**SARA SCHUMACHER RACHEL MANNING JENN JOHNSON** 

JEFF DIETZ

**KIM NEU** 

**JEFF DIETZ** 

**JENN MOORE** 

**BECKY GARVIN** 

**HANSEN** 

**PAYTON** 

**REYNOLDS** 

Mrs. Schumacher is an amazing 5th grade teacher. My daughter absolutely adores being in her class! Thank you to Mrs. Schumacher for seeing the very best in all children and providing unique learning opportunities for all students. You're the best!

You are an INCREDIBLE teacher. Shakopee has been so lucky to have you - your students and staff have learned so much from you! Love you!

Jenn is so caring of the well being of not only her students but staff as well. She helps teammates stand up for themselves when they take on too much. People are lucky to get to work with her. She is a gem.

Mr. Dietz is an amazing teacher who is so patient and kind to his students. My son is excited to show up everyday so he can have a few minutes with his teacher each morning to talk about what's going on in their lives, Minnesota sports and who has the best fantasy football team. He instills grace and humility in his students while still celebrating their achievements and building their confidence. I love all the teachers we've had at Eagle Creek but wanted to make sure Mr. Dietz got a shout out because he truly has made 2nd grade a fun experience for my son.

Mrs. Neu is a huge asset to Eagle Creek Elementary because she is invested in both the students and the school. She goes above and beyond to help the PTO, attend the school events and make sure her students are supported and cared for. Everyone who knows her would agree and her students admire her.

Mr. Dietz connects and makes every effort to make learning fun. He's warm and comforting to kids. Jenn is an outstanding teacher. My daughter always comes home happy from school and is equally excited **JENN MOORE** to go to school every day. Thank you for everything you do, Jenn! We appreciate you :)

heart. Zoey loves her posters and big heart. She will miss her a ton.

Ms. Moore is a caring and patient teacher. She has gone out of her way to make my daughter feel special, even when others take more attention. My daughter loves that she is recognized as leader in her classroom. Ms. Moore has been a great communicator and I know she has my daughter's best interest at

Mrs. Garvin has been an exceptional teacher to our daughter and a wonderful partner to us as we have

navigated our daughter's transition to Kindergarten. Mrs.Garvin has been kind, patient, insightful and has truly gone above and beyond to ensure our daughter has been successful. We feel that we hit the jackpot of teachers, and Becky was made to be a teacher. Our community is lucky to have her!

Mrs. Chesley is such a positive person! She truly cares about each student and helping them grow while in CARRIE CHESLEY

Mrs. Hansen takes time to get to know each of her students and builds on those relationships to inspire **KELLY AUSTIN**and engage kids so they want to learn and improve their skills.

Mrs. Nimchuck continues to provide unique and engaging ways for students to learn about music. She is **ANN NIMCHUK** upbeat and inspires kids to have fun while they learn new things.

> Mrs. Reynolds has been a wonderful teacher this year for our son. We have enjoyed her updates and our son has LOVED being in her class.

You are so kind and thoughtful with all of your students! **JEFF DIETZ** 

her classroom!

**KATHY JOHNSON** You have the patience of a saint!

Mr. Dietz has been instrumental in our son's success while in 2nd grade. He looks forward to school everyday and loves the relationship that he has formed with his teacher. I have noticed such a difference in **JEFF DIETZ** 

my son academically this year which is a shot out to what Mr. Dietz does with his class. Jeff is a great asset

to Eagle Creek and the Shakopee community!

We're so grateful to you for giving Claire such a wonderful Kindergarten experience. You are appreciated **REBECCA GARVIN** every day!

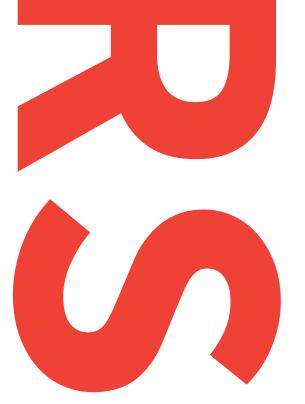
Mrs. Chesley is the definition of an amazing teacher and an example of someone who has truly found their calling. She does such a great job of making learning fun and relatable for her students. Her compassion

and love for each student is unmatched. She believes in them and appropriately pushes them out of their CARRIE CHESLEY comfort zones because she knows their full potential. We are so thankful for the positive impact she's had on both of our boys and will be someone we remember and think of fondly for years to come.

**Saber Pride** in ALL of Our **Eagle Creek** 







**Saber Pride** We appreciate you and all that you do for your kids in the classroom! **ANGELA GEHLHOFF** in ALL of Our **Jackson** Thank you for creating a positive learning environment for kids! We appreciate all **KRISTEN HENGEL** you do for them! Thank you for being a caring individual who puts students first. You strive to teach them the very best in both education and how to be a good person. You are helping STEPHANIE MASLOSKI these students prepare for the next stage in their life - Middle School! Love you **DENA GREGOR** I appreciate all the work you have put into my son this year. Not only has he gained more confidence, but he feels ready to tackle middle school because of your **JEFF TRIEST** support. You are one he will never forget. Thanks a million. My son is a trombone player because of YOU! I don't know how you do it, but the 5th grade band sounds amazing. He cannot wait to continue on in middle school. **STEPHANIE PEOPLES** Thank you for your patience and time with Jack. I appreciate it! Thank you for always being responsive and available. I appreciate all you do and **KEVIN BJERKEN, PETER** your flexibility! Especially with all of the meetings we have held this year. **ORCHARD, DEANN GENDLIN** Thank you so much for all you do everyday for my kid! You are amazing! **SARAH REIERSGORD SARI FLATNESS** Thanks for being so awesome with my kid! Thank you for being so awesome with my kid! **DAN OLSON** Thank you for being so awesome with my kid! You are her favorite specialist **JEFF CASEY** teacher! Thank you for being so awesome with my kid! **SUSAN TANBERG** Thank you for being so awesome with my kid! **GIGI HILGERS** Thank you for being so awesome with my kid! **SARAH HUGHES** Thank you for being so awesome with all the kids in Dani's class! **ALEX FISCHER** You will always be one of Luke's favorites. Thanks for being awesome. **JENNY LARSEN** You will always be one of our son's favorites! Stay awesome KAITLIN WERMERSKIRCHEN Thanks for being so sweet to my boy!! He adores you. LEXIE SCHILLING We appreciate all the hard work and dedication put in everyday! Our daughter truly **JENNY LARSEN** enjoys coming to class everyday with you as her teacher! Thanks for all you do!

