

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

May 2016

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| Dogwood Elementary | LuTana Griffin | all your hard work coordinating a successful Leader in Me night and all the positive relationships you have established with students, staff, and parents. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Tami Moulder | bringing to a close thirty-one years of service in the Camdenton R-III School District. You are the most loving, compassionate and dedicated teacher. Your care and concern for students makes all the difference in the world in the way they work hard and do their best for their beloved teacher. Your contributions throughout the years are too numerous to mention, but just in this school term for 2015-16, you have served as a mentor to the younger teachers within the grade-level, helped facilitate one of Hawthorn's parent advisory groups and provided invaluable contribution as a member of the building's leadership team. You will be sorely missed, but you know you have made a significant difference in the lives of hundreds of students! |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Christi Calvert | serving on our Building Leadership team as well as our technology team. You are an innovative educator who works diligently to incorporate technology and 21st century learning into your curriculum. You provide students with opportunities to collaborate and think critically. You build positive relationships with students, parents and staff. You always have a smile and a kind word. You are passionate about teaching and learning which makes you an exceptional educator! We are lucky to have you as part of our Oak Ridge family! |
| Middle School | Jake Williams | collaborating with the 8th grade content team to write LDC modules into American History curriculum. You have been the creative genius behind the modules and the reason 8th grade history has become an exciting classroom experience. Students delve into historical research to write and analyze how past events shape our country today. You have been chosen by the Student Voice as a favorite teacher who brings rigor, relevance and relationships to your classroom. You are preparing to present your LDC modules nationally at the SREB National Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. We are proud of your expertise and dedication to students. |

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| High School | Dru Duemmel | being an excellent addition to Camdenton High School and the CHS Math Department. You build positive relationships with students and staff, effectively collaborating with your peers, and are willing to incorporate new instructional strategies into lessons. We are fortunate to have you at CHS. |
| LCTC | Josh Toops | working tirelessly this year to lead and improve the LCTC Ag program. You have increased student involvement in FFA leadership development events and also motivated more students to participate in summer fair livestock projects. You helped mentor student teacher, Hayley Miller. You have also built positive relationships with parents and community partners of the Agriculture Program. You have definitely demonstrated excellence in education and have completely earned this award. |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Lana Hughes | building strong relationships with your students and their families. You are a master teacher with a wealth of knowledge in academics and classroom management. You go above and beyond to ensure all students reach their full potential. You are a true asset to our district. |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Rhonda Owens | your commitment to continuous improvement as evidenced by your voluntary attendance at multiple professional development sessions during teacher work day. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Tyler Knight | being an active contributor on the building leadership team and currently serving on the parent advisories. You involve all Hawthorn students in community service projects, most notably with the American Heart Association's "Jump Rope for Heart" campaign. You are responsible for planning and implementing Brain Gym activities as part of morning supervision. However, most impressive of your contributions, was your desire to showcase your physical education program during spring instructional rounds. The peer reviews and comments received were extremely complimentary of how you supported important math concepts and processes while maintaining high levels of student active engagement and collaboration. Teachers were genuinely "blown away" by the rigor and relevance of your physical education lesson. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Stacy Asante | always displaying a positive attitude. You work diligently to bring innovative ideas into your classroom. You are continually looking for ways to collaborate with the health teacher to integrate lessons into PE. You are willing to step into leadership roles within our building and you currently serve on our BLT. Not to mention all of the various activities you support for students. You are passionate about students and their learning. You are a team player in every aspect and we are lucky to have you on staff at Oak Ridge. |
| Middle School | Angela Faoro | the last two years, you have worked with the English Content team to implement Literacy Design into 7 th grade English curriculum and instruction. You have created LDC modules, used best practices in instructional strategies, and aligned assessments to your essential questions and Missouri Learning Standards. You have a positive personality, you are energetic, innovative and create excitement in your classroom. Your dedication and work ethic in education are appreciated. |

