

2024

Those Who Excel & Teacher of the Year

Award Categories



Illinois Teacher of the Year Cohort

The 15 Regional and Specialized Teachers of the Year are all part of the Illinois Teachers of the Year Cohort. Among this cohort, those with five or more years of teaching experience qualify as finalists for the Illinois State Teacher of the Year, announced later in the spring.

Regional Teachers of the Year

- Cook County Regional Teachers of the Year (Minimum of 3) • East Central Regional Teacher of the Year • Far North Suburbs Regional Teacher of the Year
- Northwest Regional Teacher of the Year • Far South Suburbs Regional Teacher of the Year • Southern Regional Teacher of the Year
- West Central Regional Teacher of the Year • Far West Suburbs Regional Teacher of the Year

Specialized Teachers of the Year

- Bilingual Teacher of the Year • Special Education Teacher of the Year • Early Childhood Teacher of the Year • Outstanding Early Career Educator

Those Who Excel Awards

Awards are presented in seven categories: classroom teachers, early career educators (teachers 1-4 years), school administrators, student support personnel, educational service personnel, community volunteers, and teams.

1. Award of Excellence

Educators presented with the Award of Excellence have greatly improved their school community by advocating for positive change and have shared opportunities for improvement with colleagues. These educators have become an integral member of their departments and larger school culture.

2. Award of Meritorious Service

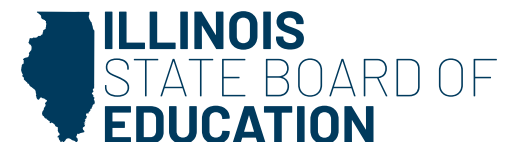
Educators presented with the Award Meritorious Service have shaped their school community for the better. These educators frequently employ their talents and passions, but also strive to be of service in unfamiliar domains.

3. Award of Special Recognition

Educators presented with the Award of Special Recognition have connected with their school community and made a positive impact.

For more information on awards types and the application process, see the [overview document](#).

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Those Who Excel & Teacher of the Year Awardees



Award	Professional Category	Awardee Name	School Community	County
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Paige Cummins	Quincy SD 172	Adams
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Lexi Brumbaugh	Quincy SD 172	Adams
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Susan Hall	Mulberry Grove CUSD 1	Bond
Award of Excellence	Early Career Educator	Emma Taylor	Beardstown CUSD 15	Cass
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Bailey Connor	Champaign CUSD 4	Champaign
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Janet Skaj	Champaign CUSD 4	Champaign
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kristine Scheu	Champaign School District 4	Champaign
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Taylor Cothorn	Pana Community School District 8	Christian
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Christy Pentzien	Edinburg CUSD 4	Christian
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Tom Siegler	Bartelso SD 57	Clinton
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Colleen Kunz	Bartelso SD 57	Clinton
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Evelyn Schrand	Breese Elementary District 12	Clinton
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Dr. J.R. Entsminger II	Burbank SD 111	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Dr. Gina Isabelli	Flossmoor SD 161	Cook
Award of Excellence	Administrator	Danita Fitch	Glenbrook HSD 225	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Melody Becker	J. Sterling Morton HSD 201	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Dr. Nathan S. Schilling	Lansing School District 158	Cook

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Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Brian Packowitz	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Michael Bender	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Caroline Benjamin	Niles Twp HSD 219	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Brett Bildstein	Niles Twp HSD 219	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Dorita McCabe	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Excellence	Administrator	Christine Zelaya	Oak Park ESD 97	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Kristin Beeler	Orland School District 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Colleen Joyce	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Laurie Patterson	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Michelle LaCamera	Palatine CCSD 15	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Matt Warren	Palatine CCSD 15	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Dr. Joel T. Martin	Park Ridge - Niles School District 64	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Erin Mason	Proviso Twp HSD 209	Cook
Award of Excellence	Administrator	Nell Haack	Schaumburg CCSD 54	Cook
Award of Excellence	Administrator	Sandra Y. Luna	West Northfield SD 31	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	Tracy Sukalo	Consolidated High School District 230	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	Robert Bady	Evanston Twp HSD 202	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Community Volunteer	Yolanda Shields	Lansing SD 158	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Community Volunteer	Dr. Theresa Collins	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Community Volunteer	Lauren Potokar	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Excellence	Community Volunteer	Demelza Steinfels	Park Ridge CCSD 64	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	Joseph Smolenski	Schaumburg CCSD 54	Cook
Early Childhood Teacher of the Year		Michelle Zurita-Sharpe	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Jacquelyn Regnier	Elmwood Park CUSD 401	Cook
Outstanding Early Career Educator		Bryn Zingrebe	Evergreen Park CHSD 231	Cook

