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MEET THE May 2024 Winners



**Dunbar Middle School
Leadership Team**

Thank you to:

Brandi Petersen, Principal
Jillian Callaway, Asst. Principal
Darlisha Smith, Counselor
Holly Brown, Librarian,
Chanel John, Administrative Asst.

In the spirit of recognizing excellence within our educational institutions, it is with great pride that we celebrate the exceptional leadership and dedication of the Dunbar Middle School (DMS) Leadership Team. The notable mentions inspire this commendation in a parent email to the Superintendent and a post on social media. The team, comprising Brandi Peterson (Principal), Jillian Callaway (Assistant Principal), Darlisha Smith (Counselor), Holley Brown (Librarian), and Chanel John (Administrative Assistant), has collectively fostered an environment where students thrive not just academically but in all aspects of their development.

The parent nomination highlighted in an email underscores DMS's profound impact on its students. The leadership team's innovative approaches to encourage learning, behavior, and attendance—from fun school dances to rewarding good behavior with special lunches—have significantly enhanced students' eagerness to attend school. Such initiatives have instilled a sense of belonging and excitement among students, showcasing the leadership team's commitment to creating an engaging and supportive learning environment.

Holley Brown, the school's librarian, epitomizes the spirit of going above and beyond for the welfare of the students. Her act of kindness—giving up her shoes to a student in need to save them from embarrassment—highlights the empathy and compassion deep within the DMS staff. This gesture is a testament to the supportive and nurturing environment the leadership team strives to maintain, ensuring that every student feels valued and respected.

The Dunbar Middle School Leadership Team's dedication to fostering an inclusive, nurturing, and motivating atmosphere is genuinely commendable. Through their innovative leadership and compassionate actions, they have enriched their students' educational experience and set an exemplary standard for others to follow. Their efforts remind us of the profound impact educators and school staff can have on the lives of young learners, shaping not just academic success but also fostering resilience, kindness, and a love for learning that lasts a lifetime.