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| High School | Patrick Dent | being an excellent addition to CHS and the social studies department. You build positive relationships with students, not only in the classroom, but you also attend a number of extra-curricular activities to show support. You have worked collaboratively with your content team to develop meaningful and relevant lessons as well as rigorous assessments. We are fortunate to have you at CHS! |
| LCTC | Angela Tynes | attending extensive SREB training related to the Career Preparation – Literacy course, and submitting a joint proposal to present at the HSTW Summer 2016 Conference. You are a teacher that puts your whole heart into what you are doing, and what is best for students. Your positive attitude is noticeable! You are not afraid to try something new, and you also provide tremendous resources for all the instructional staff at LCTC. |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Kathleen Oelschlager | being a vital member of our staff Lighthouse Team. You have helped create our student leadership role applications and you also oversee the LEAD groups once students have completed their application. You have worked extremely hard this year to help us meet our 90/90 attendance goal for AYP. We are very proud that we are currently at 90.03% of our students meeting the 90/90 goal. A large part of this success is due to you and the attendance club you have established. You are a true joy to work with! |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Rita Sanders | for your positive communication with students and staff, the flexibility shown when scheduling student sessions, and your overall commitment to the education of our ELL students. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Cory Neusche | not only implementing your guidance curriculum, you are instrumental in providing social-emotional support for our students. You give leadership to our PBS Tier II team as well as providing small group and individual counseling. You develop empathy and trust with the students working with them, helping them to value themselves and appreciate others. Finally, you are facilitating one of our Parent Advisory teams focused on improving student-to-student relationships. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Tammy Stone | doing a fantastic job of building positive relationships with your students. You work diligently to use formative assessment data to guide your instruction to meet the needs of the diverse learners in your room. You are always willing to put in the extra work to ensure that you meet your students' needs. You place high expectations upon yourself and your students. As the leader of our K Kids after school group, you dedicate your time to helping students see the value in community service. You are a respected member of the Oak Ridge Family. |
| Middle School | Bethany New | collaborating with your content team for the last two years to rewrite math curriculum into Math Design Collaborative (MDC) modules. You are presently working with the district math vertical team to align math curriculum, rubrics, and assessments. You are a dynamic teacher in the classroom who challenges students to use the math concepts they learn and then use them in relevant situations. Your positive attitude and energy are appreciated. |
| High School | Tom Martin | your quality instruction and leadership to help students succeed in Speech and Debate. Camdenton High School recently earned first place in the South-Central District competition, with six students advancing to the State level! You do an excellent job of preparing students for competition, while also helping them learn skills that will allow them to successfully be college and career ready. |

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| LCTC | Robert Hayes | dedicating 31 years to LCTC teaching welding and machining. You have touched many students' lives and also teach for LCTC's Community Education evening program. You can also be seen on Wednesday evenings after school assisting students with their technical skills. You led your students in the building of the BBQ grill and hauling trailer for the Camden County Sheriff's Department. While the Metal Fabrication students designed and built the grill and trailer, your "signature" of sturdiness and craftsmanship did not go unnoticed. You are worthy of the Excellence in Education award. |
| Hurricane Deck Elementary | Mike Wonderly | being very dedicated to your students and working hard to find the key that will help make them successful. From year to year, your students will consistently show substantial growth and proficiency with literacy standards. You are also mentoring a new teacher this year and have worked hard to make sure your co-teacher has the necessary tools to be successful. Your dedication is appreciated! |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Tabitha Thompson | being a wealth of knowledge regarding technology. You have facilitated staff trainings on different apps and tools for teachers to use in their classrooms. The items you have shared help our students and teachers think more critically. You have built very positive relationships with the staff at OBE and they are quite comfortable going to you for ideas and suggestions. We are truly blessed to have Mrs. Thompson as a member of our OBE family. |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Meghan Marsh | your outstanding work in the classroom engaging your students and maximizing every minute for learning! |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Jody Watson | demonstrating effectiveness in ensuring student learning and growth as a co-teaching team. Your co-teaching classroom is the only one in the building to demonstrate 90% of the students are on-track to grow a year or more in BOTH reading and math. This is a phenomenal accomplishment given the very unique challenges of the students comprising your class. The vast range of instructional need requires significant differentiation coupled with creative organization and very intentional lesson planning and design. You model what it takes to be a truly effective co-teaching team. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Kira Jasnoch | demonstrating effectiveness in ensuring student learning and growth as a co-teaching team. Your co-teaching classroom is the only one in the building to demonstrate 90% of the students are on-track to grow a year or more in BOTH reading and math. This is a phenomenal accomplishment given the very unique challenges of the students comprising your class. The vast range of instructional need requires significant differentiation coupled with creative organization and very intentional lesson planning and design. You model what it takes to be a truly effective co-teaching team. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Jamin English | doing an amazing job of building strong relationships with students in order to help support the development of the necessary social/emotional skills they need to be successful in school and beyond. Secondly, you are a valuable resource for our teachers. You are always willing to work alongside staff to help students in any way possible. You are approachable and willing to put in the time and effort to support students and staff. Finally, you are a huge asset to our administrative team. You work very closely with Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Conrad in the SWAT team, as well as supporting students with behavior and academic concerns. You are an advocate for students and ALL students are important to you. You are appreciated and Oak Ridge is blessed to have you on staff! |

