



Great Falls Public Schools

Good Apple Award Recipients

Zach Dusko, 2nd Engineer, C. M. Russell High School, was recommended for a Good Apple Award by Amanda Blair, Resource 3 Teacher, C. M. Russell High School, because of the following: Zach is one of those people that everyone can count on. He is more than an engineer in our building. He brings calm to the building. He is willing to work Saturdays late and has been working on the Covid cleanup team for other schools in the district. During the pandemic, Zach showed perseverance and obtained his boilers license. This is a goal that Zach has been working towards for 5 years. Zach is definitely a good apple.

Jennifer Creed, Occupational Therapist, Paris Gibson Education Center, was recommended for a Good Apple Award by Ty Moore, Principal, Lincoln Elementary School, and Carol Paul, Student Services Coordinator, District Office Building, because of the following: Jen, our Occupational Therapist at Lincoln, is a very important member in a team of teachers, paras, and nurses supporting students with extraordinary needs. Jen has gone over and above her normal duties, spending time to research new tools and technologies to help special education students to their full potential. As an advocate for the adults teaching students in special education, Jen designed training modules for staff to learn the tools to best serve the specific needs of students. Great teachers and great therapists follow the rule of individualized learning that is the hallmark of special education. Jen's enthusiasm for teaching both students and teachers has resulted in the use of some of these tools by the general education teacher for all students in the class. Thank you, Jen, for being such a leader in technologies for students, thank you for being a leader who shares what she knows and encourages colleagues to keep learning and trying new tools. She even takes home broken switches and repairs them! Thank you most for doing everything in your power to support your students and the teams who work with them. Lincoln School and Great Falls Public Schools are better place for all students because of the work you do every day!