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Dear Colleagues:

The Tewksbury Township Board of Education (BOE) is piloting an important staff recognition program meant to publicly acknowledge and thank our devoted and highly qualified team.

Our greatest assets as a district are the teachers, support staff and administration. The BOE intends to recognize individuals who foster a positive learning environment, demonstrate strong educational results, or in some way make significant contributions to the district. Submissions may come from anyone in our educational community, self-nominations, peers, families or students. Special consideration will be given to staff members who have made an impact on our strategic planning objectives and their related action plans. The plan can be accessed at <http://www.tewksburyschools.org/domain/243>. Our strategic plan is centered on:

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Technology Infusion and Integration
- Community Engagement – Climate and Culture
- Professional Development
- Finance Facilities and Advocacy

All district personnel are eligible! Nominations for staff recognition will be reviewed on a monthly basis and the deadline for nominations will be the last day of each month. Award recipients will be selected at the next scheduled Board of Education meeting. All recipients and their accomplishments will be publicized on our website, in our district newsletter and in the local press. They will also be recognized at a subsequent Board of Education meeting.

Our goal is that this award showcases our exceptional faculty and staff, advances our mission and unites our community around this collective mission:

*The mission of the Tewksbury School District is the continual development of each child's intellectual, artistic, social, and physical abilities in a positive environment, which fosters self-esteem and a love of learning while meeting the district expectation that they will achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards (NJCCCS) at all grade levels. Pupils in the Tewksbury Township Public Schools will be confident, productive members of a changing society.*

Nominations should be submitted electronically through the following link which can also be found on the district website.

[https://docs.google.com/a/tewksburyschools.org/forms/d/1KC\\_NYzT7W4IPHNjKPN-ZvEhXk\\_iIHMxqC9xV0OyMEis/edit](https://docs.google.com/a/tewksburyschools.org/forms/d/1KC_NYzT7W4IPHNjKPN-ZvEhXk_iIHMxqC9xV0OyMEis/edit)

We are tremendously excited to launch this special recognition program and hope it will become a long standing tradition. Questions? Please contact Barbara Simcox at 908-439-2010 ext 4224.

Regards,

*Tewksbury Twp Board of Education*