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| Middle School | Amy Larrington | starting a Science Research class that collaboratively coincides with your colleague, Tim Mulford's, ACI – Science Research class. Your students have been formulating hypotheses, researching data, and writing their conclusions. The students will present their research, in our first local Science Fair, on February 13 th in the Middle School Gym. They will then continue on to State to compete against Missouri schools in April. Your students are working on individual research experiments and collecting their own data. They are finalizing their analysis and creating presentation boards with their findings. We are proud of you and your students. |
| High School/Horizons | Carrie Davis | your work with MDC and changing your classroom model to support students by utilizing individual and small group strategies to meet the needs of each student until they have mastered all standards at 80% or better. |
| LCTC | Liz Pogue | LCTC's participation in the Career Fair is all due to your coordination with the CHS & CMS team. You worked closely with our faculty and students to represent LCTC! Students seek you out for various reasons and know they will be heard! You have developed positive relationships with our sending schools and your peers across the state. Your "gentle heart" is easily seen by our students and faculty. |
| Hurricane Deck Elementary | | |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Sarah Schwantes | doing an outstanding job with our preschoolers at OBE. You use different learning modalities with your students. You are a true team player and your interpersonal skills with other staff members and parents are phenomenal. You are our staff lighthouse team facilitator and are helping guide us to reaching our lighthouse milestone this April. You are an outstanding educator and we are fortunate to have you as a member of our OBE family! |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Jennifer Hollingsworth | your hard work creating an inviting atmosphere for parents and students through consistent communication, planning various activities, and building positive relationships. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Connie Selby | being passionate and competitive in your desire to ensure every student demonstrates academic growth. At semester you had 90% of your students on track to grow a year in reading and 80% on track to grow a year in math. In addition to your commitment to the students in your classroom, you give time and effort to the building's Tier I Positive Behavior Support team helping students succeed socially and emotionally as well as academically. You are an active contributor to your grade-level collaborative team and are well respected by your peers. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Brianna Rodriguez-Menthen | taking an active role in many leadership opportunities for ORI this year. You currently serve on the BLT as well as the LIM Lighthouse team. You head up the staff morale committee through the Lighthouse team. You planned and implemented several activities this year, one being an ugly sweater Christmas contest. You have also incorporated more cooperative learning in your classroom. You have been working on creating a learning environment in which students are positively interdependent. You led a PD session on this at the November staff meeting and it was very well received. We are fortunate to have you on staff! |
| Middle School | Katie Dwiggins | developing the curriculum for Computer I & II classes. You designed Computers I for beginners in business entrepreneurship, Google Docs, and Computer Applications. You also created a more advanced Computer II class for students to design Web Pages and work internationally with students from other countries to address world problems. Currently your class is skyping with Spain and China on global projects. You also teach the Yearbook class and an ACI in Global Communications. Your ACI is working with a school in Taiwan to address world poverty and hunger. You are a member of the Technology Focus Team, the Building Leadership Team and the Career-Readiness Focus Team. You also create and monitor the Middle School Web-page. Your talents and work ethic are appreciated. |

