



Lake Local Employees Honored as 2013 People of Character

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Five outstanding educators of Lake Local School District have been recognized as 2013 People of Character, and were honored at a reception at RG Drage Career Technical Center on Tuesday, October 22nd.

Margo Semonin (Lake High School), Mark Sommers (Lake Middle School), Corrinne Rogers (Hartville Elementary), Joy Phillips (Uniontown Elementary) and Kelly Simmons (Lake Elementary) were nominated for living their lives by the Six Pillars of Character and serving as a role model in their respective schools.

A person of character is trustworthy, respectful, responsible, fair, caring and a good citizen. Superintendent, Mr. Jeff Wendorf, expressed great appreciation for each of the individuals. "It should come as no surprise our Lake Local staff members are honored as People Of Character. These educators represent every value ingrained in the spirit of Lake Local, and it mirrors the Six Pillars of Character. I am proud of each and every one of them.

These 5 teachers have a combined total of 95 years in education. Lake Middle School Principal Brian Reed, stated Mark Sommers a 32 year teacher veteran and a life-time Blue Streak, "Is the face of Lake Local School." Corrine Rogers has been motivating students every day for 20 years at Hartville Elementary to overcome their challenges with reading. Joy Phillips has been with Uniontown Elementary for 17 years, first as an experienced teacher, and currently serving as the Intervention Specialist. Kelly Simmons is an 8 year veteran also working as an Intervention Specialist at Lake Elementary, who often stays after school to work one on one with children struggling to read. Margo Semonin, Lake High School Business Education teacher for 18 years has "The keen ability to lift someone's spirits when they are in need and continually works to embody the mission and vision of Lake Local Schools" stated Mr. Kevin Tobin, LHS Principal.

The goal of Character Counts! Stark County is to identify and celebrate People of Character in the Stark County educational community. Congratulations to each of these 2013 well deserving recipients.

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