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Staff Name	Location/Role	Why are they a Model Mustang?
Alex McCormack-Kuhman	Massabesic High School/Athletic Director	Alex does an amazing job at commentating the unified games. He calls each player by name and adds a positive and relative comment for them. He gets the spectators into the game. It is a pleasure to listen to him while watching the players.
Allan Morrill	East Building/Operations	I would like to recognize Allan for the positive energy and dedication he brings to our district every single day. Allan is always smiling, always kind, and always willing to jump in and help wherever needed. His pride in his “main base,” the East Building, is obvious in the way he cares for it and speaks about it and everyone in it. In addition to his work there, Allan supports snow removal at two additional off-campus locations and never hesitates to jump on a forklift or tractor when asked. His flexibility, and consistently positive attitude make him an invaluable member of our operations team. We are very fortunate to have him.
Anne Marie Hamlin	Shapleigh Memorial School	Anne Marie is a committed and consistent educator. Her style of teaching holds kids accountable, but in a way that allows them to grow under her guidance. She cares for her students and is always providing them opportunities to show learning in new and exciting ways. She is a support to other teachers and staff. She takes on leadership roles in the district and at school. In addition, she is always furthering her craft and embracing new learning. Shapleigh school is fortunate to have such a dedicated teacher!
Behn Brooks	Central/Facilities	I would like to recognize Behn Brooks for the outstanding leadership and support he brings to our district each day. Behn consistently provides thoughtful advice, steady guidance, and practical solutions whenever challenges arise. His honesty and selflessness make him approachable and trusted by staff at all levels. He leads by example through his hard work and dedication to our schools. He is always willing to step in, support the team, and ensure our buildings and operations run smoothly. Our district is stronger because of his commitment and integrity.

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Denise Moy	East/Operations	I would like to recognize Denise for her outstanding teamwork. On a recent occasion at another building, when extra support was needed, Denise willingly left her main base to assist and contributed in any way she could to help the team. Her selflessness, flexibility, and commitment to supporting her colleagues exemplify the best of our operations team. Denise's willingness to step in wherever needed makes a meaningful difference across our district.
Freddie Grunhuvd	Massabesic High School	We are so fortunate to have such an outstanding new social worker at the high school, Freddie Grunhuvd. From day one, she has jumped in wholeheartedly—building meaningful connections with students, collaborating thoughtfully with staff, and approaching every situation with compassion. Even while acclimating to a new environment, she has gone above and beyond to ensure students feel seen, heard, and supported. Her calm presence, strong communication skills, and genuine care for our school community have already made a lasting impact. We are grateful for the dedication and heart Freddie brings each day.
Garrett Jeskey	Alfred Elementary School	Garrett is incredibly hard working. He keeps AES running safely for students. Garrett makes great connections with the students, volunteers to help wherever he can, and always keeps a positive attitude.
Grace Williams	Waterboro Elementary School	She shows up with a good attitude and gets the job done! Grace shows she cares for students and staff by making their classrooms clean and sanitized.
Heather Tederous	Shapleigh Memorial School	Heather is the grade 2-3 reading teacher at Shapleigh. She consistently goes above and beyond for her learners, and the results are evident in their growth data. Through intentional instruction, thoughtful differentiation, and unwavering belief in her students, she ensures every learner makes meaningful progress. Beyond the classroom, she is a positive and dedicated member of the Shapleigh community. From her contributions on the Sunshine and Kindness Committees to her collaborative spirit with colleagues, she leads with kindness, professionalism, and heart. She truly is a Model Mustang.

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Heather Tederous	Shapleigh Memorial School	Heather brings such joy to Shapleigh! She is a dedicated teacher that always puts her students first! Not only does she build strong relationships with her students, but she always has a moment for her colleagues. I appreciate her positive energy, kindness, and caring nature! We are so lucky to have such a wonderful person at our school!
Jennifer Moulton	Office of Special Services/ Little Mustangs	Jenn starts with the student's perspective and then works on expectations. Students learn independence and appear to feel "seen". Thanks for the example of child-centric instruction, Jenn!
Jessica Galanif	Shapleigh Memorial School	Jesse exemplifies excellence in her role and is truly an inspirational, positive light within our school community. She works tirelessly to support students in their early elementary years, understanding that these foundational experiences shape their long-term success. Jesse consistently goes above and beyond to meet the individual needs of her students with patience, compassion, and high expectations. Her dedication, consistency, and unwavering belief in her students make her an essential part of their growth.
Karen Lizotte	Lyman Elementary School	Karen has consistently demonstrated an unwavering commitment to supporting our school and its educators. Over the years, she has proactively assumed leadership roles in numerous initiatives, both within our school and at the district level. Her dedication is evident through her tireless efforts and contributions, which have significantly benefited our educational community. Karen's involvement with our (MTSS) team has been instrumental in enhancing our ability to meet diverse student needs. Her strategic insights and collaborative approach have driven meaningful progress in this area. Additionally, her leadership in the "One School, One Book" program has fostered a culture of reading and unity, bringing together students, staff, and families in a shared literary experience. Her steadfast dedication to our school and community makes Karen an invaluable asset, and her contributions continue to positively impact our educational environment.

