



We Build Futures Award

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Joann Holland

*Principal
Poquessing Middle School*

In your nomination, the following were highlighted:

- You have successfully led and continue to lead the work of the recently adopted Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program – the first middle school in the district to be fully engaged with this new initiative;
- You made important connections between our existing focus on Text Dependent Analysis and the newly introduced AVID instructional strategies;
- You exercised instructional leadership through your planned, school-wide professional development for your faculty that supports this new initiative;
- You continue to expand the efforts to move the AVID experience through all grade levels and recognize the multi-year effort that is ahead of the school and district to ensure effective adoption;
- You helped make the AVID effort visible in the hallways and classroom; and
- You have enrolled Poquessing in another district initiative for the 2018-19 school year that will add to the school's focus on quality instruction – Instructional Rounds.

All of the above are examples of ways that you show you care. Your work supports our district belief that our children are our future, that a quality education is a right and that achievement is realized through challenge.

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