



Pictured above: Dr. Dan Powell, Heartbeat winner William Addo, Special Education Director Elisa Fisher, Employee Services Chief Dr. Theresa Kohler, Principal Michelle McCone



William Addo Wins Crowley ISD Heartbeat Team Award

William Addo, a special education instructional aide at Dallas Park Elementary School, has been selected as the Crowley ISD Heartbeat Team Award winner for October. Originally from Ghana where he was an engineer, Mr. Addo has been at Dallas Park for three years and is known and loved across the campus.

“He has developed such a positive relationship with all of our students and serves as an outstanding professional male role model for our young scholars,” said Principal Michelle McCone. “He gladly mentors students and is always there to lend a helping hand to help calm a child in a crisis or in need.”

“He’s dependable and never loses his cool with a student,” wrote one Dallas Park educator. “Mr. Addo is known around campus as the ‘child whisperer’ because he can help calm any child having a rough day.”

Mr. Addo brings a wealth of experience to Dallas Park. He is fluent in four languages, holds a chemical engineering degree, and even attended culinary school. Recently, he obtained his Texas teacher certification and has aspirations to become a classroom teacher.

“We just know he will be an amazing classroom teacher and can’t wait to see all the great things he will accomplish,” said Mrs. McCone.

Staff members at Dallas Park say Mr. Addo tries to memorize every child’s name in school. You can find him jumping rope with kids in PE, making them laugh in the cafeteria, playing football or basketball with them at recess, and fully engaging them in conversation while walking them to their cars at dismissal.

Mr. Addo has also used the school garden to help build positive character qualities of responsibility and accountability in students.

“He exudes calmness and sunshine in all he says and does every day with every person he meets,” said Mrs. McCone. “Mr. Addo is an amazing example of what makes Dallas Park and CISD a great place to be.

The Heartbeat Team Award is sponsored in part by Crowley ISD community partners [EECU](#) and [Inspire Salon/Spa](#). Mr. Addo received a \$50 Visa gift card courtesy of EECU and a spa gift card for a custom facial courtesy of Inspire Salon/Spa.

William Addo will be recognized at the Crowley ISD Board of Trustees meeting on Thursday, October 29.