#### **CHRISTINE HYATT**

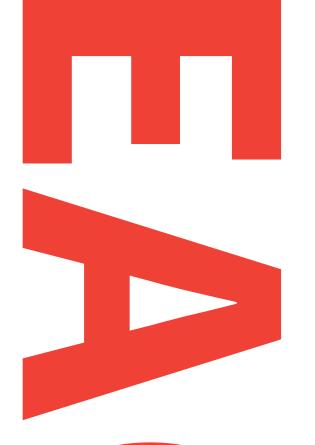
Thank you so much for creating such a loving classroom and creating a love of school for your class. My child is excited to go to school every day!

## Saber Pride in ALL of Our Pearson



#### **MISSY JOHNSON**

Missy, thank you so much for coordinating all the needs while all the Europe trip! You made sure everything went smoothly and took time to answer questions or concerns. Thank you so much. You are an amazing nurse and student support staff member!



#### **MONICA SCHMIT**

Thank you for being a wonderful and caring teacher for kids in their first ever school experience. You made going to school something fun to look forward to on school days! You also helped create great friendships between the students in your class. Thank you!











Mr. Frovik has had such an awesome impact on our daughter. Not a day goes by that we don't hear **Saber Pride** of something that they did in class or how he embraces his quirkiness and does something silly. The in ALL of Our fact that he is himself in front of his students is an important lesson for this age group. The message it sends is that you can be exactly who you are. He has helped our daughter reignite her passion for **Red Oak** learning and has helped her build confidence in herself. While there are bullies everywhere, I credit **JED FROVIK** Mr. Frovik for helping with a different approach to handling these situations and that is to focus on the positive and not to waste energy on things that aren't worth it. He helps boost them up which is amazing and much needed for everyone. We can't thank him enough and is the type of teacher that makes kids look forward to getting up and going to school everyday, and to enjoy learning. **SHELLY** She is so awesome, she is more then just a teacher to my son. **SCHANEN** Thank you for your patience, guidance, support and ability to see Jax's potential. He has enjoyed being in your class so much and has made so many amazing gains this year. You are a wonderful **JULIE DAHL** teacher and co-worker. Thank you for all that you do. Mrs. Tangert makes all her students feel loved and accepted for exactly who they are! Her **SARAH** classroom is a safe and welcoming environment where learning takes place and a lot of fun is had! **TANGERT** Thank you, Mrs. Tangert, for being a special teacher in our daughter's life! Our family has been fortunate to have Mrs. Boltmann as a teacher for both of our daughters and we are so extremely grateful for that. Mrs. Boltmann has a magical way to motivate and inspire her **TRISH** students to want to do their best in the process of learning to LOVE learning! Her energy, creativity **BOLTMANN** and fun ideas make her classroom a great place to learn and have fun! Thank you, Mrs. Boltmann, for being an important and caring adult in the lives of our daughters! Mrs. Hicks is a behavior interventionist who brings her experiences and expertise to both help coach teachers, as well as work with students. She is an outside the box thinker who uses creative and **MERIDITH** motivating tools and strategies to teach students how they can be the best learners they can be **HICKS** when they are at school. She believes in Red Oak students, holding high expectations while being so incredibly kind and caring! Thank you, Mrs. Hick's, for all you do every day for Red Oak students! Mrs. Storlie has provided a fantastic learning environment for my first grader. She has been very receptive to any questions or concerns brought to her. My student has progressed so much in **ANDREA** multiple areas, including math and reading, as a result of Mrs. Storlie's teaching methods. She is a **STORLIE** true asset for the school district. Mrs. Crosby is a wonderful teacher. She has been so patient with my son and really taken the time to teach him how to succeed in school. She has gone out of her way to come up with ways that work **MARIA CROSBY** for his learning style. You can tell she loves what she does. We are very grateful to have her as our teacher. She does a wonderful job **SARA THEIS** She's been a wonderful helper to my son and other students so far in 5th grade. **SELENA CRUZ** 

SELENA CRUZ

Ms. Cruz is an AWESOME teacher! We have enjoyed this year so much with her leading the classroom! She's fantastic!

