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Abraham Lincoln First Grade Teacher Lisa Buchholz Awarded with Prestigious Golden Apple Award

District 41 is proud to announce that Abraham Lincoln School first grade teacher Lisa Buchholz was selected for the highly respected Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching. Mrs. Buchholz is one of only 10 Golden Apple Award recipients for 2018. (see pictures below. Watch video HERE)



At about 1:30 p.m. today, CBS2 News Reporter Rob Johnson along with Mrs. Buchholz's family, representatives from the Golden Apple Awards, and District 41 administration surprised Mrs. Buchholz in her classroom with the news. The story will air tonight on CBS at 6 p.m. Tune in! An article will also appear in the Daily Herald tomorrow and My Suburban Life later this week.

The 2018 award recipients were selected from a record pool of more than 650 nominations, and represent Pre-K through 3rd grade teachers from the Chicagoland area. Fellow educators, students, parents, and community members nominate teachers for the award each year.

Northwestern University provides each Golden Apple Award recipient with a tuition-free, spring quarter sabbatical to study at Northwestern University. Each recipient also receives a \$5,000 cash award. Award recipients become Fellows of the Golden Apple Academy of Educators, giving them a stronger voice and a larger stage from which to make a difference in education. All recipients will be featured this spring on a WTTW one-hour TV program and livestream marketed to local school communities.

About Lisa Buchholz

After 27 years of teaching, Lisa knows how to use every second of every school day to the fullest. Her favorite tool to maximize learning is the integration of multiple concepts. Often, it's hard to tell which specific subject is being taught due to the overlapping and reinforcing of math, reading and science concepts that are utilized during her lessons. She

guides her students to strive for the highest of standards and to expect more of themselves and each other every day. She is passionate about teaching her students to adopt an "I can" attitude in school and life. Her students play a prominent role in taking charge of their learning. Lisa helps her students set goals for themselves in academics -- and in life in general. She believes that high expectations for students, along with understanding their individual learning needs and caring for them with deep respect and compassion are the formula for lasting success. As a result of her achievement in the classroom, she was also previously recognized as a finalist for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

"Golden Apple is proud to recognize this year's award recipients for their exceptional accomplishments in the classroom," said Alicia Winckler, Golden Apple president and CEO. "Each of the recipients is uniquely talented and epitomizes the dedication, skill and drive in the teaching profession that facilitates better futures for scores of young people."

Congratulations to Mrs. Buchholz!





















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