



We Build Futures Award

April, 2019



Grant Passman

*School Counselor
Poquessing Middle School*

In your nomination, the following were highlighted:

- You recognize that providing social and emotional supports for students occurs both in and out of the counseling office;
- You are a member of the Student Assistance Team, assisting families and students in need of support services both in and out of school;
- You help teachers and students develop mindfulness skills to identify, self-soothe, self-regulate their emotions, and make better decisions both in class and in the larger context of their life;
- You coached Poquessing's wrestling team where your priority is developing lifelong skills through the importance of teambuilding;
- You have taught your wrestlers the importance of having confidence in oneself no matter the outcome;
- You have achieved two undefeated wrestling seasons and have celebrated by permitting your wrestlers, one by one, to shave your head; and
- You often advocate to your students, those in the office, hallway or on the mats that "it's a great day to be alive."

The above are ways that show you care about your work and our students. Your work supports our District Beliefs that achievement is realized through challenge; that laughter, joy, and hope are essential for a quality life; and that excellence in education requires support, sacrifice, and involvement from the total community.

You are an asset to Poquessing Middle School and Neshaminy School District as a whole.