

We Build Futures Award April, 2018





Jennifer Gross

Title 1 teacher Tawanka Elementary School

In your nomination, the following were highlighted:

- You embody our mission statement and work tirelessly to accomplish the school language arts goals;
- You put your heart into your job but, more importantly, into helping each child;
- You not only teach children to read but you also care, love, and support them;
- You provide professional development to teachers and instructional assistants;
- You manage data and discuss with teachers and instructional assistants to recommend the best strategies and resources to help them help their students;
- You manage the implementation of the federal Title I program at Tawanka;
- You make a personal connection with families, and they know you know their children and will do what it takes to help each child succeed;
- You complete all of this with a smile on your face; and
- Tawanka students, families, and staff are extremely fortunate to have such an amazing staff member.

In so many ways, you have helped advance our beliefs that children learn in different ways and at different rates, that achievement is realized through challenge, and that valuing diversity strengthens our society.

You are an asset to the Tawanka Elementary School and the district as a whole