



March 30, 2023

Dear Dr. Kamerzell:

Ms. Anjala Matalone is a Sunrise Drive Elementary School super volunteer! Ms. Matalone served on the FFO Executive Committee for seven years, and ends this year as one of the amazing co-presidents serving our learning community.

As a volunteer, Ms. Matalone truly exhibits the "Spirit of Sunrise" in her daily interactions with students, staff, and family members. Ms. Matalone leads the Family and Faculty Organization with a student-centered focus as she supports special events, grants, fundraising events, staff appreciation, and daily learning. She has a charming manner which encourages others to join her in the deep devotion to our students, staff, and families which is observed in the talented and committed leadership team and volunteer force that she recruits for Sunrise Drive Elementary School.

Ms. Matalone conquered the challenge presented by the pandemic with a smile and can-do spirit. Together with the leadership team Ms. Matalone worked to reinvent experiences for our students to meet the mitigation protocol as we worked to create a healthy and safe environment for the students and staff. As we opened five days a week for instruction, Ms. Matalone was a leader in securing the support of the learning community with generous donations. Although challenging, Ms. Matalone supported our commitment to providing students with memorable experiences such as downsizing Spiders and Cider to a week of fun games at recess, moving the book fair outside, and meeting remotely as we smiled into cameras. As the pandemic ended, Ms. Matalone led the efforts of the community to return to our festive community-building events and bringing volunteers back to campus, which creates memories for every child.

Making school a wonderful place for all students is at the heart of Ms. Matalone's volunteerism here at Sunrise Drive Elementary School. She is passionate in her support of education and is willing to go the extra mile for our community of learners. Not only is she a super volunteer, Ms. Matalone is a supermom to her three kids: Connor, a seventh grader at Orange Grove Middle School; Chase, a fifth grader at Sunrise Drive Elementary School; and Cole, a future CFSD student.

It is our honor to nominate Ms. Anjala Matalone for the CFSD Super Volunteer Award!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Davidson".

Andrea Davidson

Principal

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carmela Zega".

Carmela Zega

Assistant Principal