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Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Landon Hartfield	Glenview CCSD 34	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Anais Villalpando	Lansing SD 158	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Natalie Hohman	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Deanna Kuzmanic	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Nikki Thanas	Morton Grove SD 70	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Karolina H. Budz	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Lindsey Kiska	Oak Park ESD 97	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Missy Burris	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Cristina Santana	Palatine CCSD 15	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Machaela Leno	Township HSD 211	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jesus Paniagua	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Danielle Palomares	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jason Jackson	Evanston Township High School District 202	Cook
Award of Excellence	Educational Service Personnel	Arlette Antunez	CCSD 59	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jonathan Duarte	J. Sterling Morton HSD 201	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Michael Winters	Lansing SD 158	Cook
Award of Excellence	Educational Service Personnel	Patrick Sanchez	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jan Tedeschi	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jolanta Luberda	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Kathy Cavalier	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Rebecca Lawson	Palatine CCSD 15	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Janet Petrielli	Park Ridge CCSD 64	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Maribeth Aimers	Park Ridge CCSD 64	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Jackie Pasillas	River Trails SD 26	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Joe Havel	Schaumburg CCSD 54	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Donna Adcock	Township HSD 211	Cook
Award of Excellence	Educational Service Personnel	Rosa DiMarco	Township HSD 214	Cook

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Award of Excellence	Student Support Personnel	Mallory Lawler	Bellwood School District 88	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Ali Rebecca Pedersen	CCSD 168	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Michelle Wheeler	Evanston Twp HSD 202	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Gayle Dickerson	Flossmoor SD 161	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Shannon Hartinger	Glenview CCSD 34	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Melissa Luetkehans	LaGrange Highlands SD 106	Cook
Award of Excellence	Student Support Personnel	Yahaira Diaz	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Stefanie Bell	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Hamed Askar	Oak Lawn CHSD 229	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Jenna Cragg	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Kendra Buividas	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Renee Gale	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Michelle Roth	Schaumburg CCSD 54	Cook
Award of Excellence	Student Support Personnel	Nate Elzinga	Township HSD 211	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Andrea Mugler	Township HSD 214	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Jeremy Holtmeier	Wheeling CCSD 21	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Maribeth Fagan	Willow Springs SD 108	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Erica Monegain	Acero PFC Omar E. Torres Elementary Charter School	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Suzanne Walzer	Saint Mary School Buffalo Grove	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Kelly Crawford	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Donald Polo	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Taylor Showalter	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Phylcia Spears	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Colleen Wedderburn	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Stephanie Thomas	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Natalie Kenny	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Erica Swanson	Argo CHSD 217	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Janis Michael	Avoca SD 37	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Heather Lara	Avoca SD 37	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Theresa Kelsey	Bremen CHSD 228	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Eunhae Grace Jeong	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Cook County Co-Regional Teacher of the Year		Mashanda Scott	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Mellody Cowling	LEARN Charter School South Chicago Campus	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Michelle Nero	CCSD 59	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Carrie Majchrowicz	Consolidated HSD 230	Cook
Cook County Co-Regional Teacher of the Year		Berenice Diaz	East Maine SD 63	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Marcia Bernas	Elmwood Park CUSD 401	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kathleen Morrison-Garcia	Elmwood Park CUSD 401	Cook
Cook County Co-Regional Teacher of the Year		Amy Moore	Evanston Twp HSD 202	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Lesa Waishwell	Flossmoor SD 161	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Janice Sit	Glenbrook HSD 225	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Mildred Cortes	Glenview CCSD 34	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Scott Katzberger	J. Sterling Morton HSD 201	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	David Waldron	J. Sterling Morton HSD 201	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kathleen Falout	LaGrange Highlands SD 106	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Barbara Maricich	Lansing SD 158	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Elizabeth Ball	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Melinda Optie	Mannheim SD 83	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Danielle Faubert	Morton Grove SD 70	Cook
Cook County Co-Regional Teacher of the Year		Dillin Randolph	Niles Twp HSD 219	Cook

