

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher appreciation week is May 7-11, and we would like to personally thank all of the teachers in our district who work diligently to provide our students with quality educational opportunities that will in turn allow our students to become productive members of society. Teachers have a very challenging occupation in meeting testing standards, designing curriculum, and providing feedback to students and parents. Teachers have the ability to incorporate the humanistic interaction between students that make them feel valued, intelligent, and instills a belief in our students that they can reach their dreams. Great teachers see a student's potential when they enter their classroom and take their students on an educational journey where a love for learning becomes evident in their conversations and actions. You can ask almost anyone, who was your favorite teacher? Most people respond with the teacher's name, the grade or subject they taught, and an explanation for their selection. Most of the time, teachers are remembered for how they made the student feel in their classroom, and for the knowledge they received under their stewardship. Personally, I'm grateful for my 1st grade teacher, Mrs. Long, who made me feel intelligent and taught me how to read. Also, I would like to thank Mr. Stucki for instilling in me a love of chemistry, which later became my major in college because of his influence in my life. I have had the privilege of being a student in many wonderful teachers' classrooms over the years, and as such, received the life skills that I use every day. Please take a few minutes to thank the teachers in our district who help our students achieve academic greatness by showing that they love and care about kids.

I would also like to recognize and thank all our other employees this week as well. Our schools run smoothly because of the wonderful support from our bus drivers, secretaries, paraprofessionals, custodians, food service workers, librarians, volunteers, and substitutes. I appreciate all the work they do to support our students – they truly care about our kids and go the extra mile.

Ben Dalton
Superintendent
Kane School District