



Spirit Award Winners - May 2026

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Ryder S. – Ryder has a zest for learning new things and a passion for sharing his knowledge with his classmates.

Olympia S. – Olympia brings so much positive energy and excitement for learning to our classroom. She is quick to comfort her friends when they are feeling down!

William H-M. - He is a rockstar at letters, sounds, and is full of science knowledge! He is a number wizard and our resident axolotl expert!

Norah L. - She is our go-to gal during read alouds and always shines during Heggerty lessons. She is also such a kind and helpful friend to everyone in our classroom.

Duke S. - He consistently follows directions during fine motor arts and crafts activities and always gives his best effort. He also impresses us every day with his strong vocabulary and love of learning new words.



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KINDERGARTEN

Hudson D. - He is following classroom routines and directions the first time given.

Annabelle K. - She shows kindness to her classmates and teachers.

Dylan S. - He is a great listener. Dylan is always willing to help a friend in need.

Patrick N. - Patrick is a thoughtful friend who is always willing to lend a hand.

Stone R.- He is always ready to lend a helping hand to others, especially when it is time to answer the classroom door!

Mason S. - He is working hard at tapping and chopping his cvc words and words with digraphs! Keep it up Mason!

Elsa S. - She greets her friends and teachers with a smile each morning.



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GRADE 1

Charleston B. - She is a great addition to DP! She is kind and friendly to her classmates. She works hard every day and always tries her best! Way to go, Charleston!

Charli S. - She comes to school with enthusiasm and excitement, always ready to explore new ideas. She actively participates and shares her ideas with confidence and curiosity. Keep shining your bright light!

Price DeT. - She consistently works hard and always puts forth her very best effort in everything she does. Her positive attitude and dedication make her a great role model for others. Keep shining your bright light!

Reese S. - She is a kind, friendly and helpful member of our classroom. She consistently shows care and respect toward her peers and is always willing to lend a helping hand. Keep shining your bright light!

Miles S.- He strives to do his best and he works hard in everything he does. He actively participates in class and shares thoughtful ideas. Keep up the great work!

Gigi R. - She is always ready to learn. Her focus is outstanding throughout lessons and instruction. She sets a positive example for her peers.

Laila S. - She brings fun energy to our class. Her smile lights up the classroom daily!

Lucy H. - She is trying new strategies to become more accurate and efficient at her math facts.

Louisa H. - She is trying new strategies to become more accurate and efficient at her math facts.

Riley H. - Riley has been a kind and supportive friend to his peers and is always there with words of encouragement and a hug or high five when someone needs it. I am very proud of him.
Keep up the great work, Riley!



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Hudson O'C. - He is such a wonderful friend in our class! He is so great at teaming up with his classmates and is always ready, with a smile, to play with peers outside.

Hunter A. - He is doing a fantastic job working on his independence. He has been putting a lot of effort into starting his tasks right away and focusing on getting his work done.

Teddy K. - He has a wonderful imagination and a real talent for storytelling. It is so much fun to see the creative books he makes and the stories he shares.

Penelope Palidini, Sophia Kasekas, Darcy Fritz - They come to school, ready to learn and challenge themselves. They write well and add details. They also set goals for reading.

Matthew Rhame - His passion for ALL things history has been appreciated by his peers. He is an enthusiastic learner, researcher and reader and his thirst for knowledge is inspiring to those around him! Way to go!

Chase Kosinski and Skylar Luiten - They are consistently and independently motivated to solve advanced math problems and challenge themselves. They happily share their knowledge.

Julian Solop and Greg Elder - They take pride in their work, are neat, and take on math and reading challenges. They are always kind and respectful to their peers. Way to go!



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GRADE 2

Stella B. - She has done tons of hard work in mathematics. She has been giving it her all at the end of the year and it shows!

Colin S. - He is a kind and thoughtful friend who positively makes our classroom a better place.

Elliot H. - He is a kind friend, bringing enthusiasm into the classroom and sharing his love and curiosity for space.

Ames B. - He works SUPER hard to complete math mysteries and unlock math challenges. He loves any math challenge and is sharpening his skills for 3rd grade. Way to go Ames!

Emma F. - She is a hard worker and a good friend to all.

Liam M. - He can make even the grumpiest person smile or laugh. He is always ready to lend a helping hand.

Lily R. - She is always smiling and working super hard. She never gives up!

Jabo B. - Moving from another state is super hard, but he made it look easy. He jumped right into school as if he had been here all year. We are so lucky to have him join our class.

Juliet S'A. - She works so hard in everything that she does. She is always there to help a friend in need

Axel O. - It's a pleasure to have a student with a positive attitude about everything, Axel finds joy on a daily basis!

Annabelle L. - Annabelle is so kind and so helpful, and has arrived every single day since September with a smile on her face, always happy to be here!

Liam H. - Liam's love of reading is commendable. I am so proud of his growth this year!



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GRADE 3

Wynne H. - She took her time and never gave up when taking the brand new state assessment! EBOC

Quinn S. - Quinn is such a kind student and a big help to the RASA staff daily. Quinn does whatever is asked of her, helps with younger students, and is always a friend to someone in need.

Kit S. - She is organized, responsible, and a good friend.

Aiden V. - He has a love of learning and the desire to always improve.

Chase K. - He challenged himself this year and put forth his best effort.

John E. - John consistently brings positivity to the classroom with his charismatic personality, quick sense of humor, and natural charm. He worked incredibly hard and put forth his very best effort on the NJSLA, showing determination and perseverance throughout the testing process.

Lucien C. - Lucien's creativity and tech-savvy skills make him a unique and exciting part of the classroom community. He brings so much energy to each day, and it has been wonderful to see him build strong friendships and become such an important part of the class this year.

Quinn S. - She shows constant kindness and is a friend that everyone can count on.

Lucas S. - Thank you for using your love of reading to grow your knowledge and for always making sure every friend in our "story" feels included and welcome!

Pierce R. - He is a hardworking student in all subject areas and is a very focused learner. Pierce works well both independently and with peers. Pierce is a good friend to his classmates and is a very social boy.

William G. - He takes his third grade learning seriously and is always trying to get ahead. He is a very focused learner and self-advocates for himself asking for help when needed. William is a good role model for his peers and will lend a helping hand when needed.

Isabelle B.- Isabelle consistently demonstrates a positive attitude about school and her learning. She leads by example in the classroom.

Miles O. - Miles has shown an impressive job as a reader and researcher in his Animal Studies project and continues to be an enthusiastic learning participant in our classroom across all areas!

Luca P. - Luca never gives up. His caring heart, and willingness to keep trying helps him grow stronger in his skills every day in school.



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STAFF

Ms. Leidner selflessly gives of her time and expertise to support teachers and students alike.

Mrs. Newman is a gifted educator who doesn't give up until every Pup finds success.