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| High School | Abigail Lauritson | your efforts to organize and carry out the 6 th annual Youth in Transition Fair at State Fair Community College in Lake Ozark, MO. More than 130 students from Camden, Morgan, and Miller counties attended the event to learn about various agencies and post-secondary education options. Great job, Mrs. Lauritson! |
| LCTC | Garry Briscoe | devoting many hours beyond your "contract time." A prime example is your work toward the purchase of the new paint booth and the removal of the existing paint booth. You spent multiple days in the shop during Christmas break to oversee the removal process. You are a contributing member of the Building Leadership Team and you chair the Project-Based Learning team. You quickly establish positive relationships with students and you work diligently to help students succeed. You are quick to give students a second chance and you deserve this award! |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Jamee Sweatt | being the lead teacher when the principal is out of the building. Recently when Mrs. Slack was out for a period of time you did a phenomenal job keeping the building running smoothly. You are very enthusiastic and the love you have for students and learning shines through on a daily basis. You go above and beyond what is required by serving on the Lighthouse Team, teaching PASS and sponsoring the 4th grade math team. You are a master teacher and we are fortunate to have you as a member of our district. It is for these reasons and more that you receive this Excellence in Education Award. |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Michelle Waters | your commitment to the profession, enthusiasm for your job, and the care you provide for your students every day! |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Tyler Knight | serving on our building leadership team as a valuable contributor. When asked, you act as “administrator on duty” if Mrs. Varner and Mr. Shockley have to be out of the building for an extended time. You incorporate math and reading standards into your daily routines for physical education in an effort to support the building’s overall academic performance. You do a great job building positive relationships with students and ensuring active, engaging participation in physical activity. Activities are well designed to maximize the quality and quantity of opportunities for students to develop their cardio endurance and motor skills. Finally, you incorporate our building professional growth goal by having students establish and monitor progress on individual performance goals. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Susan Southwick | As a teacher of students with special needs, you work with some of our most challenging students. You work diligently to determine students’ unique needs and collaborate with teachers to ensure that they receive the support necessary for them to be successful. One of your strengths is collecting data to drive your decision-making both in academics and behavior. You are always willing to work as a team and are open to new strategies to support students. You are truly an advocate for students. Your positive attitude and willingness to always put students first is what makes you such a valuable member of the Oak Ridge staff! |
| Middle School | Kelsey Brown | being a seventh grade math and pre-algebra teacher who has embraced MDC instructional strategies. You made your classroom into a vibrant learning environment where students are empowered to learn. You daily challenge your students to seek answers to problems and to use knowledge and research to seek correct answers. Students are not afraid of failure and collaboratively work together to solve proposed challenges. You are also a member of the Middle School Literacy Focus Team and have been instrumental in helping your department, parents and students understand how to be literate in math. Your positive attitude and work ethic are appreciated. |

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| High School | Nikki Hubbard | being a collaborative educator who is willing to step outside your comfort zone to try new strategies and structures. You are an advocate for student and teacher learning. As the literacy team leader and the ELA department chair, you are organized, flexible and forward thinking. You are an advocate for literacy, good teaching, and our students. We appreciate your dedication to Camdenton High School! |
| LCTC | Janene Rauba | being a passionate educator who continually looks for the best and most current methods to instruct students and our future colleagues in education. You seek regular collaboration, use current resources that teachers are asked to incorporate into our planning and instruction, and do this with regular reflection. You individualize instruction for the specific personalities, interests, and needs of students. You incorporate students' ideas and efforts into many facets of LCTC. For example, the display boards in our foyer are often updated by your Teacher Education block class, and in January, students work on the CTE Month display to highlight each of our programs. Your leadership and instructional practices at LCTC place you as a deserving candidate for the Excellence in Education Award. |
| Hurricane Deck Elementary | Angela Biggers | being such a valuable member of our team at Hurricane Deck Elementary. In the classroom, you are an energetic and dynamic educator who strives to get all your preschoolers ready for kindergarten. Outside of the classroom, you are a leader amongst your peers. You serve on both the Lighthouse Team and the Attendance Action Team. You can always be counted on to come up with the creative idea or solution to a problem, and you always volunteer to help your fellow teachers. We are very lucky to have you! |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Natalie Ricketts | your ability to engage the students in processing skills that help them to further develop their academic number sense. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Kristen Hartman | demonstrating a number of qualities and practices that make you an effective teacher. Over 80% of your students in math and over 90% of your students in reading grew a year or more during the 2014-15 school year. You continue to learn and grow as a professional. You have participated in workshops, summer training and morning professional development opportunities on a regular basis. You implement new approaches and are a building leader in integrating technology into the instructional process. You are quick to collaborate with peers to problem solve tough challenges and to utilize evidence-based approaches to meet the unique needs of your students. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Cindy Cramer | working very hard to implement the components of the Mathematics Design Collaborative in your classroom. You encourage students to take risks, collaboratively tackle math with peers and use what they know to solve rigorous problems. You work diligently to determine students' needs and scaffold learning to support them. You take risks through incorporating strategies that are new to you but proven to be effective in enhancing student learning. You are always willing to work with your team and you are a valuable member of the Oak Ridge staff! |
| Middle School | Kirk Richey | developing your classes into Learner-Centered environments where students research, write, film, analyze, edit and create two to three KLAK shows a week. You teach and facilitate learning in a comfortable, risk free environment where students are able to create and take ownership of their projects and creations. The students in your classes have been working to put together the Veterans Day Assembly videos. You and your students have visited WWII veterans in their homes and video-taped their amazing stories. You have worked hours editing their footage and creating inspiring clips to be featured in our show. The students have filmed messages from all school buildings and also from local businesses for the Veterans show. Your students are always busy creating new material and shows to be seen by the public. We are very proud of you and your students. |