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Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Gloria Crawley-Scislowicz	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	David Downing	Northbrook SD 28	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Nicole Petschenko	Oak Lawn-Hometown SD 123	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Arnetta Thompson	Oak Park ESD 97	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jessica Baylian	Oak Park ESD 97	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	DiFrancesca Vermillion	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Helen Wallis	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Kristina Conway	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Annette Simons	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Christine Gray	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Joanne Kapsaskis	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Gabrielle Kaszuba	Palatine CCSD 15	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Evan Katsenis	Palos Heights SD 128	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Stephanie O'Connor	Prospect Heights SD 23	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dr. Tristan Kumor	Ridgewood CHSD 234	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Sarah Machaj	Ridgewood CHSD 234	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Meghan Thompson	River Trails SD 26	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Tracy Frew	River Trails SD 26	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Ayako Abe	Schaumburg CCSD 54	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Adrienne Stewart	Township HSD 211	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Samantha Zabran	Township HSD 214	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Louis Wool	Township HSD 214	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Charger Team Space Intervention Team	Consolidated HSD 230	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	The Elm Administrative Team	Elmwood Park CUSD 401	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	SD 161 Instructional Coaching Team	Flossmoor SD 161	Cook

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Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Glenview 34 Multilingual Leadership Coaching and Outreach team	Glenview CCSD 34	Cook
Award of Excellence	Team	Instructional Coaching and Biliteracy Coaching Team	J. Sterling Morton HSD 201	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Hawk PRIDE	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Link Crew	Maine Township HSD 207	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Sorrick Elementary Reading Specialists	North Palos SD 117	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Jihan Zughayyer & Noel Cary-Enriquez	Orland SD 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Primary AIME	Palatine CCSD 15	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Campanelli Child Study Team	Schaumburg CCSD 54	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Conant Pride	Township HSD 211	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	AIM (Academic Interventions in Mathematics)	Township HSD 214	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Educational Life Skills Program Teachers	Wheeling CCSD 21	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Kristen Mitchell	Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Melissa Ferriter, MS ATR	Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Scott Higgins	City of Chicago SD 299	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	April Senase	Proviso Township High School District 209	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Tyra Banks	Oak Park District 97 Schools	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Patrick Glazik	J. Sterling Morton HSD 201	Cook
Award of Excellence	Student Support Personnel	Matthew Baud	Niles Township District for Special Education 807	Cook

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Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Diane DeSoto	Thornton Fractional Township High School District 215	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Rita Thompson	High School District 214	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Carita Hall	Orland School District 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jennifer Bajer	Orland School District 135	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Cheryl Knight	Orland School District 135	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Rebecca Navez	Park Ridge-Niles School District 64	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kelly L. Van Horn	Park Ridge-Niles School District 64	Cook
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Jennifer Ramos	Thornton Fractional Township High School District 215	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Alicia Wiechert	Wilmette Public Schools District 39	Cook
Special Education Teacher of the Year		Jacqueline San Diego	Intrinsic Schools	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jill VanderHye	Old St. Mary's School	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Geralyn Magrady	Fenwick High School	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Rachel Castillo	Pope John Paul II Catholic School	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Consolidated High School District 230 Board of Education	Consolidated High School District 230	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Lemont Time Steering Committee	Lemont High School District 210	Cook
Award of Special Recognition	Team	The Gleason Family	St. Luke School	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Carlee Shaw	Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education (SWCCCASE)	Cook
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Eighth Grade ELA Fire Prevention Team	Robinson CUSD 2	Crawford
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Jim Peck	Clinton CUSD 15	Dewitt

