Yusuf Mohamud
Employee of the Month – March 2021

Mr. Yusuf Mohamud is a dedicated staff leader within our Hayes school community. His role encompasses many different things, and he balances his vast responsibilities with calmness and grace. Yusuf serves our scholars well, as a mentor, a teacher, and someone they can count on for outrageous love when they need it most. He is always kind and positive in his interactions and has a unique way of making all he interacts with feel valued, heard, and safe. In addition to working with our scholars, Yusuf is also a teacher of our staff. He facilitates learning opportunities for us to grow in our personal and professional journey with equity and inclusion. He is mindful of his approach in entering courageous conversations and pushes us as staff, to think critically about the decisions we make each day to serve our scholars well. All in all, our community is thankful for the gifts Yusuf brings to our community each day. For these reasons, he has been awarded Fridley's District Employee of the Month.

- Gaeli Iverson, Principal at Hayes Elementary School

Jason Bruns
Employee of the Month – April 2021

Congratulations to Jason Bruns, our Employee of the Month for April! Jason has served as a custodian at Fridley High School for one school year. Jason is hard-working, patient, calm, and collaborative. In addition, he is positive about his daily work, and is willing to help out wherever needed. As one staff member states, "Jason's positive energy and can do attitude gets jobs done efficiently, effectively, and even with a mask, he does it with a smile. He is here bright and early in the morning and can be seen at the end of the day with the same smile. He understands the balance and demands of the job, clearly asks questions to ensure the job can be completed correctly; he is knowledgeable, and his integrity is in his work." We are lucky to have Jason as a member of our team and congratulate him on the honor of Employee of the Month!

- Patty Hand, Principal at Fridley High School