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NAME OF STAFF MEMBER

Caitlin Bell

BUILDING

Bear Elementary School

NAME OF NOMINATOR

Bear Staff

BUILDING

Bear Elementary School

REASON STAFF MEMBER IS NOMINATED

Family Garden Day: On Friday, May 6th Bear students, staff, and families gathered together for Garden Day. Earlier in the week students had planted their garden plots, so this afternoon was dedicated to outdoor centers. We "exploded" seeds, mixed ingredients to make exploding chalk art, learned to make our own bubbles, and made self-watering jugs for our garden plots. One of our favorite activities was making bird feeders. It was a great afternoon to celebrate the outdoors and our garden with the Bear Family. To Caitlin Bell-thank you for being the brains and organizing force behind today's Bear Garden Event! Nothing can be accomplished without the brainstorming and planning that goes into making a day successful.

Caitlin has been at Bear for a while and is ALWAYS doing amazing things! She organized the garden day so well. Sent out reminders and spreadsheets to help us all stay organized. I am sure the prep for this took time from her family, but she was willing and this shows a true love for Bear students and families

- Garden Day was amazing! The creative thinking and planning that went into this event was beyond imaginable and Caitlin took it on without missing a beat. What a great way to engage Bear families, students and staff in our wonderful "Green Machine" garden. Thank you Caitlin!

I loved that this event helped bridge the gap between community and school!

The garden day was a great success. There was a great turn out of parents. I think they loved doing the stations as much as the kids did. The kids I was with loved the exploding chalk and the bubble wands. And we can't forget the pudding snack. Thank you, Caitlin

Caitlin Bell did an amazing job creating an event for all the students, staff, and families to come together and enjoy the garden, lunch, and activities. It was a great way to connect with families and other students

Caitlin - where do I even start? She went completely above and beyond for this event (even while dealing with a major back injury/surgery & being away from school). She spent many hours working to pull this off and it went amazing. She did an excellent job creating and choosing activities for all ages of children that even my 5th graders had a fun day! All of my parents and family members that attended with my home room had nothing but positive things to say! I am so appreciative of Caitlin and her dedication to our school, students and our families. We are so lucky to have her!

Thanks to Caitlin Bell, garden day was a tremendous family and community event. Students participated in various STEM stations with their classmates all centered around Bear's garden. Students created their own irrigation systems, greenhouses, bubble wands, bird feeders, and much more. Families got to enjoy lunch as they traveled throughout stations with their students. Garden day was a wonderful celebration of gardening for families, students as well as staff!

Caitlin has done a wonderful job making sure all Bear students have access to our school's garden to experience planting, watering, weeding, and harvesting. During our first garden day, parents and students worked together to explore centers and as I heard some of my students say "It was even better than field day!"

Garden Day allowed Bear to finally bring families back together for a fun-filled afternoon. Students (and families) were engaged in a multitude of garden-themed activities that encouraged hands-on learning opportunities. It was so wonderful seeing students interact with their families in the school setting and enjoy a beautiful day together!

The best part of Garden Day was seeing the excitement between student and parents as everyone was participating in the stations.

- What an awesome day to invite our families back into the building!! The weather was perfect, activities fun, and the family involvement huge!!! Bear hit all of the SEL marks on this day!



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NAME OF STAFF MEMBER

Misty Tinney

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Bear Elementary School

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Bear Staff

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REASON STAFF MEMBER IS NOMINATED

STEM DAY

Misty put in a lot of hours preparing activities and materials for STEM Day. The kids had a great afternoon participating.

STEM day was an amazing opportunity for our student to engage in hands-on, creative learning!

Our students absolutely loved STEM Day this year! They were given an entire afternoon to learn about and practice SEL skills and were able to put their critical thinking/problem solving skills together to create thoughtful and purposeful STEM projects. I am so excited to continue this tradition for many years to come!

It has been a pleasure working with Misty this year. She has brought so much excitement surrounding STEM activities to Bear and the kids love visiting our school library. STEM day was a success for all students due to her hard work and dedication.

During STEM day students got to participate in various activities that promoted innovation, engineering and teamwork. It was a joy to watch them learn new things and work together. Students also got to learn from other teachers in the school creating a sense of community throughout the building. This event was possible thanks to the incredible planning and efforts of Misty Tinney. Mrs. Tinney planned engaging stations, SEL lessons, as well as gathered all materials needed for a wonderful STEM day!

Wow! Misty came to us this year and has been such an amazing asset to Bear School. She fit right into our building like a missing puzzle piece. Misty plans engaging lessons and activities for all of our students in the library & they really enjoying attending Library as a special area. The monthly challenges and STEM projects that she does with our kids are super interactive and hands-on. She's awesome at what she does. One of the best things she's planned was our STEM day. This event was so well planned and well thought out. She made sure we all had everything we needed and the students had so much fun! It's been a little over a month and I still have students talking about STEM day! Way to go Misty on such an awesome event and thank you for all you do for our students! You are making school fun again and learning exciting!!

Misty is so creative and has such a heart for the students at Bear elementary. The stem day was a great day for everyone!! The kids were beyond excited for all the activities she planned for them. She worked so hard on everything!!!

I loved how the kids got to express their creativity and have it integrate to Social Emotional Learning!

STEM day was so engaging and fun for students that I don't think they even realized that they were learning! Your planning and collaboration with teachers was amazing! I sooooo...appreciate your dedication to the students at Bear Elementary! Thank you Misty!

Misty worked very hard to get everything together for the STEM program. She was so excited for the day to come. The kindergarten kids I worked with loved the Lego project, making a boat and seeing if it would float. They had to work with their partners to figure it out. Thank you Misty.

Misty was collecting materials way in advance and the fact that she took on this endeavor is amazing being new at Bear. She singly did all the work! The teachers just had to drop off materials and follow directions. She has really stepped up!