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| High School | Linda Stark | being a team player during content team collaboration and creating resources to share with other teachers. Additionally, you teach the adult Ed ELL class and have increased enrollment enough to require a larger classroom. You keep student learning as your focus and we are fortunate to have you at CHS. |
| LCTC | Jack Dulle | all the hard work you put in with each and every teacher. You communicate with teachers on a weekly basis for attributes to provide differentiated instruction. You are always in the classroom after his lesson to try and promote students' growth, and you have done a great job promoting Skills USA this year. It is evident how the students look up to you and how well you relate to the kiddos. This type of work ethic should not go unnoticed. |
| Hurricane Deck Elementary | Deanna Martin | making such an impact at Hurricane Deck in the short time you have been with us. You work countless hours to learn already existing systems, and to also implement new systems as well. You teach classes, run an attendance club, facilitate an intervention group, facilitate the weekly Student Intervention Team meetings, co-facilitate the Student Lighthouse Team, have implemented a clothes closet called All Decked Out, and many other numerous duties to meet the social/emotional and educational needs of our students. You are a blessed addition to our family at Hurricane Deck Elementary. |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Dr. Nancy Church | doing an outstanding job of providing opportunities for students to learn through many different modes of learning. You are extremely flexible and a true team player. You are also a coach for our robotics team and have built a wonderful rapport with those students and parents. You are a blessing to have as a member of our OBE family. |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Molly Garagnani | your commitment to the education of our students and the extra time and effort you expend working with our Title I program. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Marcie Rollings | a variety of reasons, but first and foremost, you are exceptional in delivering highly effective and engaging speech and language instruction. Your attitude and joy for teaching is contagious. You also serve on our building leadership team in which you provide valuable insight and contribution. Every year you work tirelessly with all of our classroom and special education teachers to build a schedule for your speech/language students that meet each student's service minutes while protecting other important instructional minutes within the day. Just recently, as our building adopted a new instructional schedule to allow for tiered intervention, you championed the change even though it meant a complete re-do in your own personal schedule of servicing students. You are well-deserving of this recognition. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Roxane Hammer | being an amazing teacher. You work very hard to meet the needs of your students. This means you continually get input from the general education teachers who see your students and offer ideas, strategies and materials that will help them be successful. You go above and beyond to support all children. You are a huge asset to Oak Ridge! |
| Middle School | Penny Spencer | integrating your students into every facet of Middle School life. You have a sincere regard for each and every student you work with. You sincerely believe in their ability to learn. You expect them to have responsible careers and also become viable members of our society. You are diligent in working on their communication, social, reading and math skills. You challenge their norms and ask them to explore new experiences. You have students make weekly goals and create action plans. We are so proud of the progress your students have made. Life skill students are an important piece of our culture. They work along beside us and with us. The students and staff love them, feel a natural bond towards them, and are proud of their accomplishments. Congratulations Penny! |

