

Leading Learning Award

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Melissa Monette

"Melissa Monette is one of the ASL interpreters working at Northview Public Schools. In addition to her classroom interpreting duties, she also is responsible for scheduling details. Due to the statewide shortage of certified interpreting staff in K-12 school settings, we often have difficulty covering assignments when interpreters are out sick or in need of time off. Melissa is dedicated to ensuring that each student has the access to communication that they require in the classroom. This usually means juggling staff around (sometimes building to building) to cover assignments yet also trying to make sure that the interpreters get the prep and break time they need to do their job well. She is always supportive and has creative solutions. We would love to see her recognized for her hard work."



Elizabeth Schafer

Elizabeth has always contributed outstanding work and shown great dedication to our school. Her compassion, loyalty, and reliability help the MySchool@Kent program succeed.

Elizabeth shows a genuine concern for the well-being of her students, and she goes out of her way to ensure that each and every one of them feels supported and valued. Her kindness and empathy create a warm and welcoming environment in our classrooms, and it is clear that Elizabeth's students feel safe and cared for under her guidance. She is a reliable and consistent presence in our school, and her colleagues and students alike know they can always count on her. She consistently demonstrates a strong sense of ethics and professionalism in everything she does.

Elizabeth is consistently exceptional. She is a true asset to our school, and we feel privileged to have the opportunity to work with her.