

# GOOD APPLE



## CLINT HOUSTON

*Student Resource Officer, Great Falls High School*

Recommended for a Good Apple Award  
by Marla Wilckens, Neighbor,  
because of the following:

*I live near GFHS. A friend was delivering a flower arrangement to me as I had recent surgery. She uses a cane and was having difficulty in navigating the icy patches in the street and by the curb. Mr. Houston, who was driving by, stopped his car and asked her if she needed help. She said "Yes". He parked his car, and proceeded to help her off the street, over the curb and up to the front door of my home. He waited patiently while she delivered the arrangement to me. He offered to wait as long as it took for us to visit and helped her back to her car. Both of us really appreciated his good will in helping my friend. He took time from his schedule to make sure my friend did not have any mishap.*





**DANEEN PATE**  
*Administrative Assistant, District Office*

Recommended for a Good Apple Award  
by Nicole Heintzelman, Principal, Riverview Elementary School,  
because of the following:

*Daneen is a wealth of knowledge! As I learn the ropes as the leader of a school, Daneen answers my endless questions with patience and kindness. From minor details, to major concerns she is always willing to point me in the right direction of who I may need to talk to. If she is unsure of an answer, she is willing to seek out the answer and quickly respond back to me. I greatly appreciate Daneen's knowledge, and her patience with me and my endless questions!*



**PATRICK BRENNAN**  
*Programmer/Operator, District Office*

Recommended for a Good Apple Award by Jamie Wanner, Finance Technician, and Aly Konecny, Business Office Lead, both District Offices, because of the following:

*With IPS going out of business, Patrick helped take over the added challenges of Bulk Mailings. Patrick had to learn new software and USPS mailing regulations as well as continue with his regular District duties. We appreciate his positive attitude and willingness to jump in and help the Business Office.*





## **RHONDA WESTPHAL**

*Special Education Para Educator,  
Longfellow Elementary School*



Recommended for a Good Apple Award by  
Jen Cloutier, Resource 1 Teacher,  
Longfellow Elementary School,  
because of the following:

*Rhonda is a hard worker. She demonstrates flexibility and accepts change as it happens. Rhonda is willing to jump in and help out wherever she is needed without hesitation. She shows up to work on time every single day with a positive attitude. She takes charge when she needs too. Rhonda does a fantastic job of continuing to meet students where they are at. She is very appreciated in Miss Jen's Resource 1 classroom at Longfellow.*

## **CHERYL TAYLOR**

*Special Education Para Educator  
Giant Springs Elementary School*



Recommended for a Good Apple Award by Melanie Knutson,  
School Registered Nurse, Giant Springs Elementary School,  
because of the following:

*Cheryl is one of our paras and is always observant and a strong advocate for our kiddos, especially the ones who are unable to speak for themselves. Recently, she persisted in voicing her concerns when she felt a child was "off" and was behaving in a way she had never seen before. This prompted mom to take the student to her doctor and seek further intervention. This is only one of the many times that Cheryl has spoken out and advocated for her students when she felt something was not right. She is compassionate and prioritizes the needs of her students.*