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Kim Rollins	Alfred Elementary School	Kim has supported her students through incredible growth this year. She continues to be a resource staff can go to for ideas, collaboration, and support. We are working in a cohort together on some professional development and she is always taking on a leadership role to guide our group through any task. We are super lucky to have you here at AES!
Kristy LaGrassa	Massabesic Middle School/Special Education	I had the pleasure of seeing Kristy interact with her student at the Winter Special Olympics and I was impressed how her, and her team supported a student. Kristy worked with her student with patience, empathy and encouragement overcoming many hurdles throughout the day. Kudos to Kristy and her team!
Lauren Phelan	Massabesic Middle School	Lauren is kind and caring to all in the building. She has worked with so many families to make sure they have what they need. The students of MMS are lucky to have her!
Leah Richards	Line Elementary School/Principal	Leah has proven that she is an amazing leader in her first year as a principal here at Line. I cannot say enough how she has changed this school for the better. She has boosted staff morale like I haven't seen in a very long time. She does a great job creating positive relationships with our families and students. This school has a different feel this year for sure and for that I think Leah needs to be recognized for her hard work and dedication and what she has done here.
Mark Bryant	Transportation	Mark shows true leadership and steps up to fill a need where it is needed. The past several months Mark not only is our mechanic but he also fills in almost daily as a sub driver to cover drivers that are out and while driving he still answers questions over the radio as to what might be wrong with someone's bus or van. Mark is always willing to help out where ever necessary.
Melissa Brown	Line Elementary School	Ms. Brown is an exceptional teacher. Not only does she go above and beyond for every child in her classroom, but she makes a point to make connections with students outside of her room as well. She is always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone who needs it, and she always does it with a smile on her face. I admire her dedication to her learners, her colleagues, and the profession as a whole!

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Mildred Axelsen	Waterboro Elementary School	Mili is an excellent special education teacher who always puts her students first. She is a great advocate for her students' needs and even seeks out new programs to help her students find success. She is an excellent resource for teachers. She offers practical advice for teachers to help all students succeed in the classroom. We are thrilled to have her here at Waterboro Elementary School.
Norm Bilodeau	Lyman/Substitute Custodian	I would like to recognize Norm for his continued dedication to our district. A retired custodian from Lyman Elementary School, Norm's love for the school is truly unmatched. Even in retirement, he comes in whenever called upon. His strong work ethic and ongoing drive to improve the school operationally speak volumes about his character and commitment. Norm's loyalty and pride in Lyman make a lasting impact, and we are incredibly grateful for his continued support.
Phill Gibson	Operations/Maintenance	I would like to recognize Phill for his outstanding teamwork and initiative. During a recent work order check at a school, Phill noticed a custodian struggling to keep up with their routine and immediately stepped in to help without being asked. That moment reflects who Phill is every day. He is always willing to support any group within the operations team, no questions asked. His proactive attitude, strong work ethic, and team first mindset make a real difference across our district.
Randi Pinette	Shapleigh Memorial School	Randi, you have seamlessly stepped in and become an invaluable support to all areas of our school including our special education team. Your flexibility and willingness to jump in wherever needed does not go unnoticed. You are a strong advocate for student needs, always ensuring that each child is supported, understood, and set up for success. Your sense of humor brings a lightness that benefits both students and staff. You work incredibly hard and approach each day with dedication and teamwork. You make a meaningful difference every single day!

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Robin Tucker-Gahm	Shapleigh Memorial School	Robin, your kindness and consideration shine through in everything you do. You have stepped into a role that is different from your previous experience with openness and professionalism, embracing the learning curve with patience and grace. You approach your day with patience and intention, meeting students where they are and helping them grow academically and socially. Your relationship with the students, flexibility, and genuine care make a significant difference each day.
Samantha Lamb	Massabesic Middle School/Special Education	I had the pleasure of observing Sam work with a student at the special olympics and she worked tirelessly to support him in an environment that was consistently overstimulating, new and busy! Sam never grew tired, and interacted with her students with compassion, empathy and understanding!
Sandy Staples	Transportation	Sandy is a returning bus driver after a career as a fire fighter and EMT. Her vast knowledge, experience and professionalism has been a tremendous asset to transportation.
Shea Fairbanks	Massabesic Middle School	Shea is a positive and outgoing person. He is always encouraging others to do their best and try new things. He is enthusiastic and passionate in his teaching and in the relationships he creates. It has been great to have him join the Massabesic community this year!
Vicki Beaulieu	Lyman/Operations	I would like to recognize Vicki for her exceptional dedication to keeping her school clean and welcoming. Vicki consistently is always looking for ways to improve the building and enhance the environment for students and staff. She is frequently seen out and about, proactively cleaning and maintaining the school with pride and attention to detail. Her commitment and initiative make a real difference every day, and her work is truly appreciated.
Vicki Beaulieu	Lyman Elementary School	Ms. Vicki has become a very important human being in our building. Not only has she made lovely connections with faculty and staff, but she has made very deep connections with the students here. She is identified as a trusted adult by numerous students and I've seen some really beautiful moments where she's been able to de-escalate friends down that are escalated in the halls. She is a key player in our emotional wellness and health and safety here at Lyman Elementary School. Thank you Vicki, from the bottom of my heart.

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Wayne Cilley	Transportation	Wayne recently began providing transportation for a student I support. He has shown such dedication and compassion for this student in the short time that he has known her. He participated fully and enthusiastically in some medical training prior to his work with her and took this opportunity to ask great questions not just about the medical needs, but the students interests as well. After the first van ride home, the parent reported to the school team that Wayne went out of his way to make the ride enjoyable and comfortable for the student. It's clear that Wayne is a dedicated and compassionate member of RSU 57 and we're lucky to get to share our students with him! Thanks, Wayne!