

We Build Futures Award April, 2018





Paula Farr

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In your nomination, the following were highlighted:

- You, as an ELA teacher and reading specialist, along with Sharon Marte, ELA chairperson and teacher, are a dynamic pair;
- Together you work to foster a love of reading at Poquessing Middle School and lead the professional development of teachers in the area of English Language Arts;
- You co-facilitate the Poquessing's Book Chat, which continues to meet throughout the summer;
- Both you and Mrs. Marte provide leadership across all content areas;
- You have both led professional development sessions for your colleagues on the use of PDE's SAS, Performance Plus, PVASS, and Text Dependent Analysis, while continually providing opportunities for colleagues to build a repertoire of best practice ELA strategies; and
- Both you and Mrs. Marte continue to ignite a love of reading and writing among many of your pupils in afterschool sessions.

In so many ways, you have helped advance our belief that excellence in education requires support, sacrifice, and involvement from the total community.

You are an asset to the Poquessing Middle School and the district as a whole.