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Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Jessica Patrick	Clinton CUSD 15	Dewitt
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jennifer Hagemann	Clinton CUSD 15	Dewitt
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Haley Bevans	Clinton CUSD 15	Dewitt
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Melissa Zaniewski	Butler SD 53	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Kimberly Liles	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Jacquelyn Discipio	Elmhurst SD 205	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Dr. Kathleen Robinson	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Megan Biehl	Woodridge SD 68	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Stephanie Sorn	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Dawn Dispensa	CUSD 201	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Colleen Kulaga	CUSD 201	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	LaQue Pool	CUSD 201	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Mary Lynch	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Mariola Szczotka	Roselle School District 12	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Jennifer Gabel	Roselle School District 12	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Karen Roach	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Emily Crema	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Gloria E. Barrera	CHSD 99	Dupage
Award of Excellence	Student Support Personnel	VaLarie Humphrey	DuPage HSD 88	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Jennifer A. Steinhebel	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Araceli Orozco	West Chicago ESD 33	Dupage
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Kelly Pelak	Community Consolidated School District 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	George Andrikokus	Community Consolidated School District 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Keith Dvorkin	Community School District 99	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Terry Weston	Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205	Dupage

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Amanda Leyden	Madison Elementary School	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Juvaria Mohiuddin	ICN Noor Academy	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Naila Siddiqui	ICN Noor Academy	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Amy Burrows	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Tiffany Marconi	CUSD 200	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Tracy E. Billie	CUSD 201	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	John Baldwin	CUSD 201	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dina Sbarra	Glen Ellyn SD 41	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Suzana Smith	Glen Ellyn SD 41	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jennifer Pestka	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dana Bednar	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Barbara Matt	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Heather Serrano	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Elizabeth Bellinger	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Eric Morong	Hinsdale CCSD 181	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Maria Cotter	Hinsdale Twp HSD 86	Dupage
Far West Suburbs Teacher of the Year		Dr. Rachael Mahmood	Indian Prairie CUSD 204	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Matt Walsh	Indian Prairie CUSD 204	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Damary Cortes	Naperville CUSD 203	Dupage
Award of Excellence	Team	Encore - Elizabeth Ide	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Save 66 Team	Center Cass SD 66	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Briddick and Parsetich Co-Teaching Team	CUSD 201	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Willowbrook High School Flag Football Support Team	DuPage HSD 88	Dupage
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Instructional Coaching Team	Roselle SD 12	Dupage
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Cheri Marten	Effingham CUSD 40	Effingham

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Sarah Wyckoff	Effingham CUSD 40	Effingham
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Evon Fredrickson	Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley CUSD 5	Ford
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Angela Funk	Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley CUSD 5	Ford
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Dr. Marie K. Stover	Morris Elementary School District 54	Grundy
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Rebecca Moran	Dallas City ESD#327	Hancock
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Candace Tschappat	AIWood CUSD 225	Henry
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Sarah Swanson	AIWood CUSD 225	Henry
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Amy Sharpe	Colona SD 190	Henry
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Taylor Hoffman	Giant City CCSD 130	Jackson
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Bryan Lee	Carbondale CHSD 165	Jackson
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Laura Goetting	Trico CUSD 176	Jackson
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Cheryl Korando	Trico CUSD 176	Jackson
Southern Teacher of the Year		Bethany Matthews	Bethel SD 82	Jefferson
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Melanie Fessler	Jersey CUSD 100	Jersey
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Sara Pranger	Jersey CUSD 100	Jersey
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jamie Lumma	Jersey CUSD 100	Jersey
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Heather Rottmann	Vienna HSD 133	Johnson
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Andrew Allen	Aurora East USD 131	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Mary Mangione	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Carol Mertes	Aurora East USD 131	Kane
Award of Excellence	Student Support Personnel	Dr. Marie L. McKee, LCSW	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Jennifer Delgado	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Yusra Sarah Said	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Matt Erbach	SD U-46	Kane

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Beverly Singleton	School District 428 IYC-St. Charles	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Crystal Cepek	Aurora East USD 131	Kane
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Shawn Shotts	Aurora East USD 131	Kane
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Shannon Pennington	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Alicia Choi	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Valerie Albuck	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Gerardo Barrio	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Haleigh Eller	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Erin Gamble	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Kristen Allanson	SD U-46	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Allison Thomas	St. Charles CUSD 303	Kane
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	The Big Blue Buttons	Kane County Juvenile Justice Center	Kane
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Simmons Social Committee	Aurora East USD 131	Kane
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Joey Baud	Momence CUSD 1	Kankakee
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Angela Cooper	St. George CCSD 258	Kankakee
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Noelle Fahey	CUSD 308	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Luke Baughman	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	Kathy Benoit	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Samantha Grzanich	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Ken Ridgeway	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Scott Bedell	CUSD 308	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Cassandra Day	Oswego Community Unit School District 308	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Saul Olivas	Oswego Community Unit School District 308	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Christine Alesia	Oswego Community Unit School District 308	Kendall

