



We Build Futures Award

December, 2018



Dawn Kelly

*Principal
Carl Sandburg Middle School*

In your nomination, the following were highlighted:

- You have an approachable, administrative presence and provided purposeful direction for staff, students and the school community overall;
- You bring your knowledge of needs and concerns of your school's children to the attention of adults at Sandburg who then work to provide a safe learning environment.
- You are a leader of tolerance and acceptance within the school community, embracing the philosophy of Sandburg's school-wide positive behavior program -- that all children and adults can succeed in a safe environment;
- You provided an important workshop on diversity, acceptance and tolerance within the workplace for your staff that was received with praise and provided a backboard for continual conversations for staff members;
- You make it a point to know the students, staff and parents who make up the Sandburg community; and
- You keep a critical eye and provide important leadership on instructional matters that enhance the learning experience for all students.

The above are ways that you show you care about your work and our students. Your work supports our District beliefs that valuing diversity strengthens our society, that people have a responsibility to themselves and others, and that all people have a right to a safe and healthy learning environment.