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Teacher Appreciation Day

We know you're busy with wrapping up the end of the school year. Please don't forget to send in your pictures and videos of Teacher Appreciation Day activities. It is one of our most important days. We know fun and honoring things took place on this day.

Please use phanfare to share them with us and your community.



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Support Staff Appreciation Celebrations

Support Staff Appreciation Day with the Under the Sea theme was a great success. The bright-colored pictures show all the great festivities honoring these special employees. Without the hard work and dedication of the Support Staff in our schools, we would be lost at sea and dead in the water. They are pearls beyond measure. Below are statements from the coordinator from each school about the special day.

Anderson County. Click [here](#) to view the system page.

Anderson County Career & Tech - Today on Administrative Professional's Day, the staff at ACCTC honored Donna Hopper secretary and Tammy McCreary bookkeeper, by treating them to lunch. They also gave flowers and cards signed by the staff. It was very nice and we were very appreciative. We have the best staff in my opinion in the county. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Clinton High School - We combined Special Areas Appreciation with Support Staff Appreciation. My co-workers appreciate cake, so we purchased a cookies and cream cake, and had "You're the Best" written on it,

because our staff is the best! Students also made signs for the staff members involved, and tried to tailor the messages to match the staff member's job. The staff was excited about the cake, and enjoyed the creative signs. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Lake City Elementary - Students made thank you letters for each support staff member. Students from every grade level wrote letters to the educational assistants that work with their grade level, the Library assistant, the school nurse, the secretaries, the SRO, and the interventionists expressing their appreciation for all that they do for our school. Individual classes also made special cards, posters, etc. for the support staff members. They were given brightly colored tote bags, treated to a special breakfast provided by the school. A special assembly program was also written and performed by 4th and 5th grade students and our music teacher. This was presented to the entire school. The support staff members were given a standing ovation before and after the program and they enjoyed the program from the stage. Students said thank you to the support staff members as they saw them in the hallway. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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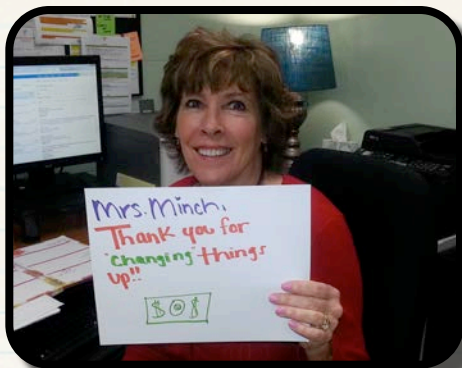
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"Fishally" Showing Appreciation to Support Staff

Benton County. Click [here](#) to view the system page.

Briarwood Elementary - Students created a treasure chest for each lady. They painted them, accented them with jewels, made handles, and a special key hole. They even personalized each one. Students in the school (A-Team, G-Force, and classes) brought in items to place inside that special treasure chest. Each treasure was different BUT very personal. It was a blast! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Camden Elementary - Our Support Staff Appreciation Day was a tidal wave of fun! Classes made treasure chest full of thanks, wrote letters of appreciation, made posters and created fish decorations. Our A-Team made announcements during a school program and over the intercom. Our Support Staff was treated to a delicious luncheon of crab dip & chips, crab-filled croissants, tuna sandwiches, and a monstrous chocolate chip pudding cake decorated with an "Under the Sea" theme. Students entertained them with song (even though there was a

technology problem with the website). Their treats included decorated water bottles, a bag of goldfish, candy bars, and a pen. The pre-school also treated their assistants with hand lotion, hand soap, leis, and cookies decorated with fish smores, blue icing and sprinkles. One of our Support Staff commented, "I feel like a mermaid being showered with treasures!" Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Camden Junior High - Camden Jr. High A-Team students honored the Support Staff members with homemade cards from homerooms, candy bars and gift cards. The students wanted every Support Staff member to know how much they appreciate their hard work and dedication. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Career & Technical Center - "Treasure Chests" were given to our secretary Ms. Reba Robins and Assistant Mrs. Jennifer Pierpoint. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Holladay School - Students made cards and gift bags for the support staff. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Support Staff Celebrations