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Joseph Kampf	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Elizabeth Schroeder	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Special Recognition	Team	BIONIC - Believe it Or Not I Care	CUSD 308	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Centennial Elementary Special Education Team	Plano CUSD 88	Kendall
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	wesley Anderson	ROWVA CUSD 208	Knox
West Central Teacher of the Year		Mallory Tolley	Knoxville CUSD 202	Knox
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Kassi Mahnke	Ottawa ESD 141	La Salle
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Dr. Melissa Byrne	Barrington CUSD 220	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Dr. Jill Martin	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	Julie Gerrits	CHSD 117	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Kristin Koe	Adlai E. Stevenson HSD 125	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Maddie Lyon	Community High School District 117	Lake
Award of Excellence	Early Career Educator	Yuridia Mancilla	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Lake
Award of Excellence	Educational Service Personnel	Christie Johnson	Fremont School District 79	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Michael Smith	Fremont School District 79	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Deborah Marquardt	Adlai E.Stevenson HSD 125	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Jeanné Aken	Beach Park School District #3	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Jocelyn Stolberg	North Shore School District 112	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Katie Bennett	Adlai E. Stevenson HSD 125	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Lauren Timony	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Daniel Panfil	Lake Forest CHSD 115	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Shelby Thommesen	Waukegan CUSD 60	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Meg Lavery	Community High School District 128	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Susan "Susie" Kullby	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Emily J. Crutchfield	North Shore School District 112	Lake
Far North Suburbs Teacher of the Year		Samuel D. Figueroa	Adlai E. Stevenson HSD 125	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Chris Snyder	CHSD 117	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Tiffany Martinelli	Fremont SD 79	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Brandon White	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Carolyn Konz	Lake Forest CHSD 115	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jessica Gerken	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jennifer Dunn	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Chana Wilczynski	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dr. Kellie A. Kopach	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Mollie McDougall	North Shore SD 112	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Stephanie Just	North Shore SD 112	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Susie Kiefer	Oak Grove SD 68 Green Oaks	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Daniel Kim	Twp HSD 113	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dr. Ashley Whitaker	Zion ESD 6	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Shawn Davis	Zion-Benton Twp HSD 126	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Mary Megan Pavelske	Zion-Benton Twp HSD 126	Lake
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Little Patriots Team	Adlai E. Stevenson HSD 125	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Sequoit Pride, ACHS Booster Club	CHSD 117	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Team	1st Grade Team at Hawthorn Elementary South	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Lake
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Julie Stricklin	Lincoln ESD 27	Logan
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Shonda Ronen	Bunker Hill CUSD 8	Macoupin
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Rachel Davis	Staunton CUSD 6	Macoupin
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Ashley Mullen	Carlinville CUSD 1	Macoupin
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Amy Petrovich	Carlinville CUSD 1	Macoupin

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Chad Easterday	Carlinville CUSD 1	Macoupin
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Laura Kraner	Carlinville CUSD 1	Macoupin
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Heather Close	Mount Olive CUSD 5	Macoupin
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Holly Weller	Staunton CUSD 6	Macoupin
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Melissa Edwards	Edwardsville CUSD 7	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Dorothy Mosby	Madison CUSD 12	Madison
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Kimberly Moore	Madison CUSD 12	Madison
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Beth Luttrell	Triad CUSD 2	Madison
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Sarah Wheat	Alton CUSD 11	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Kris Hagen	Wood River-Hartford ESD 15	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Katie Miller	Collinsville CUSD 10	Madison
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Ashley Whiteford	East Alton SD 13	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Gretchen Hertz	Edwardsville CUSD 7	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Charles Noud	Granite City CUSD 9	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Linda Ames	Granite City CUSD 9	Madison
Award of Special Recognition	Team	C.A. Henning PE Department	Triad CUSD 2	Madison
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Izabelle Schoepke	Henry-Senachwine CUSD 5	Marshall
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Carol Dossett	Midland CUSD 7	Marshall
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kathy Torrance	Bushnell-Prairie City CUSD 170	McDonough
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Leah Pelletier	McHenry Community High School District 156	McHenry
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Renae St. Clair	Huntley Community School District 158	McHenry
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Lauren Teeter	Huntley Community School District 158	McHenry
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Jessica Miller	Huntley Community School District 158	McHenry
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Brittany Chesna	Richmond-Burton CHSD 157	McHenry

