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*District Awards*  
**CELEBRATION**  
*April 18, 2017*

## District Awards Celebration

### Program

#### Mistress of Ceremonies

Jayne Willard, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

#### Welcome

Terry Fielden, President, Board of Education

#### Proud to Be 203 Award

Dan Bridges, Superintendent of Schools

#### Rebecca Smith-Andoh Memorial Award

Christine Igoe, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services

Cheryl Jordan, Daughter of Rebecca Smith-Andoh

#### Naperville Education Foundation

Alissa Johnson Tripas, Chair, NEF Board of Trustees

#### Arlo Schilling First Year Teacher Award

Alissa Johnson Tripas, NEF Chair

Jim Godo, Assistant Vice President for External Affairs,  
North Central College

#### Keynote Speaker

*District 203 Teacher of the Year 2016*

Ed Casey, Social Science, Lincoln Jr. High School

#### Those Who Excel 2016-17 Nominees

Classroom Teacher— Ed Casey

Community Volunteer— Kim Bransky

Educational Service Personnel— Carol Hetman

Outstanding Early Career Educator— Maribel Guerrero

School Administrator/Principal— Maura Anderson

Student Support Personnel— Stephen Meehan

Team—Chuck Freundt and Nancy Voise

#### Those Who Excel District 203 All Star Team

Dan Bridges, Superintendent of Schools

#### Closing Remarks

## District Awards Celebration

### School Spirit

Share your school spirit and celebrate on Twitter using  
**#WeAre203** and **#D203awards** during tonight's event!



### OUR BELIEFS

Naperville Community Unit School District 203 believes  
an exemplary school district...

Values the dignity and uniqueness of each individual

Promotes responsible citizenship

Is the result of a collective partnership of students,  
staff, parents and community

### OUR VISION

Building a Passion for Lifelong Learning

### OUR MISSION

Our mission is to educate students to be self-directed learners,  
collaborative workers, complex thinkers, quality producers and  
community contributors.

## Team Nominees (continued)

### Lincoln Junior High School Sixth Grade SBR Pilot Team

*Martin Bell, Ross Berkley, Tamara Burke, Jenna Cole, Brent Davis, Vickie Donnelly, Lauren Ewanic, Brad Frendeway, Kate Geraghty, Lisa Gualano, Jay Havenaar, Beth Hermann, Rob Hunt, Leslie Keuer, Alyssa Kupsco, Kimberly Lukawski, Krissy Many, April Miller, Jenny Okarma, Anne Ossey, Jay Pape, Kirsten Pjesky, Todd Ramsbottom, Tracy Richards, Mark Roucka, Rebecca Rudy, Anthony Silvestri, Nadine Stanley*

### Madison Junior High School Sixth Grade Math PLC

*Kristin Richardson, Katie Sheehan*

### Meadow Glens Elementary Custodial Team

*Niko Bajlozi, Donald Massingill, Joseph Mihalik, Zachary Ward*

### Mill Street Elementary Second Grade Team

*Lisa Connell, Michael Fries, Maribel Guerrero, Terry Kinn*

### Naper Elementary Champions After-school Care Program

*Irene Villa, Tyritha Williams*

### Naperville North High School Psychologists

*Alicia Ash, Abby Henning*

### Prairie Elementary LAMPE

*Noel Anderson, Susanne Atkins, Griffin Gatenby, Ann Schinske, Mimi Sprague*

### Ranch View Elementary Office/ Secretarial Staff

*Connie Baum, Claudia Hayes, Diane Scroggs, Annette White*

### River Woods Elementary Home & School Executive Board

*Amanda Barrett, Stefannie Leakeas, Melanie Manning, Jennifer Ullian*

### Scott Elementary Special Education Assistant Team

*Margot Bedigian, Jing Chang, Sheri Krug, Sandra Pawlisz, Susan Pettoruto, Gale Schuster, Teri Stueland*

