



## Memorandum

To: Board of Education  
CC: Dr. Debbie Jones, Superintendent  
From: Leslee Wright, Director of Communications  
RE: Extra Mile Service Award  
Date: May 17, 2022

Our May Extra Mile Award recipient has committed 31 years of her life to Bentonville Schools: eight at Sugar Creek Elementary and more than two decades in our technology division. Betsy Batey will retire next month to spend more time with family but not before being recognized by the Bentonville Schools Board of Education with this honor.

Betsy was nominated for the Extra Mile Award by Brittany Fleming, a library media specialist at R.E. Baker Elementary. In her nomination Brittany wrote Betsy has been the go-to for a myriad of issues. Whether trouble shooting technology or facilitating library PLCs, she says Betsy is always happy to help. More than that, Brittany wrote, "No matter what, Betsy has a welcoming smile and I always feel special in her presence." Maya Angelou beautifully said, "People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." We applaud Betsy for going the Extra Mile to make colleagues, students and parents feel valued in a hustle and bustle world.

Please join us in congratulating Betsy for a phenomenal career.

### **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.