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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are excited to introduce our **Student of the Month** Program, a new way for us to celebrate and recognize students in Preschool through 6th Grade who consistently demonstrate positive character, responsibility, personal growth, and a commitment to learning.

Each month, from October through May, two students will be recognized at a Board of Education Meeting - one student from Preschool through 2nd Grade and one student from 3rd through 6th Grade.

Students may be recognized for demonstrating qualities that are important to our school community, including:

- Showing good character and being a positive member of our school community
- Putting forth consistent effort and being willing to learn
- Following school and classroom expectations
- Treating others with kindness and respect
- Attending school regularly and arriving on time
- Showing personal growth and progress

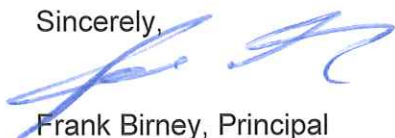
Each teacher will have the opportunity to nominate one student each month. Teachers will consider a student's overall behavior, effort, growth, and the ways they demonstrate our core values: **Be Respectful. Be Responsible. Be Safe. Be Kind. Be Ready to Learn.**

Our goal is to make this recognition meaningful and fair for all students. In general, students will receive the **Student of the Month** award no more than once during the school year.

We also want to make clear that this recognition is not based only on academic achievement. We recognize that every student grows in different ways, and we value effort, character, improvement, and the positive contributions students make to our school community. Every student has the opportunity to be recognized for the positive choices they make and the progress they show throughout the year.

We look forward to celebrating our students and all the ways they help make our school a welcoming and positive place to learn and grow. Thank you for partnering with us and encouraging your child to **Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe, Be Kind, and Be Ready to Learn!**

Sincerely,



Frank Birney, Principal