



2019-20 Support Staff Employee of the Year Award

Call for Nominations – Deadline January 7, 2020

This award was established by the Falls Church School Board to recognize support staff employees whose contributions to the Falls Church City Public Schools exemplify the highest attributes of service. Support staff employees assist teachers and administrators in providing services to the instructional program and facilities. They include **paraprofessionals, office staff, health aides and central office specialists and administrative assistants**, as well as employees in these departments: **Transportation, Food Services, Day Care, Maintenance Services and Custodial Services.**

Nomination Criteria A nominee must be a support staff member who:

- Provides outstanding service that supports our students, staff, parents or facilities.
- Fosters cooperative relationships with colleagues, parents and the community.
- Understands and assists with the needs of their constituents.
- Demonstrates thorough knowledge of skills and expertise required to effectively perform job.

Eligibility

- Full-time or part-time employee on a contract.
- Completed at least five years of service with Falls Church City Public Schools.
- Maintains position in FCCPS throughout the 2021-2022 school year
- Individuals may not nominate themselves or encourage others to do so.
- Previous winners are not eligible to receive this award.
- [List of Previous FCCPS Support Staff Employee of the Year Nominees and Awardees](#)

Submission

- Nominations may be submitted by anyone in the community.
- Before beginning a nomination, confirm that nominee is eligible, by contacting HR Director [Amy Hall](#) by December 4.
- Letter from Principal or Supervisor is required in each nomination packet.
- **Email PDF files to [Amy Hall](#)** or submit via shared Google folder
- **Or deliver printed copies** to Amy Hall, FCCPS, 150 S. Washington St., Ste. 150, Falls Church, VA 22046

Selection and Recognition

- Selection will be made by a committee of readers.
- All nominees will be announced and celebrated in January 2021.
- The recipient will receive an award of \$1000, funded by FCCPS.
- All nominees will be recognized at the FCCPS Celebration of Excellence in May.

Nomination Form for 2019-20 FCCPS Support Staff Employee of the Year Award

Name of Nominee	
Job Title & School location	
Name of Person Nominating	
Nominator's Email	
Nominator's Phone	
Nominator's relationship to nominee	

- ☐ Provide a 400-word nomination statement explaining how this individual embodies the characteristics described in the criteria listed on page 1.

- ☐ Include at least three (no more than ten) statements of support from other individuals. One statement must be from a supervisor.

List names of writers of statements of support below	
1 Principal or Supervisor	
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Nominees and Winners of FCCPS Support Staff Employee of the Year Award

2019

Operations: Jennifer Lee, Food Services Mgr, TJES & Bus Aide

Classroom: Norma Sorto, Paraprofessional, TJES

Brian Fowler, Maintenance Supervisor, Systemwide

Molly Narburgh, Human Resources Specialist II, CO

Noel Obusan, Bus Driver, Transportation Services

2018

Charmaine Barr, Bus Driver, FCCPS Transportation

Sue Beltson, School Health Aide, TJES

Devita Godette-Eason, Benefits Specialist, HR

Cecilia Guerra, Assistant to the Director of Special Ed & Student Services

Evelyne Horovitz, Paraprofessional, TJES

Alane O'Neill, Technology Paraprofessional, TJES

Nora Pishner, Paraprofessional, MDES

Alejandrina Sanchez-Martinez, Custodian, GMHS

2017

Jan Potrykus, SPED Paraprofessional, TJES

Diane Harrington, Paraprofessional, GMHS

Jorge Montoya, Custodian, TJES

Janice Nette, Assistant Principal's Secretary, GMHS

Karen Schools, Health Aide, MDES

Scarlett Williams, ESOL Paraprofessional, TJES

2016

David Morales, Head Custodian, TJES

Yolanda Ante, Custodian, MEHMS

Charmaine Barr, Bus Driver

Surabhi Dobhal, Paraprofessional, JTP

Diana Fredenburg, Paraprofessional, MD

Ronnie Henderson, Safety & Security Officer, GMHS

Norma Sorto, Paraprofessional, TJES

2015

Marty Gadell, Superintendent's Secretary & Deputy Clerk of School Board

Janice Nette, Assistant Principal's Secretary, GMHS

Kevin O'Dowd, Paraprofessional, MDES

2014

Shey Wakeley, Paraprofessional, MDES

Lynette Kemp, Library Assistant, GMHS

Deirdre Haft, Paraprofessional, TJES

Sandra Patricio, Health Room Aide, GMHS

Kim Tanner, Paraprofessional, MDES

Robin Williams, Extended Care Assistant Supervisor, TJES

2013

Sara Blake, Finance Specialist, CO

Jose Fuentes, Building Technician, GMHS

Mario Londono, Supervisor & Night Custodian, MEHMS

Tish Pugh, Principal's Administrative Assistant, MEHMS

2012

Debra Newman, Fourth Grade Paraprofessional, TJES

Yolanda Ante, Custodian, MEHMS

Syda Chansombat, Custodian, MEHMS

Dorothy Clinton, Asst. Principal's Secretary, GMHS

Dion Green, Security Officer, GMHS

Anne Jondrow, Math Paraprofessional, TJES

Dang Nguyen, Network Engineer, Systemwide

2011

Leila Levesque, Data Information Specialist, CO

Marybeth Connelly, Community Outreach Coord, Systemwide

Gabe Fernandez, Maintenance, GMHS

Monique Lane, Paraprofessional, TJES

Susan Matchett, ESOL Paraprofessional, MD

2010

LaBryan Thomas, Maintenance, MEHMS

LV Bendolph, Custodian, GMHS

Robert Jones, GMHS

Martha "Mim" McFarland, Media Center Paraprofessional, MEHMS

2009

Larry Allen, Band Paraprofessional, TJES & MEHMS

Ray Epps, Maintenance, TJES

Debbie Flanigan, Principal's Secretary, GMHS

John Levock, Principals' Secretary, MEHMS

Clara Loza, Food Services, GMHS

Rik Jowers, IT Coordinator, Systemwide

2008

Kathy Poff, Aide, TJES

Barbara Cooper, Principal's Secretary, TJES

Marco De Las Casas, Bus Driver & Courier

Cecilia Guerra, Administrative Assistant, Special Education

Lori Knight, Extended Day Care Program

2007

Barbara Mitchell, Superintendent's Secretary, CO

Jennie Adkins, Bus Driver

Elizabeth Cate, Health Aide, TJES

Pat Smith, Attendance Secretary, MEHMS

Sue Wallen, HR Specialist, CO

Mary Werner, Office Aide, TJES

2006

Bob Nissen, Maintenance Supervisor, Systemwide

Nancy Hendrickson, Transportation Director

Bobby Kaplow, Day Care Director, Extended Day Care Program

David Morales, Head Custodian, TJES

Alfredo Portillo, Maintenance, Systemwide

Diana Shaw, Paraprofessional, TJES

2005

Marco De Las Casas, Bus Driver & Courier

Larry Allen, Band Paraprofessional, TJES & MEHMS

Jenny Adkins, Bus Driver

Charmaine Barr, Bus Driver

Gabe Fernandez, Maintenance, GMHS

Debbie Flanigan, Principal's Secretary, GMHS

David Morales, Head Custodian, TJES

Margaret Ohr, Office Aide, TJES

Lynn Prevatt

Sally Rosholt

