



We Build Futures Award

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Dot Laborde

Bus Driver

Transportation Department

. In your nomination, the following qualities that you bring to the job each day were highlighted:

- With skill and patience, you manage to juggle driving such a large vehicle and making sure the children are following the expectations set.
- With ease and grace, you handle the responsibility of driving the bus while keeping 60 +/- children safe, which is no easy task.
- With warmth and humanity, you drive the bus as if you are driving your own children or grandchildren.
- With care, you greet each student with a smile and a hello -- it seems as if you know the names of every student on your run.
- With an eye toward each student's success, you provide pep talks or offer encouraging words for those a little anxious about facing the school day.
- With sincere interest, you ask as the end of the day, "How was your day?" or "Did you work hard today?"
- With thanks and appreciation, parents will often call or email the school to commend your professionalism and your efforts to ensure strong communication with the home; and
- With a regular display of positive energy and an upbeat personality, you help the students begin and end their day on a happy note.

All of the above are examples of ways that you show you care about your work and our students. Your work supports our district belief that excellence in education requires support, sacrifice, and involvement from the total community.