

The Golden Apple Award

Livonia Public Schools Nomination Form

The purpose of the Golden Apple Award is to recognize an outstanding contribution of time, talent and effort in support of the students, parents and staff of Livonia Public Schools. Some qualities of a nominee may include: a positive attitude, dedication, dependability, self-motivation, helpfulness, etc. Please fill in the areas below with your thoughts supporting a Golden Apple Award for your nominee.

Name of Nominee: DAVE BEKKALA

Is a positive representative of the district by (give examples): DAVE IS KIND, PATIENT, HELPFUL AND IS DEDICATED. ALL THE CHILDREN (AND PARENTS) SEEM TO LIKE HIM! HE ALWAYS MAKES TIME IF ANYONE NEEDS

Is a positive role model for others by: ALWAYS SMILING, WILLING TO HELP HIM OUT IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE, HE SEEMS LIKE A GOOD FATHER AND HUSBAND, HAS A POSITIVE ATTITUDE.

Is innovative and seeks new ideas or methods by: HE HAS CREATED A WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT FOR THE CHILDREN. THEY ARE ALWAYS WORKING ON PROJECTS, GROUP ACTIVITIES AND HE

Is self-motivated by: SEEMS TO CHALLENGE THE CHILDREN TO LEARN. NO ONE EVER SEEMS TO BE LEFT OUT.

DAVE REALLY SEEMS TO CARE ABOUT EVERY CHILD. THEY
Other reasons this person is deserving of this award: PRACTICALLY LIVE UP IN THE MORNING TO TALK TO HIM. HE LISTENS TO EACH INTENTLY AND MAKES EVERYONE FEEL SPECIAL.

Nominee's position and work site: SACC PROGRAM, RANDOLPH ELEMENTARY

Nominee's email address: DBEKKALA@LIVONIAPUBLICSCHOOLS.ORG 313-819-6666

Name of nominator: JENNIFER PERRY Phone and email: perryjen@hotmail.com

Are you a (check one): Student LPS employee Parent/Guardian Citizen

Please return this form to: LPS Communications Dept. ~ Attn: Stacy Jenkins

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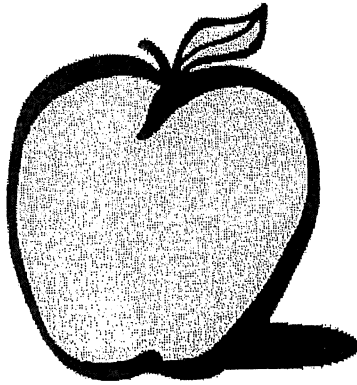
My young daughter Adores Mr. Dave! He is the first person she goes to when we arrive at SACC in the morning. She enjoys telling him about her past evening, her day, new clothes, anything! He listens so patiently and genuinely seems interested. This makes her feel good. I can't wait to see what Summer SACC has to offer.

Mr. Dave also seems to respect each child as an individual. For example, my daughter is sensitive to loud noises. The SACC children worked very hard on their haunted house during Halloween. Whenever my daughter would enter that room, Mr. Dave made sure that the loud music they were playing was turned down so not to upset her. He seems to go out of his way to make each child feel comfortable and like they matter.

Dave is a magnificent representative of the school district!

Most sincerely,

Jennifer Perry



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Supervisor's Checklist

The following person has been nominated for the Livonia Public Schools' Golden Apple Award, which recognizes outstanding contributions of time, talent, or effort in support of the students, parents, and staff of the Livonia Public Schools:

David Bekkala

Please help the selection committee by completing the following:

I, **Jackie Beitz**, agree strongly, agree, disagree, disagree strongly with the above nomination for the LPS Golden Apple Award.

Additional comments: I feel very fortunate to have Dave Bekkala as part of our SACC team. He is a dedicated individual who is extremely effective in providing a positive environment for all children. His work ethic and sincere approach with others has enabled him to develop wonderful relationships with program families and fellow staff members. In my opinion, Mr. Bekkala is the type of person our Livonia community can count on when thinking about creating a "village" atmosphere for our children.

Jackie C. Beitz
Signature of Supervisor

10-7-14
Date

Please email back to: Stacy Jenkins, Communications Department
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