



Birdville Independent School District
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“A Touch of Class” Nomination Form

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Date: 5/30//2008

Nominee: Katie Bowman

Campus/Department: Director of Business

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Katie has gone over and beyond to help me with budget questions. She always responds quickly to e-mails and even if she doesn't have an answer, she will let me know she is working on it. I appreciate Katie so much! She is a great asset to BISD. We are fortunate to have her.

Submitted by: Andrea



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Nominee: George Lin

Campus/Department: TIMS Department

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

I'd like to recognize George Lin for his hard work and dedication to BISD. To me, George is a miracle worker! As grant coordinator I spend many hours reporting to TEA. It is extremely time consuming. George put together several web-based programs that saves me and others working on the grant many hours of data crunching. The time-savings estimate could be as many as 300 hours per year! His efforts have lead to much greater efficiency, which translates to more quality time with the students. Thank you George! You are a genius!

Submitted by: Kathy Handler, 21st CCLC Grant Coordinator



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Nominee: Karen Teeters

Campus/Department: TIMS Department

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I am sure the TIMS department is constantly bombarded with requests from teachers, yet these three are always positive and diligent in serving our needs. Brad and Linda have been courteous, helpful, and professional whenever I have dealt with them. However, I have had the most contact with Karen. Her kind and personable demeanor, along with her knowledge and work ethic, have made her a great help to and a pleasant part of Haltom High School.

Submitted by: Jennifer



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Nominee: Brad Butler

Campus/Department: TIMS Department

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Nominee: Linda Molinar

Campus/Department: TIMS Department

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Nominee: Scott Forester

Campus/Department: TIMS Department

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

I would like to thank Scott for everything he does for me each time I call or e-mail. Many, many years ago, he started "rescuing" me from my technological trials. He spends tireless amounts of time taking care of problems, sending me things I need, or just being a support. I am truly grateful for his kindness and compassion. He is an asset to the BISD community and I truly value him! Thanks Scott!

Submitted by: Shannon



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Nominee: JaNae Bryant

Campus/Department: Birdville Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

I have to start off by saying that this teacher is a truly amazing person. I've come to know her as a compassionate and loving teacher and have learned so much from her. JaNae did not know me personally but as a fellow colleague gave me hours of her personal time in helping me to write TAKS Alt objectives. I want her to know that I will never forget what she did for me and that I will be there for her if she ever needs me.

It is with the highest of respect and my honor that I nominate JaNae Bryant for the Touch of Class Award

Submitted by: Cheryl



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Nominee: Christina McCully

Campus/Department: Foster Village Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Mrs. McCully is a great teacher. She is dedicated to the students in her class and gives 100% during the class day, making each day interesting and challenging for her students. What impresses me most is that she also stays late to invest in them after school. She always helps make Spring Fling at F.V. a super fun activity that the students look forward to each year. They work hard all year to earn the privilege of participating in it with her. My daughter has loved fourth grade because of this great teacher. Birdville is lucky to have a teacher like her!

Submitted by: Mary



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Nominee: Tiffany Comstock

Campus/Department: Francisco Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

You did such a great job organizing and running our Field Day. It was a success and you handled yourself with grace. Thanks for a job well done. The students at our school had a great time. Ashley Ammons

Submitted by: Ashley



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Date: 5/5/2008

Nominee: Lou Ann Williams

Campus/Department: Hardeman Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

I was at the school for a meeting just after school let out. I asked at the office if someone could watch my son, a kindergartener at the school, while I met with his teacher and other staff. Mrs. Williams, who is not even my son's teacher, offered to take him to her classroom. When I went to pick him up from her room, she was actually down on the floor playing the Cootie game with him! She could have easily given him something to do so she could get some work done but she didn't. Thank you Mrs. Williams for making the extra effort for my son!

Submitted by: Valerie



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Nominee: Carol Souther

Campus/Department: Hardeman Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Hardeman is very lucky to have such a wonderful 1st grade teacher. I am so blessed that both of my daughters have been taught by Mrs. Souther. She encourages her students to do their very best. Thank you so much Mrs. Souther for teaching my girls so much and loving them in the process. You will be forever in their hearts.

Submitted by: Wendy



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Date: 5/20/2008

Nominee: Melissa Le

Campus/Department: Holiday Heights Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Mrs. Le has been both of my grandchildren's kindergarten teacher. Haley and Hunter have both benefited so much being in her class. She is an awesome teacher! She genuinely loves children and is the most kind and caring teacher I have ever seen. Mrs. Le makes learning fun and she has the amazing ability to keep her students focused, which is not always easy with a group of five and six year olds. I have tremendous respect for her as a teacher and as a person. She is very special.

Submitted by: Penny (Nana)



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Date: 5/23/2008

Nominee: Deana Hoffman

Campus/Department: Mullendore Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

On March 13, Brittany and I were involved in an accident on Rufe Snow about 3:45 p.m. Miss Hoffman just happened to be driving by and saw the accident happen. She stopped, made sure we were okay and called the police, because the driver of the other vehicle was very angry. Miss Hoffman stayed on the phone with the police until someone arrived. I very much appreciate this school nurse.

Submitted by: Lou Ann



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Nominee: Deborah Coulson

Campus/Department: North Ridge Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

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Submitted by: Donna



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Date: 5/17/2008

Nominee: Donna Barker

Campus/Department: Smith Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Mrs. Barker has been a wonderful second grade teacher for my grandson. She has shown compassion and understanding in helping him become a successful student and a more positive individual. Her love for him has been unconditional and he feels this love each day he is in her class at school. We appreciate her so much!