**MIRANDA** 

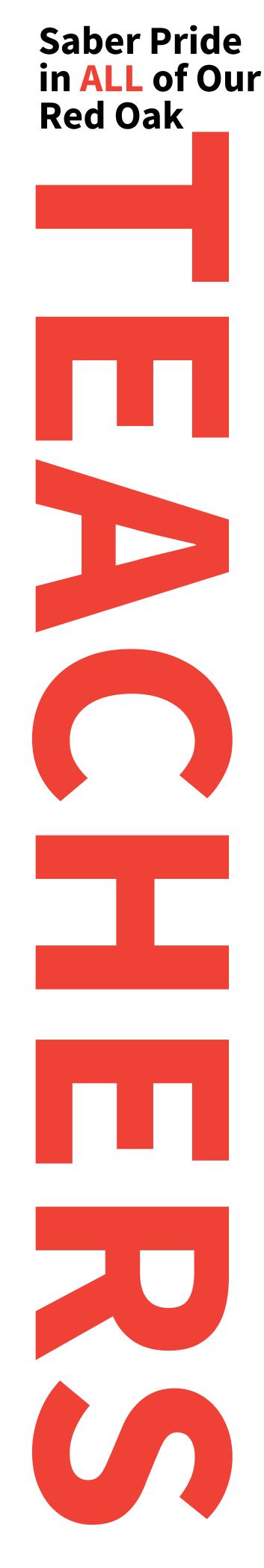
**TOTH** 

Ms. Toth is an amazing teacher and individual. Not only is she fantastic with our son but she has given us as parents some of the kindest gifts of validation and reassurance that we have ever gotten. The difference she makes in my sons life are profound and they make a huge difference for our family life. She is genuine, kind, patient and she truly "sees" our son. Her relationship with our son and our family is one we will never forget. Red Oak Elementary is really lucky to have a teacher like her, as are all the special needs families that get to interact with her!

JUSTYNE Grayson is so lucky to have his first teacher be Mrs. Vogel! She is extremely patient, kind and cares **VOGEL** so much about the kids. Thank you for everything you do, Mrs. Vogel!!



**PATRICK** Preston is so lucky to have Mr. Kloeckner! He makes learning fun, and cares so much about **KLOECKNER**the kids. Thank you for everything you do, Mr. Kloeckner!! **WALTERS** She has created a safe, fun and comfortable environment in the classroom. My daughter comes home with nothing but great things to say about her and the way that she teaches and **SELENA CRUZ** the way she conducts the classroom. She has made her last year of elementary one to remember. She has helped my daughter find confidence within HP reading. She has advocated for her the last 2 years and her growth in HP is all thanks to Virginia. My daughter looks forward to HP **VIRGINIA WOLD** reading and it's because of her teacher. Thanks for being so awesome! You are appreciated! La verdad me parece una excelente escuela en Educación para mi hijo . Y puedo decir también de su maestra en el grado de primero , ha sido una excelente persona .. cuando tengo una duda en el momento me la aclara; y es eso lo que me gusta de ella ... es una buena persona .... poseedora de buenos modales... la verdad estoy tan agradecida con Mrs. **JULIE DAHL** Dahl ... (The truth seems to me an excellent school in Education for my son. And I can also say about her teacher in the first grade, she has been an excellent person. When I have a question, she clarifies it at the moment and that's what I like about her... she's a good person. ... possessing good manners... the truth is that I am so grateful for Mrs. Dahl...) Ms. Carlson, you have been wonderful! The effort and care you put into your classroom does **AUDREY CARLSON** not go unnoticed. Your impact is huge and you are so appreciated. My daughter loves learning from you. I couldn't imagine how hard your job as an educator is **SARA THEIS** but you have made such a positive impact on Ellianna. Thank you for everything you do!!!! Mrs. Heyer is well organized, patient, creative and caring. The children know what is expected and really enjoy learning from Mrs. Heyer. The children know that she cares about **RACHEL HEYER** them and wants them to learn, grow and do their best. Ms. Carlson is an awesome teacher and a great asset to Red Oak. So glad our son has her as a **AUDREY CARLSON** teacher. Thank you! Mr. Poppen is great! She goes above and beyond to help our son do and be his best. She's **KATHRYN POPPEN** great at parent communication, too! Thank you! He is one of our son's very favorite adults in the school. I think he wants to be just like him MICHAEL ALTRINGER when he grows up! Thank you for all of your hard work and patience! She is really kind, respectful, responsible and safe. She teaches me fun games and explains the rules. I like that she gives us time to play with toys, watch movies and listen to music. I **JULIE DAHL** like that she jokes around with us. She makes school fun. Mrs. Thompson is strong, intelligent, resilient, creative, compassionate-- in short, Jill is a **JILL THOMPSON** 



VIRGINIA WOLD, SARAH TANGERT, ASHLEY LEADSTROM

**JUSTYNE VOGEL** 

**TERI OSCARSON** 

Thanks for all that you do!

school more than ever!

superstar of a teacher, and I'm so glad she is my child's teacher this year!!

son has made a lot of progress with her. Thank you for instructing Alan.

Excellent teacher, very kind, affectionate and patient. She has a good teaching method, my

Mrs. Oscarson is an amazing teacher! She recognizes and understands what my daughter

Mrs. Oscarson has built a relationship with my daughter so she looks forward to going to

needs and has a wealth of teaching strategies to keep her engaged and interested in learning.

**TERI OSCARSON** She helped me understand science and was always kind.

**VIRGINIA WOLD** Mrs. Wold is one of my favorite teachers.

**VIRGINIA WOLD** Mrs. Wold really understood me and taught me numerous different math and reading skills.

TERI OSCARSON

Mrs. Oscarson understands problems if there is any and if something happened she is always

calm.

VIRGINIA WOLD, MOLLY WILTGEN, JENNIFER SEEL

**JILL THOMPSON** 

These teachers are amazing!

**TRISH BOLTMANN** Mrs. Boltmann was the best teacher ever.

**JAMIE CLARK** Mrs.Clark has been an inspiration to me.

**DIANE RUEGG** Mrs. Ruegg was the best teacher!

CHARMIN ERICKSON

Mrs. Erickson was so nice and creative. And if we had a problem with some friends, she'd talk

to us and fix the problem.

**VIRGINIA WOLD** Thanks for all that you do!

**TRICIA BOLTMANN** She was so nice and kind. She changed teaching for me.

**JENNIFER SEEL** Mrs. Seel was the best teacher!

RACHEL HEYER

Mrs. Heyer, I'm am so great full for you being my first grade teacher. I really liked the books

that you read to us. And I also really liked the fun activities that you surprise us with.