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Carter's Valley Elementary -
We honored our Support Staff members with a festive luncheon complete with bright colored goodie bags. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Cherokee High School -
Cherokee's A-Team honored our Support Staff by having a special "under the sea" lunch for them. We have an amazing support staff who give so much of themselves, so we brought them in "submarine" sandwiches, clams, goldfish, ocean water, and more! We decorated the walls of our school and our with special ocean themed posters. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Church Hill Elementary - Our wonderful Support Staff was treated to a meal at Rush Street. Upon returning to school they had a table of desserts waiting for them to eat to their hearts content. Also, each

one of them were given a beach towel and flip flops to be ready for Under the Sea! We have the BEST Support Staff any school could have! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Church Hill Intermediate -
We celebrated our Support Staff "Under the Sea" style with an ocean luncheon complete with "sub" sandwiches, "ocean potion" punch, umbrella cupcakes, and all sorts of other "sea" sides. Each assistant was presented with a bucket of treasure. We love our assistants and hope they enjoyed their day! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Church Hill Middle School -
Our Administrative and Instructional Staff were treated with biscuits for breakfast and sandwich tray and cake for lunch. There were also appreciation signs made and a special handmade gift for each of our ladies. CHMS support staff had a very special day! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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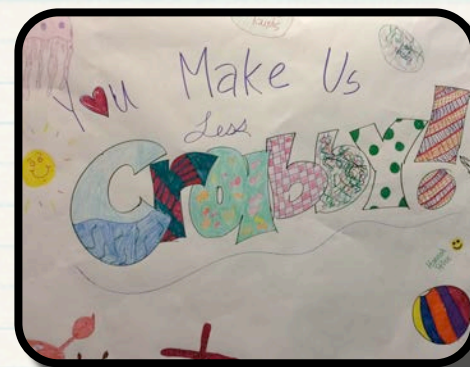
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Hawkins County Celebrating Support Staff

Clinch School - Kristen Davenport took on the appreciation day this time. She recruited some great help. Mrs. Regina, school nurse and Ms. Angie, school custodian along with some of our 12th grade had the school make decorations and write thank you notes. Snacks were provided with things such as pool water, sea cucumbers, oyster crackers, fish and chips, bait, and other items that were named catchy names. Mrs. Regina received a donation from Food City for a cake. Faculty and staff provided snacks that filled a sand bucket. Kids in k through 12 participated in a video for the girls being appreciated. Also, money from coworkers was donated to provide lunch from Roma's. It was a great day "Under the Sea" at Clinch School. Every mermaid wore a smile and there were even several giggles that could be heard coming from the workroom! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Hawkins Elementary - For our assistant's appreciation day, the students made them cards. They didn't have to do lunch duty for the day, and they got to go out and eat together. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Joseph Rogers Primary - For Support Staff Appreciation Day JRP students created a "Thank You" banner and artwork. Students presented the staff with a special made t-Shirt and read a skit from the UTrust site during announcements. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Keplar Elementary - For Support Staff Day, the staff members received a basket full of goodies (beach towel, fan, cup, and bottled water). They were treated to a day on the town with lunch and a great time. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

McPheeter's Bend Elementary School - We celebrated Assistant appreciation with our SRO and Our nurse as well. The A-Team made an "ocean" in the hall decorating it with ocean creature still life. We had a celebration, gifting each and every one of them with some very special letters from the students and a dolphin necklace...Great Fun! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Hawkins County Honors Support Staff

Mooreburg Elementary - We celebrated Teacher Assistant Appreciation Day at Mooreburg Elem. School by providing all our assistants with a lunch at the Green Tomato Grill. The A-Team students made special Under the Sea themed bags for them with thank you notes inside. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Mt. Carmel Elementary - MCES celebrated our Treasured Support Staff. We began our day honoring our mermaids in a school wide assembly. Each of our ladies received her "legs" for a day. The A-Team paid for them to wear their jeans the following day on HCEA Denim Dollars for Scholars day in appreciation for all they do for us. The students created Under the Sea themed banners and displayed them by each person's door. The lovely mermaids were served a meal under the sea and were given a break from their typical lunch duty. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Pathways Alternative - The teachers and students made posters and decorated the room. They served biscuits and gravy, sausage, scrambled

eggs, doughnuts, mounds cake, orange juice and apple juice. The students wrote Thank You letters and also personally expressed appreciation to each honoree. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

