

Kuna Way Awards January 2019

Putting kids first and doing whatever it takes to help students succeed

- **Steve Kilgore**
 - *“Mr. Kilgore goes the extra mile for his students. When he sees a student get injured from a machinery incident in his class, he sprints to grab his first aid kit and if needed, has his TA call 911. Mr. Kilgore cares about his Kavemen students and that is why I would like to nominate him for a Kuna Way Award.”*

Collaborating to solve problems, to make decisions, to reach win-win decisions and to continuously improve to make our system better for kids

- **Deb Bradburn; Mackenzie Dodd; Christy Mauk; Wendy Percifield; Julie Magnuson; Sherrie Feist; Shelly Manuel; Jesse Dodd; Molly Loveless and Chase Hernandez**
 - *“These outstanding teachers and leaders volunteered to helm a second tier intervention program for KHS students. Their dedication, passion, extra time, and efforts will make a lasting difference for the students at KHS.”*

Leading from where you are

- **Laura Jenkins - Reed Instructional Coach**
 - *“Laura Jenkins is a leader at Reed and in the district. Her role as instructional coach is vital to the success of our students and staff at Reed. My staff look up to her as an expert but also as someone who is in their corner and willing to learn with them as they work to improve their own skills and the results for our students. She often works behind the scenes in creating professional development and improving our practices district wide and at Reed. She is an advocate for our staff in order to help them be their best. She leads by her example and with her efforts to support others.”*

Working hard and having fun together

- **Amy Baker**
 - *“Amy applied for and received grants to purchase a class set of ukuleles for our students at Reed. Our students are working hard to learn how to play them but they are having a great time as they learn. Amy also does an after school choir and takes them caroling and other fun activities. That choir is always larger because students have fun while participating in the choir. Reed students not only learn music by working hard, they also have fun doing it.”*

Taking care of each other and ourselves

- **Hayley Horning - District Office**
 - *“If there is anyone who deserves a Kuna Way Award, it is Hayley Horning. She is genuinely someone who looks after the best interest of our students and staff. She has never hesitated to help me when I have needed it, and she checks in with me periodically just to make sure that I am supported and answers any questions I might have. She has come over to help show me how to use enrich and to make sure that I was prepared. I am so grateful for her help and support, and I know that this is just the kind of person she is, and she would do this for anyone who needed it. She is also constantly helping to solve problems and dig deeper so that we know how to solve it next time. For these reasons, I would like to make sure she is nominated for a Kuna Way Award..”*
- Jade Aberasturi

Preserving our professional capital and promoting professionalism

- **Sheila Blewett - Crimson Point Instructional Coach**

- *“I would like to nominate Sheila Blewett for providing a professional development for principals on the topic of trauma in students and adults. This information is eye opening and will ultimately help us support students through a different lens and better.” - Brandon Crusat*