**KELSEY THEIS** She was really fun. She loved hugs and really understood me. I appreciate her a lot!

VIRGINIA WOLD

She helped me learn so much math and reading! I can not thank her enough for what she has

done!

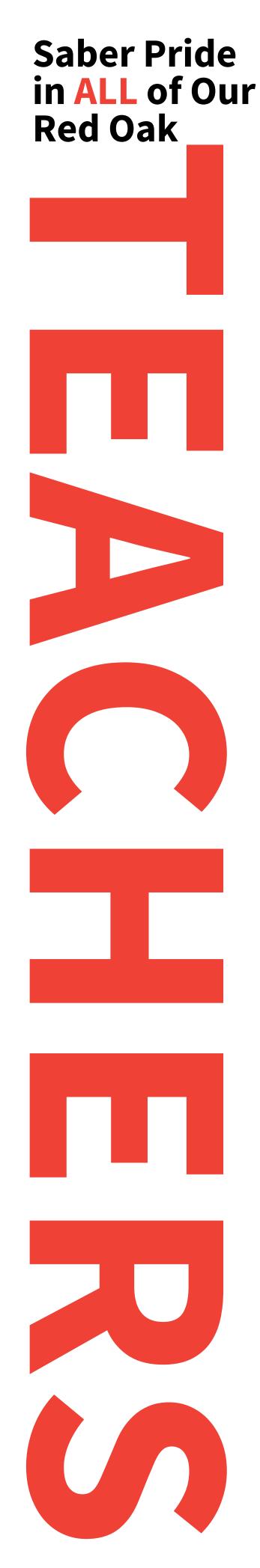
Words don't fully describe what a joy it is to have Mrs. Thompson as my daughter's teacher. She doesn't just teach. You can tell that she is doing everything she can to prepare the kids for their future. She is always kind and caring, and tough when need be. She has the ability to make even the most challenging topics accessible and engaging. For my daughter, that was reading. With Mrs. Thompson's help, my daughter is now in the 300 club and has discovered a

love for reading. At the beginning of the year, I didn't even think that was possible. Mrs.

Thompson is dedicated and inspiring, and I hope she knows what a huge impact she has had on our family. I want her to know that her hard work and dedication does not go unnoticed

and is SO appreciated!





CHARMIN ERICSON, LORI STREED, ASHLEY LEADSTRUM

Thumbs Up!

SARA THEIS

She was good!

**TERI OSCARSON** 

She is nice and fun.

**VIRGINIA WOLD** 

She is alway kind, support our mistakes and makes sure we understand our

homework.

**SARAH TANGERT** 

She is the best teacher I've ever had. She can always make me laugh.

**CHARMIN ERICKSON** 

I had you for second grade and now I'm in 7th. I just wanted to say it was always fun in your classroom and I loved being there.

TRICIA BOLTMANN

Mrs. Boltmann was an amazing teacher for my daughter! She is so creative and she allowed my daughter to learn through creative outlets as well. Mrs. Boltmann also challenged my daughter in so many ways. She saw her potential and helped her reach it!

AUDREY CARLSON

Ms. Carlson is an excellent teacher who cares deeply about her students learning. She takes time to asks students how they are doing with regular check ins and openly talks about taking care of students minds and bodies.

SELENA CRUZ

Ms. Cruz takes extra time out of her day to help students. She is kind and

listens with empathy and compassion.

ANDREA STORLIE

Mrs. Storlie is a perfect 1st grade teacher. She listens, provides feedback at a 1st grade level and encourages students to step outside their shell and try new

things. Meal worms!

JULIE DAHL

Mrs. Dahl was my first and second grade teacher at Red Oak Elementary. She truly had such an impact on me and to this day has been one of my favorite and most influential teachers (even though I was so young). She always had a smile on her faced and cared about her students so much. The Shakopee

District is so lucky to have her!

MARTHA SCHMIDT, LORI STREED, STEPHANIE ST. PETER, SARA BINGHAM

Thank you for always being flexible and upbeat throughout the year. I love working with all of you.

JENNIFER SEEL

Thank you so much for the kindness, patience and gentle help you've demonstrated towards Amelia this year. We very much appreciate the important role you've played in her life this year. We're very thankful for you.

**KELLY WEIR** 

Thank you for all of your hard work and kindness towards Lewis this year! We are so grateful that he was placed in your class. We are very appreciative of the important role you play in Lewis's life.

**Saber Pride** in ALL of Our **Red Oak** 

**KATE BENDER** 

When Ms. Bender started working with my daughter, it was like a wish being granted. My daughter began looking forward to going to school and coming home excited to tell us what she learned. My daughter went from dragging her feet into the building to skipping to class. Ms. Bender has managed to meet my daughter where she is at and offer her challenging work, while simultaneously teaching at another level for other students. She gives my kid a place where a love for learning is shared by all who go there. Ms. Bender is awesome and we love her!

Saber Pride in ALL of Our Sun Path

MCKENNA VAN FOSSEN

Thank you for everything! Thank you for teaching me multiplication and division. Thank you for being an amazing teacher! - Kaden

LISA LAHL

You have been nothing short of amazing to my daughter. Thank you so much for loving and teaching her like your very own! When we first moved to Minnesota, I told you my fears and how nervous I was being a new mother and starting over moving here. You assured me that my daughter would be fine and that if I trusted you, you would do all you could to make a difference. My kid can write and count to 100. She knows the days of the week and the months of the year. She can speak, spell and write well for a Kindergartener. She's showing character, manners, values and discipline. I can't thank you enough!!!! We love you so much, Mrs. Lahl. You are a great teacher to my daughter and I will NEVER EVER forever! You are a rockstar, thank you!

LAUREN SCOTT

I would like to thank Ms. Scott for being such a good last teacher in elementary school and thank her for all the support that you have given me over the school year!