Kim & Donna Martin, Craig & Dawn Waisanen, Doug & Kay Waisanen

Submitted by: Kay



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Nominee: Cindy Koerber

Campus/Department: Stowe Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Encouragement!! Ms. Koerber has been a Wonderful Mentor to my son since K. He tells her daily how he did (what color he is on-conduct). He would rather "eat dirt" than hurt her feelings or make her sad. She has helped him with self imagine, good conduct and she for sure "goes the extra mile." She is Always wearing a warm, sincere smile and has greeted me very kindly! I would just like to Thank her for going ABOVE and BEYOND to make a positive IMPRESSION On Children!! Thank you Ms. Cindy for all you do everyday for my son and other's on a daily basis. WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST~~ BECAUSE YOUR GOOD IS BETTER AND YOUR BETTER IS BEST!!! lol Jaden

Submitted by: Anita



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Date: 5/10/2008

Nominee: Nancy Kozak

Campus/Department: Walker Creek Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Mrs. Kozak is not only an outstanding teacher, but also an angel. When I was diagnosed with breast cancer, she offered to help in anyway she could. She made sure my daughter was doing okay in school, her constant calls and words of encouragement helped me during the difficult times. During my time off from work, I was able to see the love and dedication Mrs. Kozak has for her kids. Please honor, in any way you can, such passion for teaching and caring towards others.

Submitted by: Lizette



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Date: 5/28/2008

Nominee: Sally Herrell

Campus/Department: North Oaks Middle School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Coach Herrell has been such a great inspiration to my daughter Kayli Stark, she has encouraged her, believed in her and has been there for her no matter what the situation. We are going to miss her tremendously when my daughter leaves NOMS. Coach Herrell believed Kayli would pass the math TAKS test and helped her with strategies to pass it and called me and was so proud to tell me that my daughter passed the test, I think all three of us were crying. She is a great asset to the BISD and all students.

Submitted by: Patti Gee



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Nominee: Anita Green

Campus/Department: North Richland Middle

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Anita is an EA in our Special Ed. Department. We have had two students that did not have any money to purchase a yearbook and Anita paid for them with her personal money. How thoughtful!!

Submitted by: Andrea and Rosey



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Nominee: Scott Gregory

Campus/Department: Smith Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Mr. Gregory has been a wonderful principal for our grandson. He has shown compassion and understanding in helping him become a successful student and a more positive individual. He has not only been a positive influence and role model for Ian, but also for the other students at David E. Smith. Birdville Schools are very fortunate to have him as a principal.

Submitted by: Kay



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Nominee: Bill Biggers

Campus/Department: Smithfield Middle, Crossing Guard

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Bill is there, wind, rain or shine, watching over our students ensuring their safety; this is not a "job", it is an act of loving service. Bill noticed one of his students was no longer riding his bicycle and discovered the student's bike had been stolen. Bill located a donated bicycle to replace the stolen one. Later, the family called and thanked him, explaining they were dealing with cancer in the family and other serious struggles. Bill only asks that "we just care enough to avail ourselves to the things happening around us every day... and to 'pay it forward'".

Submitted by: Anonymous



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Nominee: Kerri Rowe

Campus/Department: Smithfield Middle School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Mrs. Rowe is the best reading teacher I have ever had. She explains everything so well and she tells you like it should be told. She makes reading so much fun. I actually enjoy reading now.

Submitted by: McKenna



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Nominee: Shannon Houston

Campus/Department: Watauga Middle School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Shannon Houston has done such an awesome job as Principal this year at WMS! She has somehow learned the names of each and every student-and greets them by name each time she sees them! She has helped me through a lot this year, and has been encouraging and thoughtful from day one. As a parent of a WMS student, I take considerable comfort knowing that a person such as Shannon is overseeing his education and care. Shannon Houston ROCKS!!!

Submitted by: Kristen



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Nominee: Phyllis Scott

Campus/Department: Birdville High School

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Nominee: Whitney Nogle

Campus/Department: Birdville High School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

Ms. Nogle has been a positive influence on my son, Kyle. She praises him all the time. She makes class time interesting and fun. Kyle loves going to her class. Luckily he has Ms. Nogle for 2 classes, she starts and ends his day. He loves school and it is especially nice when the student looks forward to going to class. Ms. Nogle is wonderful to all students (special and otherwise).

Submitted by: Debbie



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Nominee: Amy Deweese

Campus/Department: Richland High School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child?

I met Amy for the first time the day her brother-in-law died. I was welcomed into their family (I was his friend) like I was one of their own. Before I knew Amy was a RHS teacher, I was so impressed with her compassion. Then I found out she was a teacher in BISD, and it made me so proud to be a part of this district. She began talking to me about some of her students, and I could see a genuine love in her eyes. You don't see that a lot. Teaching isn't just a job for Amy- it's her heart. Thanks Amy!

Submitted by: Kristen



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Nominee: James Whitfield

Campus/Department: Richland High School

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Coach Whitfield is awesome. My daughter was so lucky to have him this year. He is not only a teacher but someone that really looks for the strengths in his students. Students have respect for him not because he demands it but because he respects them. Thank you coach for all you do!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Submitted by: Ms. Oseguera