### Steeple Run Elementary LBS Team

*Jamie Biskup, Megan Good, Megan McNeily, Katie Mis, Michelle Reeves*

### Washington Junior High School Strategic Team

*Laura Atseff, Maria DiNovo, Kerry Niederman*

## Rebecca Smith-Andoh Memorial Award

### Debbie Baker

*Nurse  
Scott Elementary*

### Ebony Baker

*School Counselor  
Naperville North High School*

### Nicole Donahue

*Social Worker  
Steeple Run Elementary*

### Kristin Hill

*Social Worker  
Mill Street Elementary*

### Linda Smith

*Social Worker  
Meadow Glens Elementary*

## Arlo Schilling First Year Teacher Award

### Macey Berta

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Ellsworth Elementary*

### Alexandra Briggs

*Third Grade Teacher  
Naper Elementary*

### Maddie Collins

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Mill Street Elementary*

### Safa Dada

*Fourth Grade Teacher  
Scott Elementary*

### Megan Good

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Steeple Run Elementary*

### Alexandra Kelly

*Second Grade Teacher  
Prairie Elementary*

### Bridget Kelly

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Meadow Glens Elementary*

### Kristen Ludlam

*Second Grade Teacher  
Elmwood Elementary*

### Robert Lugiai

*Social Science  
Naperville Central High School*

### Jessica Nylan

*Fifth Grade Teacher  
Maplebrook Elementary*

### Sara Smith

*Family and Consumer Science  
Naperville North High School*

## District 203 Those Who Excel Nominees

### Classroom Teacher Nominees

**Tisha Allison**

Third Grade Teacher  
Ellsworth Elementary

**Maggie Belpedio**

Early Childhood  
Ann Reid Early Childhood Center

**Chris Benyo**

Physical Education  
Meadow Glens Elementary

**Ryan Crawford**

Learning Behavior Specialist  
Connections Transitional

**Christine Day**

Fifth Grade Teacher  
Scott Elementary

**Brian Glasby**

General Science  
Lincoln Jr. High School

**Rosemarie Haring**

Third Grade Teacher  
Kingsley Elementary

**Brain Laughlin**

Fifth Grade Teacher  
Steeple Run Elementary

**Tamra McNamara**

Language Arts  
Jefferson Jr. High School

**Kerry Niederman**

Reading Specialist  
Washington Jr. High School

**Reyna Nungaray**

First Grade Teacher  
Elmwood Elementary

**Diane Pancoast**

Third Grade Teacher  
Naper Elementary

**Tracy Pisarski**

Mathematics  
Kennedy Jr. High School

**Dena Porter**

Fifth Grade Teacher  
Ranch View Elementary School

**Victoria Ranallo**

Fourth Grade Teacher  
Maplebrook Elementary

**Julia Sawa**

Second Grade Teacher  
Highlands Elementary

**Ann Schinske**

Vocal Music  
Prairie Elementary

**Adam Schmitt**

Learning Support Coach  
Madison Jr. High School

**Sarah Tibbott**

English Language Learners  
Beebe Elementary

**Julie Trabaris**

Project IDEA/Honors Math  
Mill Street Elementary

**Steve Wiesbrook**

Biology  
Naperville Central High School

## Student Support Personnel (Certified) Nominees (continued)

**Patti Martin**

Social Worker  
Prairie Elementary

**Patricia Pratapas**

School Nurse  
Meadow Glens & River Woods  
Elementary

**Jessica Pysarenko**

Permanent Substitute  
Meadow Glens Elementary

**Mark Skarr**

Learning Commons Director  
Naperville North High School

**Kimberly Stemm**

Social Worker  
Kingsley Elementary

**Amy Todd**

English Language Learner Teacher  
Naper Elementary

### Team Nominees

**Administration Center Instructional Resource Center Team**

Marypat Marks, Gail Schremp

**Connections Transitional Instructional Aide/Assistants**

Mike Adams, Mike Beese, Kathy Blumenthal, Chad Coleman, Anne Galkin, Adam Hague, Molly Klasen, Dawn Laubsted, Marlena McAleer, Deb McCants, Matt Medick, Laura Novak, Lisa Obert, Joe Scaccia, Cassie Schafer, Amber Stevenson, Anna Triplett

**Elmwood Elementary Dual Language Team**

Stephanie Arnold, Adriana Bitner, Bridget Boynton, Elizabeth Correa, Paola Cruz, Marlene Espinoza, Leslie Figueroa, Edith Nava, Colleen Olenek, Beatriz Ramos, Damaris Yusuf

**Jefferson Junior High School SUCCESS Leaders**

Kristin Fitzgerald, Kim Henderson

**Kennedy Junior High School Special Education Assistants**

Niru Aery, Marilyn Brown, Patricia Christensen, Leslie Clark, Dan Dierdorff, Taheesh Ellis, Carolyn Jacobs, Patricia Jarrell, Kara Jones, Aires Lawlor, Samira Lohr, Elsie McConnell, Karen Naso, Amrita Sahay, Caitlin Swinford, Anne Wehrli, Mary Zelasko