**ERIN ANDERSEN** 

You are AWESOME! We appreciate all that you do!

**ELIZABETH BLOOM** 

We appreciate all the help and support you have provided this year! We appreciate you! You ROCK!

**EMILY DOMEIER** 

We really appreciate all the hard work you've put into teaching our child this year. Thank you for being such a wonderful teacher!

KAYLA SCHUMAN

My daughter struggled to adapt to Kindergarten, but Ms Schuman went out of her way to create an environment that helped my daughter thrive. She used her own free time to cultivate books and assignments that challenged and engaged my daughter. There were some difficult moments that caused me to consider homeschooling my daughter, but Ms. Schuman and other dedicated staff members helped make school a wonderful educational adventure. I am so grateful that my daughter had the exact right person to take her through this journey. Thank you, Ms. Schuman! And thanks to all of the wonderful teachers, aids and staff members at Sun Path Elementary!



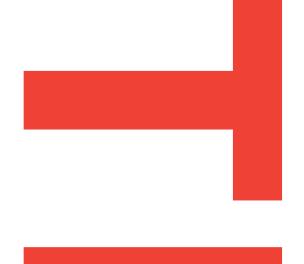


Al equipo que trabaja con niños con discapacidad Y maestros (To the team that works with children with disabilities and teachers) Agradezco muchísimo su esfuerzo y paciencia con mis dos hijos Angely y Diego, gracias por su labor tan importante. Nuestra familia está agradecida con esta bella escuela por todo lo que hacen en especial con nuestro Angel, Dios les bendiga, gracias por su hermosa labor... (I am very grateful for your effort and patience with my two children Angely and Diego, thank you for your important work. Our family is grateful to this beautiful school for everything they do especially with our Angel. God bless you, thank you for your beautiful work...)

## Saber Pride in ALL of Our Sun Path

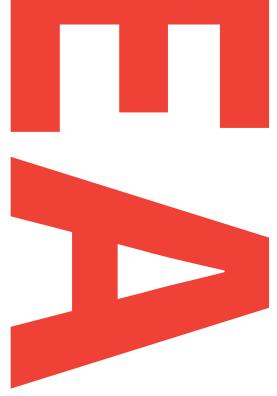
LAURA SAMMIS

One the nicest and kindest teachers my daughter has had. Always cheerful and smiling. My daughter, Chloe, can say the same too.



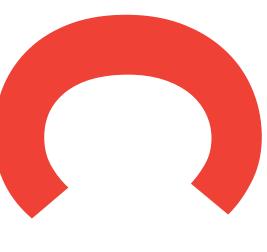
**KATHY CLARKE** 

Kathy is always so cheerful and welcoming when I pick my son up! Thankyou for ALL that you do! You are so appreciated ♥



JENNIFER GROSSMAN

Dr. Grossman is an excellent teacher and my son has enjoyed her class. Thank you for all you do for our kids!!!



JESSICA KULICK

You are a great teacher. You keep it up.



DANIELLE GOEMBEL

She very tenitive, encouraging and patient with the kids and keeps you informed on any updates or the students themselves. Mrs. Goembel makes all subjects and projects exciting for the students happy and willingness to learn.





### **Saber Pride** I have known Darcy for over 40 years. Since she started teaching I have seen so many in ALL of Our social media call outs and so many recommendations of how great she is. Well, after my child finally had a normal year since first grade, I see why she is so great. She has **DARCY KOCH Sweeney** gotten my child to bloom in so many ways. Not only with academics but in her personality. She has been the best. Mrs. Peterson has been my daughter's teacher for Kindergarten and now 1st grade this year - we love her! She's so caring, thoughtful and fun. It's been amazing to watch **KATIE PETERSON** our daughter learn and flourish and we can't thank Mrs. Peterson enough! Mrs. Winkler is a fabulous teacher! She has given my daughter a wonderful year full of ANDREA WINKLER learning and fun. We are so grateful! Mrs. Purington is one of a kind! She is patient, kind, thoughtful and cares about what's **KRISSY PURINGTON** best for her students! They are always doing such fun things in her class! Mrs. Larson is one of the best teachers I've ever had. She is kind and loving and always knows how to have fun! She played games to help us remeber our school work and **AMY LARSON** made us smile every day. Mrs. Larson loves every one of her students and never forgets them! She always made my day, and I will never forget her. This is the best year of school I've ever experienced, with Mrs. Larson. **AMY LARSON** Ms. Larson has the energy and positivity of a thousand teachers :) She loves all her **AMY LARSON**

Thank you for all you have done to support both of our kiddos in 2nd grade! Quentin

ANDREA WINKLER and Zaida love you so much and think you are the BEST TEACHER EVER! We couldn't

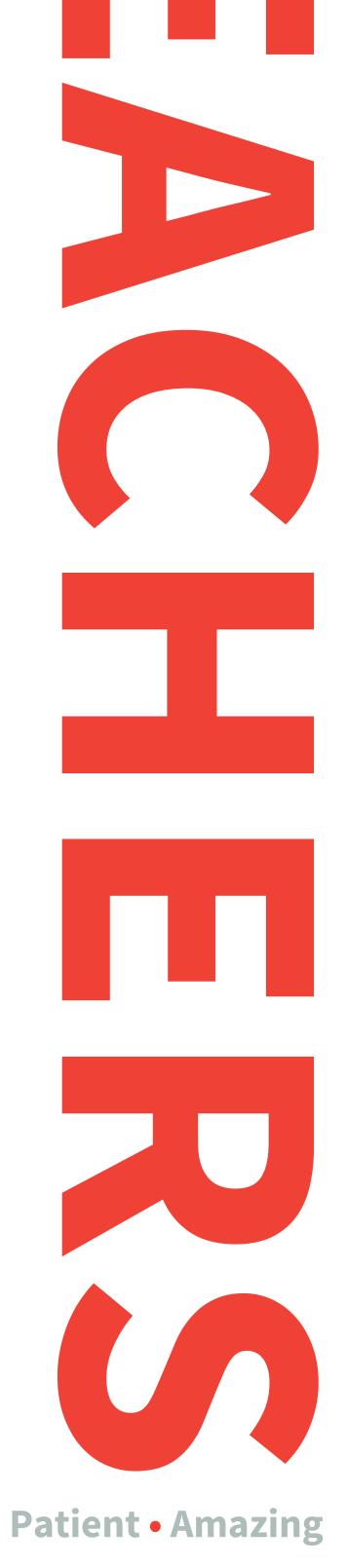
be more thankful!