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Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Christina Ellis	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Kristina Peifer	Olympia CUSD 16	McLean
Award of Excellence	Community Volunteer	Darrel Dubree	Olympia CUSD 16	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jamie T. Davis	Bloomington SD 87	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Amber Rudge	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Claye Vogelsang	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Katelyn Decker	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Brooke Reatherford	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Velma Runyard	Olympia CUSD 16	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Jolene Baldwin	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Jamie Schlipf	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Terri Peoples	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Carrie Green	The Baby Fold	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jessica Schiek	Bloom Community School	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Susie Vincent	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Eric Stegemann	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jim Rumps	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Taylor Musselman	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dave McMorris	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Brandy Roberts	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Shannon Hedman	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Haley Boswell	Olympia CUSD 16	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Unit 5 Finance Department	McLean County USD 5	McLean
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Transportation Team	Olympia CUSD 16	McLean
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Heidi Klein	Columbia CUSD 4	Monroe
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Kurt Steve	Columbia CUSD 4	Monroe

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Greg Baird	Career Center of Southern Illinois	Monroe
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Lydia McDonald	Nokomis CUSD 22	Montgomery
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Barb Rundle	Byron CUSD 226	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Deana Simpson	Meridian CUSD 223	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	lesley Sheffield	Oregon CUSD 220	Ogle
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Annie Burke	Byron CUSD 226	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jennifer Scheck	Chana Education Center/Rock River	Ogle
Award of Excellence	Educational Service Personnel	Abbey Wheeler	Meridian CUSD 223	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Deborah Sweeney	Meridian CUSD 223	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Jillene Corcoran	Oregon CUSD 220	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Stephanie White	Ogle County Educational Cooperative	Ogle
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Laura Smith	Oregon CUSD 220	Ogle
Northwest Teacher of the Year		Angie McHale	Byron CUSD 226	Ogle
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Ben Groselak	Meridian CUSD 223	Ogle
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Angela Mahoney	Oregon CUSD 220	Ogle
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Kimberly Lumzy	Rochelle CCSD 231	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Tiffany Siebrasse	Rochelle CCSD 231	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Karen E. Anderson	Rochelle CCSD 231	Ogle
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Timothy Hill	Rochelle Twp HSD 212	Ogle
Award of Excellence	Team	Oregon Junior Senior High School Special Education Department	Oregon CUSD 220	Ogle
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Mandy E. Ellis	Dunlap CUSD 323	Peoria
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Devon Hawks	Peoria Public Schools District 150	Peoria

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Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Maegan Skahill	Peoria Public Schools District 150	Peoria
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Carlos Evans	Dunlap CUSD 323	Peoria
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Julie LeMasters	Dunlap CUSD 323	Peoria
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Ryan Lambert	Farmington Central CUSD 265	Peoria
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Megan Nugen	Peoria Public Schools District 150	Peoria
Award of Meritorious Service	Team	Rotary Club of Peoria North	Peoria Public Schools District 150	Peoria
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Stephanie Leinard	Bement CUSD 5	Piatt
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Melissa Hawkins	Meridian CUSD 101	Pulaski
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Darla Cummins	St. Joseph School	Richland
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Rita Jett	Rock Island SD 41	Rock Island
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Luz Hernandez	Moline-Coal Valley CUSD 40	Rock Island
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Angie Curnyn	Moline-Coal Valley CUSD 40	Rock Island
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Mike Mertel	Rock Island SD 41	Rock Island
Award of Excellence	Administrator	Quanshanda Nicholson	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Kimberly Allen	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Excellence	Early Career Educator	Jordyn Rubin	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Tammy Gibson	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Brittney Brown	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Wesley Hollis	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Chea Wyatt	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Adrienne Neville	St. Teresa of Belleville	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Dana Koch	Belleville Twp HSD 201	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	michale ward	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Alicia Hiller	Marissa CUSD 40	Saint Clair
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Paige Sauer	Marissa CUSD 40	Saint Clair