**Kingsley Elementary Computer Support Associates**

Alex Albright, Cindy Nabicht



## School Administrator/Principal Nominees

### Julie Beehler

Principal  
Naper Elementary

### Sarah Cain

Assistant Principal  
Prairie Elementary

### Cheryl DeGan

Principal  
Ellsworth Elementary

### Jennifer Donatelli

Director of Curriculum and  
Instruction  
Administration Center

### Elizabeth Kanne

Assistant Principal  
Meadow Glens Elementary

### Matt Langes

Assistant Principal  
Lincoln Jr. High School

### Karen Lemanski

Director of Student Services  
Naperville Central High School

### Mick Micensky

Principal  
Scott Elementary

### Robyn Rippel

Principal  
Mill Street Elementary

### Suzanne Salness

Principal  
Ranch View Elementary

### Nancy Van Ness

Assistant Principal  
Steeple Run Elementary

## Student Support Personnel (Certified) Nominees

### Laurel Anderson

Guidance Counselor  
Lincoln Jr. High School

### Kathy Dejmek

Speech/Language Therapist  
Ann Reid Early Childhood Center

### Naseem Ghouse

Learning Support Coach  
Scott Elementary

### Shannon Harper

Speech/Language Therapist  
Kennedy Jr. High School

### Vicki Hegrans

Learning Behavior Specialist  
Elmwood Elementary

### Rebecca Horwath

Speech/Language Therapist  
Mill Street Elementary

### Stephanie Jurkiw

Social Worker  
Highlands Elementary

### Kim Kopec

Guidance Counselor  
Naperville Central High School

### Molly Littman

Permanent Substitute  
Ranch View Elementary

### Laura Loehmann

Social Worker  
Maplebrook Elementary

## Community/School Board Nominees

### Mary Adams

Parent Volunteer  
Naperville Central High School

### Brian Bierman

Parent Volunteer  
Ann Reid Early Childhood Center

### Maria Chambers

Parent/Home & School  
Ellsworth Elementary

### Georgia Harle

Parent Volunteer  
Scott Elementary

### Kirsten Haskell

Parent/Home & School  
Ranch View Elementary

### Kandice Henning

Alive Center Director  
Naperville North High School

### Kathy Henricks

HURRAH Volunteer  
River Woods Elementary

### Nicole Kreuzer

Parent/Home & School  
Naper Elementary

### Gina Maras

Parent/SFCP  
Highlands Elementary

### Jeanne Mason

Parent/Home & School  
Madison Jr. High School

### Traci Pahl

Parent/Home & School  
Kennedy Jr. High School

### Brian Park

Yearbook Volunteer  
Kingsley Elementary

### Megan Reber

Parent/SFCP  
Elmwood Elementary

### Barbara Sinclair

HURRAH Volunteer  
Mill Street Elementary

### Erin Small

Parent/SFCP  
Elmwood Elementary

### Wayne Strom

Musical Volunteer  
Meadow Glens Elementary

### John Toms

Parent/Home & School  
Prairie Elementary

### Megan Warty

Parent/SFCP  
Elmwood Elementary

**Educational Support Personnel (Non-Certified) Nominees**

**Randy Bray**

*Bus Driver  
Kennedy Jr. High School*

**Catherine Bretag**

*Instructional Aide  
Kingsley Elementary*

**Liza Carrion**

*Instructional Aide  
Steeple Run Elementary*

**Deepa Chittal**

*Instructional Aide  
Ann Reid Early Childhood Center*

**Lois Curran**

*Health Technician  
Naperville North High School*

**Melissa Durkin**

*Instructional Aide  
Madison Jr. High School*

**Janet Gebner**

*Instructional Aide  
Scott Elementary*

**Virginia Jamnicki**

*Instructional Aide  
Ranch View Elementary*

**Barb Kling**

*Instructional Aide  
Beebe Elementary*

**Shari Landeweer**

*Instructional Aide  
Mill Street Elementary*

**Maylene Landi**

*Health Technician  
Highlands Elementary*

**Sophia Lewis**

*Applications Manager  
Administration Center*

**Joyce Lipski**

*Instructional Aide  
Naper Elementary*

**Katie Meyers**

*Instructional Aide  
Maplebrook Elementary*

**Frank Murphy**

*Custodian  
Elmwood Elementary*

**Elizabeth Nassos**

*Instructional Aide  
River Woods Elementary*

**Matt Porter**

*Custodian  
Connections Transitional*

**Nancy Rapp**

*Instructional Aide  
Washington Jr. High School*

**Staci Ridgway**

*Instructional Aide  
Naperville Central High School*

**Joan Smith**

*Instructional Aide  
Prairie Elementary*

**Corinne Urbas**

*Instructional Aide  
Meadow Glens Elementary*

**Outstanding Early Career Educator Nominees**

**Melissa Beckman**

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Connections Transitional*

**Ann Bennington**

*Fifth Grade Teacher  
Kingsley Elementary*

**Amanda Daukus**

*Language Arts/Science  
Madison Jr. High School*

**Devon Eich**

*Math Specialist  
Steeple Run Elementary*

**Shelby Getzin**

*Fourth Grade Teacher  
Elmwood Elementary*

**Kelsey Gierzynski**

*First Grade Teacher  
Naper Elementary*

**Julia James**

*Math/Social Science  
Washington Jr. High School*

**David Johnson**

*Physics/Chemistry  
Naperville Central High School*

**Alexis Justice**

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Beebe Elementary*

**Dana Klen**

*Family & Consumer Science  
Naperville North High School*

**Lauren Ralph**

*Learning Behavior Specialist  
Maplebrook Elementary*

**Michael Schweinberg**

*Fourth Grade Dual Language-  
Teacher  
Mill Street Elementary*

**Samantha Sheley**

*First Grade Teacher  
River Woods Elementary*

**Alice Shin**

*Language Arts/Social Science  
Kennedy Jr. High School*

**Kayla Wagner**

*Physical Education Teacher  
Scott Elementary*

**Deb Whang**

*Fourth Grade Teacher  
Highlands Elementary*