

Randolph County School System “RCSS STAR Employees” for February 2026



Coleridge Elementary School – Stephanie Dunn

Mrs. Dunn is a leader among our staff and never hesitates to lend a helping hand. She provides meaningful opportunities that help her students grow as individuals and reach their full potential. Ms. Dunn values strong family collaboration and believes it is key to student success. She is a dedicated advocate for her students and works without hesitation to meet their individual needs. We are so thankful that Stephanie is part of our Rocket Family, and we are proud to call her our STAR staff member.

Eastern Randolph High School – Courtnee Carter

Courtnee Carter embodies the spirit of a Wildcat. She greets every day with a smile, with a confidence beyond a beginning teacher. Courtnee has a positive energy contagious to both students and staff alike. As a former ERHS graduate, Courtnee is a strong presence both in the classroom, as well as coaching volleyball and softball. Congratulations to our February STAR employee Courtnee Carter!

Farmer Elementary School – Crystal Simpson

Mrs. Simpson cares passionately and goes above and beyond for every student at Farmer. She consistently puts in extra effort with our activities committee to create fun, engaging experiences for everyone at school—from “Theme Song Thursdays” to special events celebrating our teachers. She also serves as our lead mentor and pours her knowledge and support into our beginning teachers. She is a crucial part of our Farmer family, and we are proud to have her as our Star Employee.

Seagrove Elementary School – Stacey Gilman

Mrs. Gilman has a patient and kind demeanor with her students. She is passionate about helping her students achieve goals. Mrs. Gilman is very organized and goes above and beyond to work with struggling students. She plans exciting lessons, and her classroom always displays creativity, which is of high interest to students. Seagrove is excited to announce Mrs. Gilman as our STAR Employee!

Southeastern Randolph Middle School – Monique Staley

Monique Staley is truly a star employee who pours her heart into her classroom and consistently goes above and beyond for every student. Despite having a very challenging role, she approaches each day with a positive attitude, a constant smile, and a desire to make each day great. Monique's dedication and genuine care for students make a meaningful impact on their success and well-being. She is also an outstanding teammate who supports and uplifts those around her. We are incredibly fortunate to have her as part of our Wildcat team.

Southmont Elementary School – Julia Brady

Ms. Julia Brady exemplifies unwavering dedication and commitment to our school community. She is always willing to help others and consistently goes above and beyond the call of duty by supporting and leading extracurricular activities. Through thoughtful planning and genuine care for her students' success, she ensures high-quality instruction in every classroom she serves. Julia is also a true team player—collaborative, dependable, and always ready to support both colleagues and students. Her positive impact is felt throughout the school, and we are proud to honor her as Southmont Elementary's Star employee!

Southwestern Randolph High School – Samuel Colli

Mr. Colli has made an exceptional and lasting impact on multilingual students and their families at Southwestern Randolph High School by building strong, trusting relationships that help students feel welcomed and supported while ensuring families feel informed and valued. He is highly attuned to individual student needs and skillfully adapts his instruction to promote language development and academic success. Through consistent advocacy and daily commitment, he helps students overcome barriers and thrive within the school community. Mr. Colli brings energy, care, and professionalism to his work, always putting students first and strengthening the entire school. His positive impact will be felt long beyond his time at SWRHS, and we congratulate him on being selected as Star Employee for February.

Southwestern Randolph Middle School – Megan Rose

Megan has served in several roles at SWRMS since joining the team roughly eight years ago. She is an EC teacher and has also served as the EC department chair since last school year, and has been able to demonstrate leadership in this capacity as well as serving as a coach for the girls' soccer team. She consistently advocates for the needs of students she teaches, and her commitment to growing as a professional was highlighted by her completion of a doctoral program earlier this school year. We are grateful for Dr. Rose and her dedication to the SWRMS community, and that is why we are proud to nominate her as our STAR employee for February.

Tabernacle Elementary School – Natalie Wilburn

Mrs. Wilburn helps teachers with technology within the classroom and is always a smiling face around the school. This year she has jumped right in and makes everyone feel welcome as they enter the Media Center. Our library is an inviting atmosphere where students want to go and learn each day. Mrs. Wilburn is willing to support students and teachers in and out of the classroom, loves students, and keeps the Media Center looking amazing! Mrs. Wilburn has been a huge asset to Tabernacle this year and the definition of a Tabernacle STAR Employee!

Uwharrie Ridge Six-Twelve – Candace Curry

Candace Curry has been selected as the STAR Employee for UR 6–12 due to her outstanding leadership, dedication, and positive impact on our school community. Mrs. Curry serves on the PBIS team and is a strong leader within the UR 6–12 CTE department, consistently supporting both students and staff. She fosters positive relationships with all students and colleagues and is always willing to serve in any capacity where she is needed. In addition, Mrs. Curry represents UR 6–12 as a member of the Randolph Teacher Leader group with Dr. Gainey, demonstrating her commitment to continuous improvement. Her proactive approach to addressing concerns and her unwavering professionalism make her a truly deserving STAR Employee.