kids and shows them that learning can be fun! She all of my kids' favorite teacher:)

Thank you for your patience as we sort out what is going on with our student! It has been a stressful time and it's been great having your support and understanding.

Hoping we get in the clear very soon so our daughter can enjoy her last few weeks of third grade with you and her classmates!





LINDA
SIMENSTAD

KRISTEN
GONYEA

KAREN VAN
SICKLE

TIFFANY HALL

MATT BRAA

STEVE GRIM

Linda - you are doing an incredible job with your students. You put so much love and time into your job and it makes positive impacts not only on your students, but also your staff. Keep up the amazing work, Shakopee is lucky to have you.

She was the sweetest, most kind teacher ever. She understands issues in day-to-day life beyond what most teachers do. She's so caring and was such a great teacher! (former student)

To a dedicated and passionate professional of her work, I would like to let her know through these words how much I admired her and how thankful I am due to her impact in my daughter's life.

Thanks, Mrs. Hall, for inspiring our non artist to try new things. She is has made our daughters year.

Mrs. Hall is one of the best.

Thank you for all your extra time and dedication to Mrs. Olson's 8th grade algebra students! It's been a challenge for everyone. We appreciate you!

With Mr. Grim, math is possible! You make learning math the easiest it's ever been for our 6th grader! Great teachers like you make a positive impact on students and families that are fortunate enough to have you! Thank you for everything!

**DAN HOLL** He is funny!

**STEVE GRIM** 

**KELLIE** 

**KOENIG** 

**JASON** 

**KELLIE** 

**KOENIG** 

LUNDGREN

I would like to thank Mr. Grim for making 6th grade math not so terrible for me. I always hated math because I never really understood what I was doing, but the way Mr. Grim engaged and taught my class made me enjoy it and made me want to do better everyday. His big smile and laugh always made my day. The Shakopee district is truly lucky to have him as a teacher!

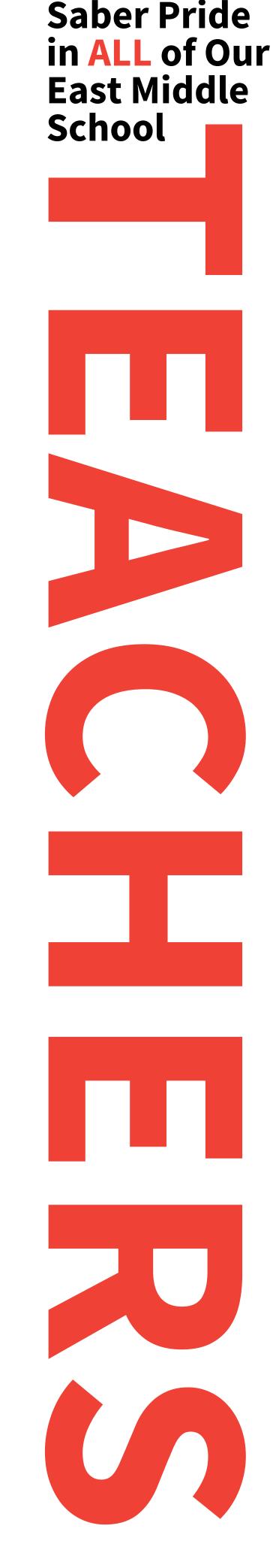
I had Mrs. Koenig for just a short time period in Middle School for math and wow I love her so much. She was the teacher who really felt like a friend for me (and being in middle school thats somethings more what you need). Her smile and the care she had for her students was truly amazing. The Shakopee district is so lucky to have her as a teacher!

Mr. Lundgren teaches with a contagious enthusiasm for reading. He engages students with fun projects that foster their love of reading. His class is a highlight of our daughter's day!

Mrs. Koenig is sharp, engaging and holds her students to high expectations. She helps students rise to their potential in a positive learning environment while helping kids achieve. She fosters a growth mindset and includes games to make learning fun.

**TIFFANY HALL** Thank you for making Heroes such a fun and engaging class!





**CJ SMITH** 

You're one of the greatest team players I've ever worked with! Thank you for always stepping in to help when others are in need and taking the lead with our paraprofessional training. You are appreciated!

**LUANN WALKER** 

You're the kindest, most giving friend and colleague. Thank you for always thinking of others and brightening our days. You are loved!

**NIKKI STORKSON** 

You're the best! Thank you for having such a great sense of humor - I look forward to our daily laugh sessions. Love ya!

ANDREA RINGSMUTH

You're the best Speech Pathologist in the biz! Love you!

**CHRISTINE BROWN** 

Thank you for being such a kind, accommodating teacher! Your love and patience is so appreciated by our special education team.

**MADDIE MARKGRAF** 

You are doing a GREAT job in your first year! SHS is beyond lucky to have you! Love ya!

MIKE KOVIC

Mr. Kovic is a very great teacher. He is very understanding and compassionate to his students in choir. I really enjoy having him as a teacher. Thanks Mr. Kovic for everything that you do for the SHS choir students.

SANDRA REISHUS

Absolutely amazing! Very thoughtful and kind. She always tries her best to help students as much as possible.

