Amy Forshey Memorial Excellence In Education Award

This award recognizes an outstanding educator who has been influential in the field of special education, and especially in the areas of LD and ADHD. Congratulations to....

Dana Huffer Fall Creek Elementary School Fishers, Indiana

Dana Huffer is a fourth grade teacher at Fall Creek Elementary School. In nominating her, Betty Salgado said, "Mrs. Huffer is dedicated to all of her students. She goes above and beyond her duties. She has made a tremendous difference in the life of my child by helping us understand her learning issues and accommodating those needs through a teaching style that gives her the attention and assistance that has led to academic success."

Andrea Fenchak, a former colleague, said, "Dana Huffer provides leadership, guidance and effective interventions for her students. She differentiates their work, provides individualized assistance, communicates with parents, and enriches the lives of every student she instructs. She is a warm, kind, caring individual who is able to identify with her students while maintaining a professional, yet inviting classroom environment."

Mrs. Huffer is a graduate of Ball State University, majoring in elementary education with a dual focus in special education. She is currently pursuing a Masters degree. During her educational career she was honored with the Leslie J. Mauth Scholarship and was selected for the Golden Key National Honor Society. During the past two decades, she has been involved in education by administering, developing and implementing programs in the areas of progress monitoring assessments, RTI instruction, team teaching, various extracurricular activities, volunteering, and avenues that promote effective communication with parents.

Congratulations, Dana Huffer, and best wishes for continued success!