sure our school is clean. He is always willing to help others in need, no task is too big or too small for Mr. Baker. He is very thorough in his work. He leads by example to his coworkers and makes sure all areas of our school are welcoming for students and parents. In the mornings you will find him standing at the front door greeting students as they arrive. Mr. Baker has a great personality and builds a great rapport with students and parents. Mr. Baker is truly an asset to our school and we are honored to have Mr. Baker as our Star Employee at New Market Elementary.

## Randolph Early College High School – Kim Davis

Kim Davis began at RECHS as our interventionist during the 2022-2023 school year. She came on board and quickly jumped into each committee serving on the School Improvement Team, Recruitment Team and MTSS. She also began advising the drama club. When RECHS had a math opening mid-semester this year, she transitioned to our Math I teacher and joined the math department. Her colleagues note that she is an amazing coworker and teacher. This semester she has had to step up to the plate in many capacities. She took on a new position in the middle of the semester with enthusiasm, she is highly engaged in her graduate studies and applies her knowledge and newly acquired skills to her work at the early college. She ALWAYS has a smile on her face and a warm greeting when you see her. She is ready and willing to take something off your plate to make your life less stressful even though she is often at her own max capacity. Ms. Davis is excited to collaborate and continue to improve her craft as an educator.

## Trindale Elementary School – Rebecca Surles

Rebecca Surles goes above and beyond in her job as a teacher assistant. She has a charismatic, fun-loving touch with her students. Her sense of humor radiates when she works with students in small groups and when she is a substitute bus driver each morning. She partners with the classroom teacher in teaching her K/1 Combination students throughout the day. Students who have had Ms. Surles previously still stop by to see her in the mornings because of the relationship that she has built with each one. She always steps up when she is needed in other areas and does so with a positive attitude. Ms. Surles is always encouraging when someone is down. She has a "we got this" attitude when something is difficult. Trindale Elementary is proud to announce Rebecca Surles as December's Star Employee.

## Trinity Elementary School – Rachael Fry

Trinity Elementary would like to recognize our Assistant Principal, Rachael Fry, as our December STAR employee. Since joining our staff mid-year during the 22-23 school year, Mrs. Fry jumped right in to her role as Assistant Principal. Her door is always open for staff, students, and parents. She is a wonderful asset to our school. She always has a smile on her face and steps up whenever needed. We are proud to recognize Mrs. Fry

## Trinity High School – Elizabeth Tillery

Elizabeth Tillery is the advisor for Beta Club. Through Beta Club she organizes multiple charity events a year, raising thousands of dollars for charities, including Run 5 Feed 5. She inspires her club members (and some non-club members) to come to school early or during their free periods to sell candy grams. She also organizes a lot of service events for her students. She is very conscientious about accessibility with her Beta Club students, ensuring they can earn points through service work at school without having to purchase items. Elizabeth also does a fantastic job of recruiting and encouraging students to challenge themselves with our AP Language course.

## Trinity Middle School – Kim Cates

Kim has made the front office a pleasant place where students, parents, and staff are welcomed with a warm greeting and a wonderful smile. Along with her wonderful attitude, she is always willing to lend a hand to accomplish whatever is needed. If she is needed to drive a bus, she is happy to do so. If you need her to cover lunch, she is happy to do so. She has been a wonderful addition to an already wonderful office staff. Her great attitude and her can-do spirit are what make her our STAR employee here at TMS. Thank you, Kim!

## Wheatmore High School – Chrissy Pierce

To say Mrs. Chrissy Pierce is an extremely hard-working child nutritionist is an understatement. Since becoming manager, it is very apparent that she performs her work with passion and pride, which is duplicated by her employees. Mrs. Pierce is an integral part of a positive working environment that makes serving students nutritional meals a priority. From notifying the school of the daily menu to preparing customized meals for students with dietary needs, Chrissy Pierce demonstrates her desire to have a positive impact on the lives of the people she serves. Mrs. Pierce feels her job performance is a direct reflection of her character and leaves no stone unturned in making sure her job tasks are completed and every child's nutritional needs are met with the highest level of professionalism. Wheatmore High School is proud to have Chrissy Pierce as a member of the Warrior family and our STAR employee for December.

## Wheatmore Middle School – Cassie Spears

Wheatmore Middle School is proud to recognize Cassie Spears, School Nutrition Manager, as our STAR Employee. Cassie is a team player who goes above and beyond to ensure our students are fed and cared for. In addition to her duties as Cafeteria Manager, she fills in regularly as a sub bus driver and does so with a positive attitude. She is always willing to help out and demonstrates #TheWarriorWay in all she does.