ERIC ESSENDRUP

He's always looking out for his students. He genuinely cares about them and what they have to say. He gives them the time of day.

JOE TARAN

You're one of the greatest team players I've ever worked with! Thank you for always stepping in to help when others are in need and taking the lead with our paraprofessional training. You are appreciated!

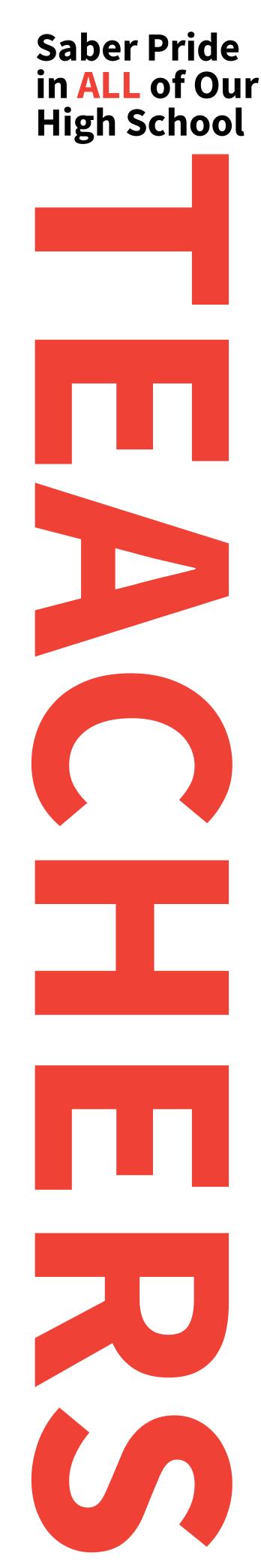
HEATHER SCHROEDER

Heather is the best support system a student could ask for. She has the most welcoming arms and never makes you feel judged. She has a true heart of gold and loves what she does. I wouldn't have made it through high school without her being there for me. My BFF for life.

PAULA ROZOWA

Ms. P was such a wonderful and supportive teacher for our daughter! She worked hard to make sure L understood the AP Chem lessons, stayed after or before school to let L meet her accommodations, and really made sure all the kids understood AP Chem- not just teaching them to pass a test and forget the content. We felt that she truly cares about her students, she reached out on L's behalf several times and made sure she felt supported and care for!!! Thank you for all that you do!





**KELLY WALLACE** 

I cannot thank Kelly enough for her patience with my student. As a teacher myself, I know how frustrating it can be when a student doesn't work to their potential. She has tolerated my student being late to class with empathy and kindness. Thank you!

**GRETCHEN HAISMAN** 

Thank you for all you have done to support Amelia the past 4 years. There are not enough words to express our gratitude. You are AMAZING!

**HOLLY LOISELLE** 

Mrs. Loiselle is an amazing teacher who wants her students to succeed. She not only pushes them to do their best, but also prepares them for what is to come in life.

JENI MAVETZ

THANK YOU for being an amazing teacher, mentor and support person for Amelia. We are truly grateful for you!

**KJERSTI VEVLE** 

You are my daughter's favorite! She grew so much after taking your class. You have an amazing connection and I'm greatful for your impact on her.

JENNIFER TABIOS

Mrs. Tabios is such an amazing teacher who truly cares about her students. We are so thankful that our daughter had her before graduating. She truly makes a difference!

ERIN HEILMAN

Erin, you were such a great support for students in Europe. The planes, the days, the evenings...all things planning, all things to do during the trip. You took time to address questions or concerns, provided great ideas, and helped ensure a peaceful mindset for parents and a wonderful time for kids. Thank you for bringing your joy each day, your time and your talent. THANK YOU for all the big and small things you do to serve kids and families.

MIKE KOVIC

Thank you for all of your time and talent to help students achieve success in all of their musical endeavors. Thank you for such an amazing trip to Europe. Thank you for sharing your joy so that kids, too, find joy in music. You give so much to kids and it shows. Thank you for the many ways you serve students and your talent-rich heart for music.

BRIDGET KEENAN

Thank you, Ms. Keenan, for being a teacher where kids grow and learn and achieve in many muscial ways. You've been fantastic ever since you taught her in 6th grade at Pearson. The sounds you get gets to produce is outstanding! Jill loves Bel Canto and mentions often how much she loves having you as her teacher. Thank you for bringing out the best in Jill and giving her reasons to laugh and find joy along the way. Best wishes on an awesome upcoming wedding and new married life to come! We wish you many blessings.

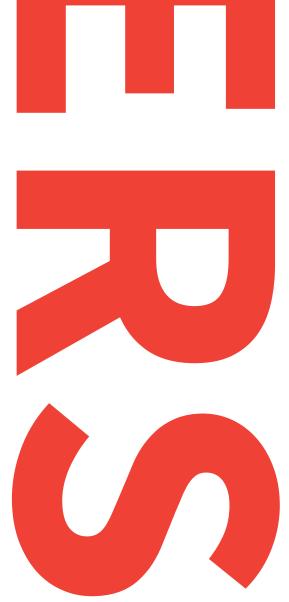
BRENDAN MCNALLY

Thank you, Mr. McNally, for being such an awesome math teacher with both Collin and Jill. They loved having you. Collin is now majoring in math, possibly going into the actuarial field. He reminded us that you said you earned a D once in your hardest math class in college. I think that was to prepare us for "if that happens" knowing he's prefacing the comment by alluding to "greatness"-you. Well, luckily enough, for freshman year at Concordia College in Moorhead, he's had A's and a B+ thus far in his 3 math classes this year. Jill's doing great in FST this year (thanks to your time and talent) and signed up for pre-calc next year. You provide such fun and passion in your teaching and kids see it and it manifests in their mindset about learning math, being in math class and their recognition of you being "real" with them. Your positivity, too, is always such a plus. Thanks for all you do!



