

---

## Lakeview Elementary School

Spencer Okey  
Principal

2025 West 5000 South  
Roy, UT 84067  
(801) 452-4380  
Fax (801) 452-4399

Jenn Giles  
Secretary

Superintendent Buttars and Awards Committee,

09/22/2022

I would like to nominate, and recognize, Jennie Jo Allen for the I Love Teaching Award. Mrs. Allen has taken on the role of a 5th grade teacher this year, which is new for her. Mrs. Allen previously taught 6th grade. She has jumped right into the new curriculum with enthusiasm!

Mrs. Allen has taken many steps to create a learning environment for her students where all of them are comfortable and can learn at high levels. She uses many relational practices to develop strong bonds with her students. The students in her classroom also create strong relationships amongst each other. These strong relationships allow everyone in the classroom to be comfortable and learn at high levels.

Mrs. Allen taught 6th grade for two years in Weber School District and then relocated to another state to support her family. Upon returning to Utah, she hoped to return to WSD, which she did, and taught 6th for a few more years. Mrs. Allen recognized that she could grow as a teacher, and chose to be a 5th grade teacher for this year! She consistently works to improve her skill set and how she can contribute to the profession.

Mrs. Allen collects, and analyzes, data frequently to help inform her decisions regarding her lessons and interventions. She coordinates with her team, colleagues in the school, and even seeks support outside of the school to better herself as a teacher. Her students are so excited to be part of her classroom family and learn from her. She has done this in both 5th and 6th grades in her assignments at Lakeview.

I am excited to recommend Jennie Jo Allen to receive the I Love Teaching Award! Her way of connecting with students is top notch. She guides them through the school year to become confident students and community members. She truly loves teaching and I can wholeheartedly recommend Mrs. Allen for this award!

Sincerely,

Spencer Okey  
Principal, Lakeview Elementary