

# *2017 David Simon Excellence in Education Awards*

## **Award Finalists**

### **Secondary Certified Employee of the Year**

Joseph Hayes - Instructional Technology Facilitator at Beddingfield High  
Christine Mitchell - Instructional Technology Facilitator at Speight Middle  
Deb Rogers - Counselor at Fike High

### **Secondary Classified Employee of the Year**

Maurice Barnes - Student Intervention Specialist at Daniels Learning Center  
Sharon High-Jones - Exceptional Children Teacher Assistant at Forest Hills Middle  
Brenda Webb - Secretary/Bookkeeper at Wilson Academy of Applied Technology

### **Secondary Beginning Teacher of the Year**

Victoria Barnes - Agriculture Teacher at Springfield Middle  
Francesco Erice - Band Director at Toisnot Middle  
Shelly Maloney - Art Teacher at Forest Hills Middle

### **Secondary Lifetime Achievement Award**

Susette Artis - Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Teacher at Toisnot Middle  
Betsy Sullivan - Exceptional Children Teacher at Beddingfield High  
Hilda Tew - Eighth-grade Science Teacher at Elm City Middle

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### **Elementary Certified Employee of the Year**

Karen Morton - Social Worker serving five elementary, two middle and one high school  
Monika Sharma - Curriculum Facilitator at Hearne Elementary  
Donna Sharp - Counselor at Rock Ridge Elementary

### **Elementary Classified Employee of the Year**

Crystal Anderson - Teacher Assistant at New Hope Elementary  
Rhonda Faulkner - Computer Lab Assistant at Rock Ridge Elementary  
Cynthia Ramirez - Federal Programs Secretary serving 13 elementary and two middle schools

### **Elementary Beginning Teacher of the Year**

David Applewhite - Physical Education Teacher at Barnes Elementary  
Jennifer Clark - Kindergarten Teacher at Rock Ridge Elementary  
Juana Rivera - Third-grade Teacher at Jones Elementary

### **Elementary Lifetime Achievement Award**

Rosemary Edmundson - Fifth-grade Teacher at Jones Elementary  
Jeanne Ann Ezzell - First-grade Teacher at Rock Ridge Elementary  
Lisa May - Reading Intervention Teacher Support (RITS) at New Hope Elementary