



Memorandum

To: Board of Education
CC: Dr. Debbie Jones, Superintendent
From: Leslee Wright, Director of Communications
Date: September 15, 2020
RE: Extra Mile Recognition

Bentonville Schools will celebrate Kari Hale and Dee Thomas as the recipients of the Extra Mile Service Award for September. This smart and sassy duo was nominated by multiple district employees for their commitment to teachers in this unprecedented time. Kari and Dee have walked teachers through one online process after the next to make sure they're set up for success. Since March, these ladies have worked long days.....well past any 8:00 to 5:00 arrangement.....to make sure teachers could quickly transition online to serve students and they've done so with patience and positivity. Whether showing a new professional development tool for the first time or the sixth time, they've remained committed to the digital transformation we've all experienced at some level. Their goal remains a seamless educational experience for our students, teachers and parents.

Please join us in appreciating Kari and Dee for going the Extra Mile this month and every month.

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.