Franklin County Announces Mrs. Beth Chaddon as February's "Educator of the Month"



February 2015 - FCCSC Superintendent, Dr. Debbie Howell, is pleased to announce that 37-year veteran English teacher, Mrs. Beth Chaddon, has been selected as February's "Educator of the Month". Mrs. Chaddon began her teaching career with the Franklin County Community Schools in 1977, only four shorts months after graduating from Indiana University.

Mrs. Chaddon was nominated as "Educator of the Month" by a current FCHS student. The student stated, "Mrs. Chaddon stands out from other teachers because she knows how to reach us without saying the wrong

things, yet she always controls the situation. She will never turn her back on a student in need, even when it is nearly impossible. She learns our interests inside and outside of school, and finds a common thread between us. She gives us ALL opportunities for success. She is a teacher that changed everything for me, and I think it is time for her to be recognized for how many lives she has changed!"

When asked what she most enjoyed about her job at FCHS, she replied, "The best part of teaching is in knowing that no day will be the same. Imagine thirty-seven years of wonder, of never knowing what the next day will bring, of getting to know literally thousands of young people, the vast majority of whom have loving hearts!" Mrs. Chaddon also went on to sing the praises of her colleagues, both past and present. "The list has no end of all the educators who have improved my life, the lives of my family, and the lives of so many others."

Family is important to Mrs. Chaddon, and she loves spending her precious "free time" with them. She is quick to brag on her new grandson, Will, who is both intelligent and handsome. She also enjoys cooking, gardening, golfing, and traveling. In addition, Mrs. Chaddon considers herself an amateur bee-keeper.

The purpose of the "Educator of the Month" program is to recognize outstanding Franklin County educators who demonstrate excellence in the classroom, leadership in the school, dedication to the students, and involvement in the community. According to Dr. Howell, Mrs. Chaddon excels in all areas. She has been the recipient of the ISTAR Educator award, serves as English Department Chair at FCHS, and is an active member of the Whitcomb United Methodist Church.

Nomination forms for "Educator of the Month" can be found on the school corporation website at www.fccsc.k12.in.us.