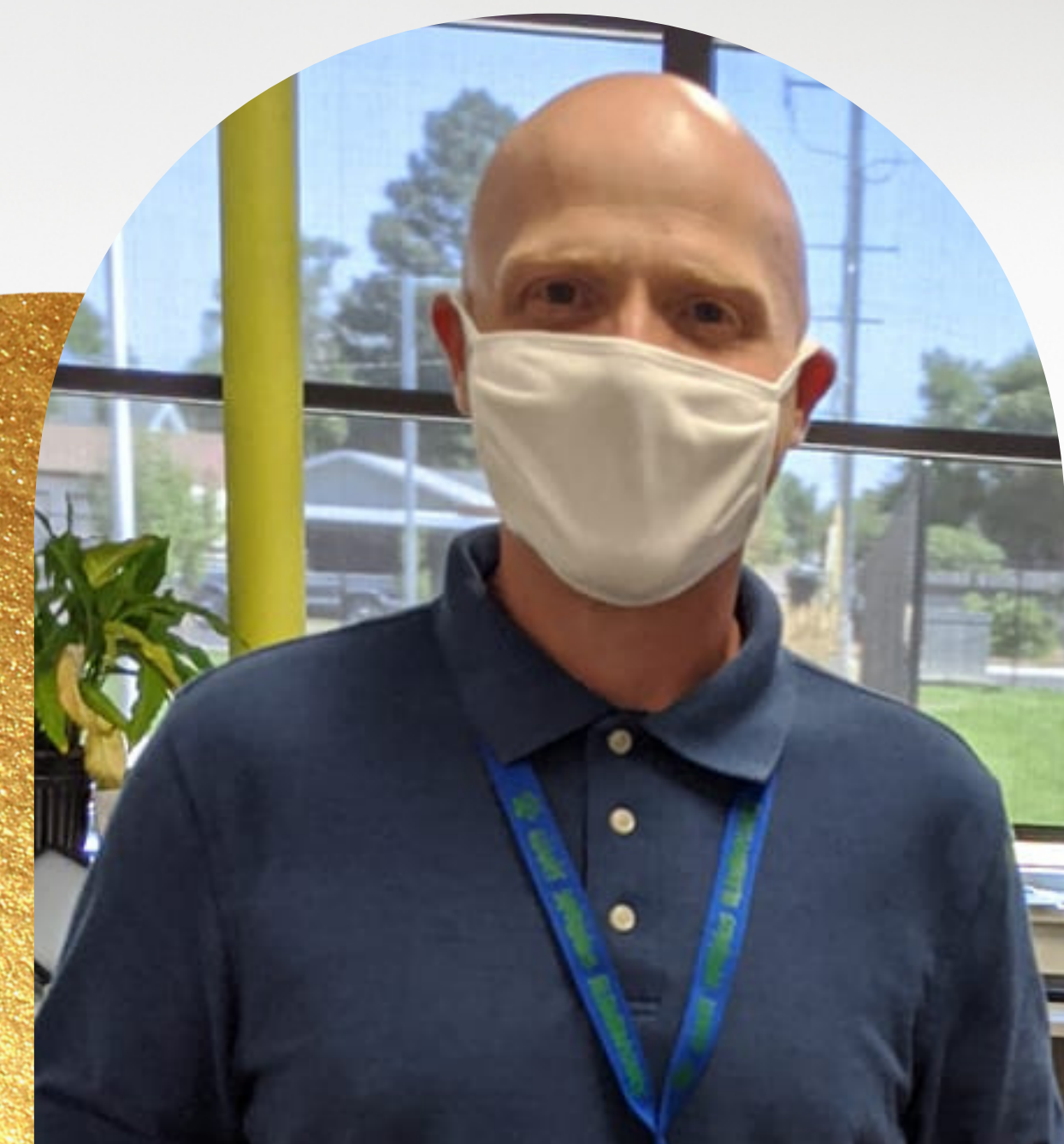


**ELLEN COOGAN**  
*Substitute Teacher, District Wide*



Recommended for a Good Apple Award by Brian Miller,  
Principal, Chief Joseph Elementary School,  
because of the following:

*Mrs. Coogan has whole-heartedly embraced her role as stand-in counselor, here at Chief Joseph. Not only has she embraced the demands and expectations of running the classroom and teaching the curriculum, but she has also become a comforting presence to our staff and students. She is constantly smiling, checking in on kiddos, and providing support wherever needed. She even volunteered to be the crossing guard for a week while our regular was out. She is doing GREAT things! And we are so fortunate to have her with us this year.*



**BILL SCHLOSSER**  
*First Engineer, Giant Springs Elementary School*

Recommended for a Good Apple Award by Melanie Knutson, School Registered Nurse, Giant Springs Elementary School, because of the following:

*Mr. Bill is our engineer and is always going above and beyond for our school, staff, and students. Whether it is hosing down muddy boots, giving a hug or a high five, or shoveling snow, he is always working hard keeping Giant Springs a safe place to be. He is a much needed positive male role model for our students.*





## **LISA WINTERS**

*Library/Media Assistant,  
North Middle School*

Recommended for a Good Apple Award by Spartans,  
7th Grade Team, North Middle School,  
because of the following:

*It is impossible to look out the doors of our classrooms and not notice Lisa working hard to make North a better place. She is constantly on the go, decorating the library, keeping the bulletin boards up to date, and organizing and enhancing staff functions like potlucks and retirement parties. She does an amazing job helping students and staff with their needs, and she does it all with a smile on her face. Thank you for making North Middle School a better place to work.*

## **AMY GILBERTSON**

*Occupational Therapist  
Paris Gibson Educational Center*



Recommended for a Good Apple Award by  
Jennifer Cloutier, Resource 1 Teacher, Longfellow  
Elementary Teacher, because of the following:

*Amy has made a tremendous impact in my classroom. Every day, multiple students ask me if Miss Amy is coming today. She provides knowledge and feedback on how we can best provide support to our students. As a newer teacher, Amy has given me grace and taken the time to help me understand different strategies that I can provide to my students. She is always checking in and asking how she can help or what I need to be successful. Thank you for being so caring, kind and passionate about our students and their growth! I appreciate you!*