



Memorandum

To: Board of Education
CC: Dr. Debbie Jones, Superintendent
From: Leslee Wright, Director of Communications
Date: August 18, 2020
RE: Extra Mile Recognition

Bentonville Schools will celebrate Rebecca Camarigg Tuesday, August 18, as our August Extra Mile Award recipient. Rebecca is employed in the role of Post-Secondary Coordinator at Bentonville West High School. Her nomination comes via Priya Thelapurath, a recent BWHS graduate and current Harvard University student. In her nomination, Priya shared how Ms. Camarigg personally guided her through the overwhelming college admissions process but also made significant contributions in areas outside of academics. Priya added Ms. Camarigg makes herself available to all seniors navigating troubled waters at home or school. She is a steadying force in turbulent times who listens without judgment and relays ethical advice. Priya proudly describes Ms. Camarigg as a role model and confidante.

Those who know her will easily add Rebecca isn't afraid to get her hands dirty. She's in the trenches, making sure graduation chairs are lined evenly in the hot summer sun and securing ties or properly fitting shoes for a senior to wear. Last month, Rebecca realized a 2020 graduate had arrived alone to his commencement. Rebecca jumped in as a one woman cheering section and took a family photo with our senior. She does it all while caring for her own young family and with a wicked sense of humor to lighten the relentless workload. We're proud of our friend and look forward to celebrating her with the esteemed Bentonville Schools Board of Education.

About the Extra Mile Award

Any individual may nominate a Bentonville Schools employee by going to our [website](#). Nominations will be considered by administration and that employee's direct supervisor. Nomination rules and regulations will be posted on the website prior to the start of the nomination process.