# Saber Pride in ALL of Our High School





**SARAH KOCH** 

Ms. Koch has helped teach and inspire our girl like no other teacher to date. Dist 720 would be blessed if this new teacher makes Shakopee her lifetime career. She definitely learned well from her mama, Mrs. Darcy Koch. Thank you ladies, but Sara went the extra mile this year:)

MARY THOM

Mrs. Thom has gone above and beyond to help our daughter in her first year of middle school. She has helped her through some tough and embarrassing moments, and we are so thankful for teachers that genuinely care about the student as a person. Mrs. Thom is one of those teacher! Thank you!

TARA ORSTAD

Thank you for putting your passion into the classroom and making science fun!

**EMILY LAUGHLIN** 

You are a positive teacher who makes math fun and engaging for your students. Thanks!

**SARAH KOCH** 

You have been very helpful in my son being successful in writing this year. You are kind and helpful to the students you work with each day.

**BRUCE FINKE** 

Mr. Finke is super nice and funny. He's always so considerate of his students, thank you!

**ROBIN SOVINE** 

Robin Sovine is the sweetest teacher that I believe that I will ever meet, she is caring and showed me my true potential in such a fun way! I will always see Mrs. Sovine as one of the biggest role models in my life. I enjoyed every minute of her class as well as her amazing sense of humor, and whenever I'd walk into her class, I'd feel welcomed and safe. Thank you, Mrs. Sovine for being one of the best teachers in Shakopee's school district!

JACK ZIRKLE

Never fails to make me laugh each day.

**BRUCE FINKE** 

Mr. Finke is one of the most amazing teachers I've ever had and I've learned so much this year from him. I thank him for being the best teacher ever! I hope many more students get to have him as a teacher. He brings a smile to my face whenever I walk in his door. I also thank him for making so many new and fun memories with me!

TIM GIRDNER

Mr. Girdner is so kind and funny which makes him very fun and enjoyable to be around! No matter what kind of day I'm having if I walk in those doors he is sure to make me smile and laugh! He is such a fantastic teacher! Thank you, Mr. Girdner!

**BRUCE FINKE** 

He cool.

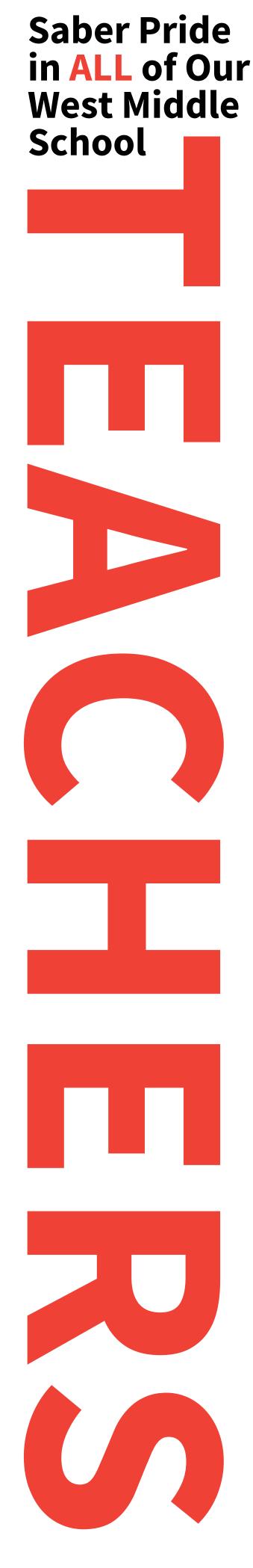
**BRUCE FINKE** 

You're a great teacher and I love how you let us laugh and learn.

GARY BUTLER

Gary loves what he does and truly cares about his students! He motivated our son L and encouraged him to step outside of his comfort zone to try out for Saber Singers and the musical. He helped to foster a love of music and the arts! Congratulations on your retirement and you will be missed Gary!!!





Mrs. Sovine is so kind and loving, she makes all her kids feel welcome! She is always willing to help her kids improve and grow. Mrs. Sovine has so many books and loves to talk with **ROBIN SOVINE** poeple about them! I always look forward to going to Mrs. Sovine's classroom! He's really kind and easy to talk to **BRUCE FINKE** Thanks for Encouraging me to complete my goals and fulfill my opportunities to reach **JACK ZIRKLE** success! Your a great teacher and I look forward to the rest of the school year in your class. He is a great teacher and makes it fun to learn in his class. His teaching style makes the class **JACK ZIRKLE** fun and also teaches us the history of our country. **BRUCE FINKE** 

Mr. Finke is a wonderful teacher who will great me with a smile everyday and greets all his students the same way. He has helped me write better and gives me tips on how to make my writings even better, and has the best timers for independent reading time, and is just a amazing teacher.

Thank you for being a teacher that truly listens to the students whether about school or life in general! My daughter doesn't tell me much about school but when she does it's typically about your class and what you talked about or a fun story you told! That means a lot to them so thanks for all you do!

Mrs. Laughlin is an amazing teacher who cares about her students, she also explains things very well and she is very patient and is always very happy to answer any students question.

Thank you for all of your patience and creativity for kids who see the world differently! You SPECIAL ED TEACHERS are SO needed and appreciated!

> Congratulations on your award, so deserved!! In the classroom and Student Council, you are such an asset!

He is so nice and understands a lot about everyone. He helps me become a greater student and gives me directions if I'm lost or in need of help. He is one of the top 3 teachers I every had, maybe even the best. He makes me want to come to school and I also get exited when I'm in his class.



**MARY THOM** 

**EMILY LAUGHLIN** 

**KATIE ERDALL** 

**BRUCE FINKE** 