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| High School | Faculty of Pride of the Lake Marching Band (Paul Baur, Mike Fenn, Amanda Fall, Alisha Baur, Tim Roettgen & Chris Garstang) | your outstanding leadership of our students. They have competed at an exceptionally high level and have been very successful in these competitions. Additionally, during trips students have received compliments for their behavior and representation of Camdenton High School. The faculty maintains high expectations and works diligently to help our students achieve them. |
| LCTC | Chef Jackie Wilson | having a big heart! You build positive relationships with all students. You are an excellent role model for students. Not only do you shape your kids into great students, you make them awesome people. You create an environment of enthusiasm for learning and an appreciation for growing. You are one of the first ones here in the morning and one of the last ones to leave. It is an honor to have Chef at LCTC! |
| Hurricane Deck Elementary | Tina Long | truly understanding the holistic approach to education. You work well in a team to brainstorm strategies to meet the unique needs of a child that are above and beyond the instructional practices for teaching reading, writing and math. You truly live up to the mantra of "whatever it takes". Your classroom management is amazing which lends itself to a great learning environment. When you couple that with intentional, differentiated lesson planning you have a winning combination! |
| Osage Beach Elementary | Amber Keeney | You are new to OBE this year and have done a phenomenal job. You have faced many obstacles with the new move. This includes everything from missing furniture to having a leaking urinal, but even with all of the obstacles you have persevered with a smile on your face. You are helping mentor a brand new teacher and are serving on our Staff Lighthouse Team. You have hosted parent lunches already this year and are getting ready to have an author's breakfast. Welcome to OBE! |

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| Dogwood Elementary | Maggie Libby | your application of the 7 habits, in particular synergy, when problem solving ways to remedy logistical issues with administration and faculty at Dogwood Elementary. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Dawn Moore | being an instrumental leader within our building and contributing greatly to the success of our school-wide positive behavior supports. Each week you create classroom lessons/discussion for use during Monday morning class minutes. The lessons address areas of focus as determined by our PBS behavior data as well as integrating the Habits of Happy Kids from Leader in Me. You go above and beyond in promoting reading with students and celebrate student accomplishment in a myriad of ways. You have worked diligently to create pre- and post- benchmark assessments to measure student learning outcomes. In this effort you have taken a leadership role in figuring out student growth measures in non-tested content. |
| Hawthorn Elementary | Whitney Carnahan | your humor and quick wit ensuring a happy, laughter filled work environment. While you are fun-loving you are also an expert in causing students to engage in critical and analytical thinking. Most of the time the students do not recognize at what depth they are reasoning when talking about and describing in great detail works of art. The learning conversations of students are absolutely amazing. You have worked diligently to create pre- and post- benchmark assessments to measure student learning outcomes. In this effort you have taken a leadership role in figuring out student growth measures in non-tested content. |
| Oak Ridge Intermediate | Geana Holland | being an outstanding educator! You go above and beyond to ensure your students are learning. You work countless hours preparing lessons and materials to ensure you give your students the very best. When entering your classroom it is apparent you have high expectations for students treating each other with respect. The community in your classroom is always positive. This includes student to student and teacher to student relationships. We are lucky to have such a dedicated teacher at Oak Ridge! |
| Middle School | Par Pitts | being instrumental in building a cohesive collaborative team in seventh grade history. You have worked with colleagues to build Literacy modules (LDC) in seventh grade history, which use problem-based learning experiences and innovative technology strategies in their lessons. You are able to think "out of the box" and create new exciting lessons that involve all students as active participants. You are also Head of your Department, and a member of the Building Leadership Team. You are the facilitator of the Government ACI (Area of Career Interest) which has developed Dodge Ball Tournaments to raise money for activities. Your ACI will also plan the election process for our new Student Council. After hours, you coach Varsity Football. Your positive, "We Can Do It" attitude is appreciated. You are an asset to the Middle School. |

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| High School | Stephanie Middleton | recently presenting a "Learnerator" session for CHS faculty. Learnerator is a program designed to provide assessment support for AP courses as well as ACT. You did a great job presenting this information to faculty and you are a wonderful addition to Camdenton High School! |
| LCTC | Lynn Cramer | your dedication to education and continuous school improvement. You participated in several trainings and in-services this summer related to the District's work with HSTW and TCTW. You officially were not on contract, yet did not hesitate to be a part of something for the greater good for our District and LCTC. Your commitment to students and your attitude toward school improvement make you the ideal educator for Excellence in Education! |
| Hurricane Deck Elementary | Rebecca Plumley | demonstrating the type of dedication and flexibility that is imperative in today's world of education. You are always striving to meet the needs of ALL kids and modeling good leadership for our students. We are very lucky to have you at Hurricane Deck Elementary. |