St. Clair Elementary - St. Clair Elementary is thrilled with our support staff. They work so hard every day! We showed them appreciation by decorating our halls with fish themed letters written by our students. Each of our support staff received a themed gift basket full of goodies. We also provided them with a delicious lunch to celebrate! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Volunteer High School - We celebrated Support Staff Appreciation Day by providing our paraprofessionals with a treasure chest lunch. In conjunction with Administrative Assistants Day, our data clerks, secretaries and bookkeeper were taken to Riverfront restaurant in a stretch limo. We love and appreciate our hardworking support staff! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Sumner County Celebrates Support Staff Day

Sumner County. Click [here](#) to view the system page.

Lakeside Park Elementary -

We created fish out of water bottles to hold thank you notes for the staff members. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

North Sumner Elementary -

This month we honored our Support Staff with the theme "Under the Sea". We made a bulletin board with a life preserver on it with the heading Saving Our School. We placed each person's picture around the life preserver and had bubbles in the background. As a treat for the honorees, we bought each of them a bottle of water and a package of Goldfish crackers. All of the classroom teachers were asked to make Thank You Cards from their students as well. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Station Camp Elementary - At Station Camp, we wanted to give a celebration to remember for Support Staff Appreciation Day. We

have so many support staff members that work so very hard. We were excited to celebrate this day. Chic-Fil-A donated chicken biscuits and fruit. Others provided mini cinnamon buns and juices for a breakfast in their honor. The A-Team students decorated our art room in an Under the Sea theme. They created posters, table cloths, and treasure chests filled with goldfish and snacks for each of our staff members to take. We topped the tables with our "loot" of gems, rings and gold coins. Our A-Team students met before and after school to prepare the decorations and practice their program. Some of our A-Team members prepared invitations for our program. Others prepared a song and dance and prepared jokes with a sea theme. They presented our staff members with a song/dance and jokes that went with our theme for entertainment throughout the morning. Everyone seemed overjoyed to have such a special and fun morning. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Diving Deep to Show Appreciation to their Support Staff

Hollow Rock-Bruceton. Click [here](#) to view the system page.

Here is a message to the support staff: What would I give to live where you are?/What would I pay to stay here beside you?/What would I do to see you smiling at me?/Where would we walk?/Where would we run?/If we could stay all day in the sun;/Just you and me;/And, could I be PART of YOUR WORLD? We are so thankful at Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School District to have such a wonderful Support Staff in our part of the world! Thank you for all that you do!!! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Jackson County. Click [here](#) to view the system page.

Dodson Branch Elementary - We had a great time celebrating our Support Staff! We have an awesome group of women that work so hard. Sometimes those little things go unrecognized, but this day was a chance to show them just how much we do appreciate them. We had a

nice luncheon for these wonderful ladies. Some of our appreciation team even dressed up to help serve them lunch. Without these wonderful ladies our school of fish would be lost! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Putnam County. Click [here](#) to view the system page.

Baxter Elementary - We have celebrated our support staff in a variety of ways. Each grade level k-4 are doing different things to show their assistants how special they are. Activities range from gift cards, art activities with thank you messages, bulletin boards throughout the school, songs being sung to them, and other ideas. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Jere Whitson Elementary - We honored our staff members with a fun dessert bar with sundaes and gift bags that say "You Rock!" Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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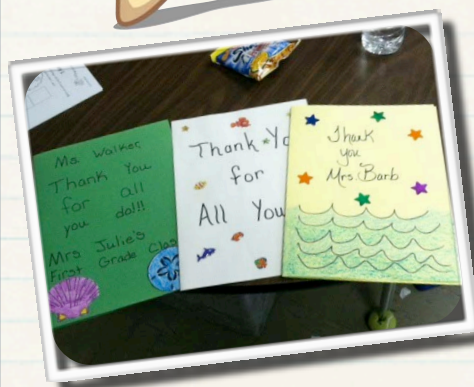
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Congratulations to North Sumner Elementary in Sumner County for being the winner of the Lucky Star Random Drawing for Support Staff Day. \$100 goes to their A-Team to be used in great ways!

Remember, all you have to do to enter is submit at least 5 photos and a short, detailed summary after each appreciation day. You may win \$100 for your A-Team.

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