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Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Susan Schaefer	Marissa CUSD 40	Saint Clair
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Michelle Dippel	O'Fallon CCSD 90	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Sasha Courtney	Smithton CCSD 130	Saint Clair
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Ashley Brown	Whiteside SD 115	Saint Clair
Award of Excellence	Team	Officer Elementary Instructional Leadership Team (ILT)	East St. Louis SD 189	Saint Clair
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Angela Clarke	Springfield SD 186	Sangamon
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Marci Jett	Stark County CUSD 100	Stark
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Kaleena Conrad	Stark County CUSD 100	Stark
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Niki Kelly	Stark County CUSD 100	Stark
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Tami J. Armstrong, M.A.	Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy	State Of Illinois
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Richard Busby	Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy	State Of Illinois
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Mandy Stalets	ISU Laboratory Schools	State Of Illinois
Award of Excellence	Administrator	Jennifer DeJong	Freeport SD 145	Stephenson
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Yonca Benoy	Freeport SD 145	Stephenson
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Janet Tomita	Freeport SD 145	Stephenson
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Nicole Wheeler	Freeport SD 145	Stephenson
Award of Special Recognition	Team	MTSS Team	Freeport SD 145	Stephenson
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Michael Baxter	East Peoria CHSD 309	Tazewell
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Krista Sands	Deer Creek-Mackinaw CUSD 701	Tazewell
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Tiffany Beard	Morton CUSD 709	Tazewell
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Kiri Lomax	Shawnee CUSD 84	Union
East Central Teacher of the Year		Stacey Rickard	Salt Fork Community Unit District 512	Vermilion
Bilingual Teacher of the Year		Sara Mendez	Monmouth-Roseville CUSD 238	Warren

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Sara Kollbaum	Nashville CHSD 99	Washington
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Joshua Berg	West Washington Co CUD 10	Washington
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Michael Rolinitis	Mokena SD 159	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Administrator	Patrick Meginniss	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Community Volunteer	Israel Smith	Mokena SD 159	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Early Career Educator	Nisrin Al-Takriti	Mokena SD 159	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Educational Service Personnel	Megan Studencki	Summit Hill SD 161	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Evangelina Caratachea	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Kristen Anderson	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Student Support Personnel	Jessica Petges	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Student Support Personnel	Alan Holtz	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Rebecca Young	Plainfield CCSD 202	Will
Far South Suburbs Teacher of the Year		Colleen Guccione	Valley View School District 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Annie Novak	Will County School District 92	Will
Award of Excellence	Teacher	Kristen Koppers	Joliet Twp HSD 204	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Jessica Pascarella	Lincoln Way CHSD 210	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Caroline Butler	Plainfield CCSD 202	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jody Diehl	Summit Hill SD 161	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kyrienne Evans	Summit Hill SD 161	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Toni Hicks	Troy CCSD 30C	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Melissa Coriell	Troy CCSD 30C	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Jodie Miech	Troy CCSD 30C	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Nathaniel Fonck	Troy CCSD 30C	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Nathan Fowler	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Margaret Morgenstern	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Claudia Chavez-Miranda	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will

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Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Karrie Lesac	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Amy Baldrige	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Elizabeth Mateo	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Team	Brooks Middle School Deans	Valley View CUSD 365U	Will
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Sherry Harris	Wilco Area Career Center	Will
Award of Special Recognition	Early Career Educator	Leah Zahn	Chesterton Academy of the Sacred Heart	Winnebago
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Nicole Corbett	Regional Office of Education 4 - Summit Academy	Winnebago
Award of Meritorious Service	Educational Service Personnel	Dwight Williams	Regional Office of Education 4 - Summit Academy	Winnebago
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Amanda Hathaway	Regional Office of Education 4 - Summit Academy	Winnebago
Award of Meritorious Service	Administrator	Jennifer Jewell	County of Woodford School	Woodford
Award of Special Recognition	Teacher	Kenny Robertson	Eureka CUD 140	Woodford
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Megan Lawrence	Fieldcrest CUSD 6	Woodford
Award of Meritorious Service	Teacher	Penelope (Penny) Baran	Fieldcrest CUSD 6	Woodford