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January 29, 2026

Dear East Lansing Board of Education,

I wanted to reach out to thank you all for your service on the East Lansing School Board. I'm sure that serving as part of the Board of Education is a huge time commitment, and your dedication does not go unnoticed. January is School Board Appreciation month and I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know how much I appreciate you and your colleagues and all the work that you do for our community.

Please feel free to reach out to my office if there is ever anything we can be of assistance with. We would love to prepare and present tributes to any current or exiting School board members for their outstanding work or any other community members who you believe should be recognized for their contributions to the community. We are also happy to discuss or research any state policy issues that you may like to get more information about.

During my first term in office, I began a teacher of the month program for my district and it has been a huge success! I honor the teachers with a certificate, bring treats for the kids, and tell them about my job at the Capitol, as well as answer any questions they may have about my work as state representative. The nomination form can be found below, and we would love to see more nominations from all the districts.

I plan to engage with the schools in reading month again this year and have fulfilled all teacher and principal requests to participate in other classroom visits with the students. I am always looking for new ways to interact with our schools, so please keep me in mind if you have any ideas!

Thank you again for everything you do. I truly appreciate you.

Sincerely,

Penelope Tsernoglou
State Representative
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Teacher of the Month program: <https://forms.gle/ZgPayXnTgV6N134S6>