

**Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB)
Boardsmanship Awards**

The Association of Alaska School Boards recognizes its members through their annual conference in November through their Carl Rose leadership program for school board members. This program includes three levels of boardsmanship: Basic, Experienced, and Master. At each level, members participate in training academies, online training webinars, annual conference workshops, Legislative Fly-ins, in-district workshops, and NSBA's national conference. These activities may include: testifying, presenting, representing your District in conferences, becoming a committee member in various settings, and/or holding a leadership position on our local Board. Each level demonstrates the growth every member has attained in becoming an impactful leader on the Board, for the betterment of the District and its students. As such, I would like to congratulate Nancy Rock and Madeline Hickman for earning the Basic Boardsmanship Award and Qaiyaan Harcharek for earning the Master Boardsmanship Award.

**Alaska Association for Career & Technical Education
Ronnie Hawley, CTE Teacher of the Year**

Each year, the Alaska Association for Career and Technical Education recognizes the outstanding work of the CTE professionals in Alaska through the annual award nomination process. Nominated by his peers, Ronnie Hawley will be announced as the CTE Teacher of the Year in December and recognized at the February 2021 CTE Directors meeting. This award recognizes career and technical teachers – secondary/postsecondary, who has demonstrated innovation in the classroom, commitment to their students, and dedication to the improvement of CTE in their respective organization and community. Congratulations Mr. Hawley on receiving the CTE Teacher of the Year.

**North Slope Borough School District
Naomi Digitaki, Special Recognition**

Naomi Digitaki joined us a few months ago as our new Human Resources Director. Naomi hails from Hawaii and hit the ground running, assisting in hiring over 40 employees. Naomi has an extensive background in Human Resources, and has been at the helm of many items since she arrived. She is patient, compassionate, fair and has a great sense of humor. She never hesitates to step up and give a hand in employee-related concerns. We have truly enjoyed her positive energy, her kindness, and her willingness to resolve challenges. Naomi has never hesitated to trouble shoot and find solution to every concern that has come her way. She is an integral part of our team and deserves a pat on the back. We know that times have been challenging with Covid19 as one of our main challenges, and she has always been the first to find great solutions for any employee's questions and concerns. Way to go, Naomi! We appreciate all you do for all the employees of the NSBSD!

**North Slope Borough Public Health Nursing
Andrey Boskhomdz, Coordinator**

The NSBSD would like to recognize Andrey Boskhomdz, RN, with the North Slope Borough PHN Program, as Coordinator, for his diligent and thorough work with us during the pandemic. He has been thoughtful, following HIPPA regulation, in giving sites current and accurate information. Each site has a COVID-19 Response team that addresses cases and makes decisions to move from one level of risk to another based on this information that Andrey shares with them. It has allowed for a smooth transition between levels of risk and also peace of mind for our employees as they make pertinent decisions. We applaud his diligence, compassion, and consistency during the Covid19 pandemic.