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Nomination Form

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Date Submitted: 3/23/2012

Nominee: Gayle Marshall

Campus/Department: Walker Creek Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
Gayle has been able to use one iPad with her struggling math students to make a breakthrough with a student. The student struggled with solving simple subtraction problems even when using counting manipulatives or drawing out the problem on paper. Gayle worked with the classroom teacher and the student to progress the student from solving single-digit computations to two- and three-digit computations. For this student, Gayle and the iPad were the vital link that facilitated this break-through in learning.
Date Submitted:  3/20/2012

Nominee:  Kimberly Holbrook & her Fifth Grade Class

Campus/Department:  Watauga Elementary

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
I was asked to read to Mrs. Holbrook's fifth grade class as a part of World Read Aloud Day before spring break. I shared a book with the class that I had not yet finished reading. I told them that I had lost the book when my house burned in August, and it was one that I intended to replace as a part of my home library. The students bought me a copy of the book to help me rebuild my library and all of them signed it. In fact, another student and his mother sent a second book for my library. I wanted to thank all of them for their compassion and generosity.
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Nominee:  Maria Rivas

Campus/Department:  North Oaks Middle School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
Keeping an older campus clean requires hard work and a willingness to go beyond typical expectations. Maria Rivas does just that. North Oaks is a place that students and faculty can be proud of because of Maria's insistence that mediocre isn't acceptable. Thank you Maria for taking your responsibility at North Oaks so seriously. You are appreciated!
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**Nominee:** *Meg Fulkerson*

**Campus/Department:** *North Ridge Middle School*

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
Meagan Fulkerson is a first year teacher at North Ridge Middle School. She has approached the job with vigor and determination, spending countless hours creating engaging lessons for her students. Great to have you here, Meg!
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Nominee: Lexy Smith

Campus/Department: North Ridge Middle School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
She is an amazing teacher. My daughter used to struggle in math. This year - everyday she comes home and talks about Ms. Smith. How patient, kind, considerate, encouraging, and simply put just amazing. She is so good at what she does because she teaches from her heart and soul. Her passion is unbelievable!! I appreciate her and what she does as it has impacted my daughter's life, for the rest of her life. Thank you, Ms. Smith, for making my daughter a better person through your love, compassion and teaching!!!
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Date Submitted: 3/21/2012

Nominee: Thomas Lane

Campus/Department: Watauga Middle School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
We had the good fortune to do a walkthrough in Mr. Lane's 7th grade science class this morning, and it was indeed a treat. The way in which he interacted with the students clearly indicated the close relationship he has built with each one of them. Students were quickly engaged in learning with the questions he asked and the anecdotal comments he made to spur their interest. BISD is blessed to have teachers like Thomas Lane leading learners at WMS!
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**Date Submitted:** 3/6/2012

**Nominee:** *Cathy Plum*

**Campus/Department:** *Watauga Middle School*

**Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:**
I must take out some of my time and your time to send this compliment. My daughter has attended Watauga Middle School for three years now and I have always noticed in the front office, the secretary, Ms. Plum. She's usually swamped and multi-tasking, yet prompt and addresses our needs immediately. She is thorough, fast, and seems to know every single student by name in the entire school. The times I've been in the office or had to wait for my daughter I have been amazed by watching her work. Most recently I was in the office, waiting for my daughter once again, and overheard a young boy reporting to her that he had made good grades the last six weeks. She said "well, bring me your report card and let me see!" I was moved by this, because it's apparent they have spoken of his grades in the past, and she had set some goals with him to succeed as well as a reward in doing so. It really touched my heart how she goes above and beyond her "duties" as an office secretary and gives encouragement to students that may not get it anywhere else. The pride Ms. Plum takes in her job duties and the passion she has for the students, really stands out and she should be recognized for this. I have only seen very short, small glimpses of her characteristics and they are very, very special! Watauga Middle School is extremely lucky to have her on the staff and the students are blessed to have her support, encouragement, and mentorship! We will truly miss her next year as we start the journey to Haltom High School, and have been impressed by the entire staff at the Middle School.
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Date Submitted: 3/26/2012

Nominee: Amy Allibon

Campus/Department: Birdville High School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
I attended the Vocal Ease show this past weekend. It is always a thrill to watch the performances of kids who have worked so hard under the direction of devoted instructors. Once again these ladies have demonstrated more than just a touch of class. They are overflowing with it. The impact and influence they had on my daughter when she attended BHS was incredible.
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Nominee: Peggy Graff

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Date Submitted: 3/22/2012

Nominee: Carmel Valerio

Campus/Department: Birdville High School

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
Carmel is an exceptional human being. She is a conscientious worker, but above all she is the kindest, most thoughtful person I have ever met. She always has kind words and compliments for the people she encounters. She is considerate of others' time and space and I have been blessed to get to meet her, talk with her, share ideas and work with her at Birdville High School.
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Date Submitted: 3/2/2012

Nominee: Jackie Brown

Campus/Department: Shannon Learning Center

Tell us how this person has positively touched the life of you or your child:
Jackie, Candy and Maria are simply the best ladies to work up here in the Shannon's cafeteria. They always have a smile to share with everyone. They make every person that goes through the line feel special by knowing their names and asking how they are. No matter what, they do their best to make the day better and they really do care. We are so lucky to have them here as part of the Shannon team.
Date Submitted: 3/2/2012

Nominee: Candy Edmonson

Campus/Department: Shannon Learning Center

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Nominee: Maria Lomeli

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