Randolph County School System
“RCSS STAR Employees” for September 2018

Archdale Elementary School - Tammy Hemric
As a special educator in our Exceptional Children department, Tammy Hemric exemplifies the commitment, enthusiasm, and expertise of the Archdale Elementary School faculty and their collective dedication to the growth and development of every student. Ms. Hemric cares deeply about the individual needs of each student and works diligently to assess, research, and design instruction based on individual learning styles. She effectively collaborates with classroom teachers to ensure that all students have access to each grade level’s curriculum, while developing targeted goals that encourage continual improvement. Ms. Hemric effectively bridges the special education and general education worlds, which ultimately benefit every student. Her dedication was particularly evident in her service to students during the extended school year, when her students showed growth in reading and math.

Congratulations to Tammy Hemric, Archdale Elementary School’s STAR Employee award for September.

Archdale-Trinity Middle School - Cory Bentley
Eighth grade science teacher and yearbook advisor Cory Bentley truly is a teacher leader at Archdale-Trinity Middle School. There is never a moment in which he is unwilling to go above and beyond the typical call of duty, whether as diligent minutes-taker for the School Improvement Team or the creative spark behind pep rallies and other school functions. In addition, Mr. Bentley maintains a well-functioning classroom, as his room’s interior is always bright and inviting and his educational content and knowledge base is first-rate. Add to this the abundance of time and care he takes in developing ATMS’ award-winning yearbook and you have the essence of a STAR teacher. Congratulations to Cory Bentley, Archdale-Trinity Middle School’s STAR Employee for September.

Braxton Craven School - Kelly Sinclair
Kelly Sinclair is an Exceptional Children (EC) teacher at Braxton Craven School and she is absolutely wonderful at every task she takes on. She has stepped up to take on the role as EC chair and has been instrumental in helping plan our new schedule for the 2018-2019 school year. Ms. Sinclair has a remarkable impact on students and her constant positive attitude makes her a valuable asset to the Braxton Craven staff. We are lucky to have her as part of the Bulldog Nation and we are proud to select Kelly Sinclair as Braxton Craven School’s STAR Employee for September.

Hopewell Elementary School - Jayna Patterson
Jayna Patterson consistently exhibits the characteristics of a STAR Employee. She works diligently to ensure that all students are served equitably in the Exceptional Children (EC) program. Along with her responsible nature and exceptional character, Mrs. Patterson consistently looks for ways to better serve students and ensure that their needs are met in the best possible way. She has a tremendous work ethic and always exhibits a positive attitude when confronting difficult tasks and completing complex schedules for the EC department. Mrs. Patterson has served as the Multi-Tiered System of Support chair for the school and represented the school as the EC chairperson. Her commitment to students and her positive outlook towards her work and kids make Jayna Patterson a tremendous choice to represent Hopewell Elementary School as our STAR Employee for September.
**John Lawrence Elementary School - Mickey Johnson**

The faculty and staff are the backbone of John Lawrence Elementary School, each member contributing to the growth and development of our students. One role that is especially vital to our collective growth is that of our lead teacher, Mrs. Mickey Johnson. Mrs. Johnson exemplifies the characteristics of an inspirational educator who is dedicated to challenging the status quo and building the capacity of every teacher. She effectively supports teachers across the curriculum by providing ongoing professional development, resources, instructional strategies, and data analysis. Most importantly, Mrs. Johnson champions a student-centered learning environment and continuous improvement while maintaining a disarming disposition, unwavering kindness, and a high level of instructional and curricular expertise. She helps make us who we are and is very deserving of John Lawrence Elementary School’s STAR Employee award for September.

**New Market Elementary School - Steve Baker**

Steve Baker is well-deserving of New Market Elementary School’s STAR Employee award. He is our head custodian and has a serving spirit and a “can do” attitude. Anytime Mr. Baker is called upon to provide assistance in classrooms, office, or cafeteria, he is quick to respond and thoroughly completes all that is asked of him. He has great rapport with all staff members. Often, Mr. Baker will come up with great ideas on ways to improve our school campus or make it safer. This summer, he and his custodial staff did a marvelous job of getting the school clean and ready for students, despite several projects going on in the school. Mr. Baker worked tirelessly, and due to his efforts, our school looks amazing! With honor and pride, we select Steve Baker as New Market Elementary School’s STAR Employee for September.

**Trindale Elementary School - Kathy Hayes**

Cafeteria manager Kathy Hayes has become a vital part of the “dale” community. She always has a positive attitude while working in our cafeteria. Ms. Hayes will do whatever she can to help a child, and she creates a friendly and inviting cafeteria experience for our students. Ms. Hayes is a team player who is willing to help. The entire staff is thankful to have Kathy Hayes as our cafeteria manager, and we are pleased to select her as Trindale Elementary School’s STAR Employee for September.

**Trinity Elementary School - Cherri Byers**

Cherri Byers' official title is School Nutrition Assistant/Bus Driver at Trinity Elementary School. However, she goes above and beyond those roles. You can find Ms. Byers interacting with students, helping with PTA, and mentoring new drivers and cafeteria staff. She is conscientious, efficient, and genuinely cares about our students and staff. Ms. Byers is a staff member who always has a smile on her face, is willing to do anything for our school, and always exhibits Bulldog Pride. Trinity Elementary School is proud to recognize Cherri Byers as our STAR Employee for September.

**Trinity High School - Catherine Temple**

Catherine Temple is an Exceptional Children (EC) Resource and Inclusion teacher at Trinity High School, and is also the EC Department Chair. She has worked at Trinity for four years and was a member of Trinity High’s graduating class of 2010. Mrs. Temple and her husband, a local firefighter, live and work in the community, so they are deeply rooted here and are passionate about the community. Mrs. Temple is highly regarded by her colleagues, because she always works hard to do what is best for her students and for the school. She has been praised by her colleagues as being “compassionate about the students and the school. She is willing to work long hours to ensure her students get what they need.” Mrs. Temple is a great team player and will bend over backwards to help in any way that she can. Congratulations, Catherine Temple, Trinity High School’s STAR Employee for September.
Wheatmore High School - Kristin Shores
Teacher Assistant Kristin Shores has been an incredible addition to the Functional Skills classrooms at Wheatmore High School. She has given one hundred percent of herself to our students and staff. Ms. Shores has worked many extra hours outside of normal work hours to help teachers create an appropriate environment for students to receive the education they deserve. Mrs. Shores provides our students with a loving and nurturing approach upon arriving to school. She has wonderful relationships with students, parents, and staff alike. Mrs. Shores has brought many great ideas to the classroom that make our days run smoothly. She is willing to do whatever it takes to help our students be the best they can be. Mrs. Shores has an excellent work ethic and proves to be a wonderful employee every day. Wheatmore High School is proud for Kristin Shores to represent our school as STAR Employee for September.