

We Build Futures Award

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In your nomination, the following were noted:

- You support staff development by leading various sessions for your colleagues -- Text Dependent Analysis and Close Reading; Notice and Note Signposts; and as a Neshaminy Ignites presenter on "Igniting a Passion for Reading," "Components of a Mini-Lesson," and take-aways from your training from NerdCamp NJ;
- You provide resources for the teachers and share best teaching practices and articles at ELA department meetings;
- You have organized many special events that extend learning opportunities -- a presentation with a Holocaust survivor, an author visit, and a teacher book club during the summer;
- You are a contributing member of the Student Assistance Program (SAP) team;
- You helped to implement concepts of 180 Days by Penny Kittle and Kelly Gallagher in the ELA department;
- You helped support the district AVID initiative by conducting a workshop on WICOR Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading; and
- You provide both small group and push-in instruction to support struggling readers.

The above are ways that you show you care about your work and our students. Your work supports our District Beliefs that excellence in education requires support, sacrifice, and involvement from the total community.