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December 12, 2018

Ms. Laura Henckel, Elementary School Counselor Buchanan Community School District

Ms. Henckel:

We are pleased to inform that you are the December winner of the Buchanan Community Schools Staff Appreciation Program! The process to select a winner for the staff appreciation award consists of:

- 1. Collection of nominee recommendations from parents, students, staff members, community members, and other BCS stakeholders.
- 2. All names of nominees are placed into a drawing; one name is blindly pulled from the envelope to be selected as the winner of the recognition award.
- 3. The winner is then contacted and asked to attend the Board meeting in the month that the selection is made to be presented with a gift, and to be recognized by the Board.

Please accept this notification as an invite to the Board of Education meeting occurring Monday, December 17th, 6:00 pm, at the Buchanan High School's Auditorium. We would like to share before the Board of Education and community the wonderful accolades that were entered on your behalf and present you with a gift. Contact the Office of the Superintendent by dialing ext. #20002, email drussell@buchananschools.com, or stop by to visit us no later than Friday, December 14th, to confirm your attendance at the Board meeting.

Below is the question and response that was submitted.

What do you appreciate about this person's efforts to make BCS a great place to learn and a great place to work? Please provide as much detail as you wish so we can show our appreciation to this outstanding Buck!

We are so fortunate to have Laura Henckel service our Little Bucks as the elementary counselor. Her caring mannerisms and the way she connects with staff and students is beyond words. She creates a personal plan for each child's needs and continues to follow up until she knows the child feels safe and secure. Students LOVE Mrs. Henckel!! They love her humorous personality and contagious smile! I am extremely thankful to have her part of Team Moccasin.

-Stacey Denison

On behalf of the Board of Education and Administration of Buchanan Community Schools, we thank you for your service and encourage you to keep up the great level of achievement and service to our district.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Donahue, Ed.S. Superintendent of Schools