



Seagull Spirit!

Neah-Kah-Nie School District No. 56

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To: The Neah-Kah-Nie School Board

Nehalem Elementary School would like to honor Nola Smith as the Neah-Kah-Nie School District Volunteer of the Month. When I spoke to staff to ask who to nominate for this recognition, Nola's name came up right away. Here are some of the wonderful things staff said about her:

- Nola was a volunteer in my class for two years. She came in every week and patiently gave individual spelling tests. She also did other tasks that I asked her to do every week. She helped and supported the kids in whatever way was needed.
- Last year for Christmas she purchased an electric pencil sharpener for my classroom as one of her tasks had been to sharpen pencils (the other sharpener was definitely wearing out!). That sharpener is AMAZING!
- Nola is friendly, kind and such a wonderful asset to NES!
- I miss having her in my classroom! She definitely deserves this award!
- Nola has volunteered multiple years in my classroom. Ever since her oldest entered school she has helped in her daughters' classrooms. She always has a smile, a kind word, and a helping hand for every child.
- Nola has been part of the Art Mom volunteer art program for the past few years. She comes in monthly to help teach all the students their art lessons.
- Nola has been an active part of Parent Council for many years.
- I have Nola's youngest daughter in my class this year so I get to have Nola's patient, smiling help once a week! Thank you, Nola!
- The students really respond to Nola's warm, encouraging assistance during art! We are very thankful to have her work with us to provide such marvelous opportunities for NES students to develop their confidence and creativity.

Thank you, Nola, for giving so much of yourself to Nehalem Elementary. We sure appreciate you!

Kristi Woika, Principal