

REGION III 2020 Teri Fisk Award (Paraeducator of the Year)

Do you know of a paraeducator who is as dependable as Old Faithful? How about a paraeducator who is as determined as Lewis and Clark, or as brave as Sacagawea, who is as inspiring as the Rocky Mountains, or who has a heart as big as the Big Sky? Now is your chance to nominate this outstanding person for Paraeducator of the Year! Please complete and return this application to Region III CSPD at the address below by **December 13, 2019**.

Name of paraeducator _____

Where employed (District) _____ School _____

Work Address _____ Work phone _____

Number of years employed as a paraeducator _____

Number, type, and age of students/clients served _____

Nominator's name/address/phone/email _____

On the back write a short paragraph telling how this paraeducator exhibits exemplary work skills, including such qualities as:

- Communicating effectively
- Taking initiative
- Understanding his or her role in the school community/work setting

Describe the unique qualities or characteristics that set this paraeducator apart from his or her peers:

- What contributions does this paraeducator make to the school/work environment during the workday and beyond?
- How does this paraeducator make a difference in the lives of his or her students or clients?
- What is this paraeducator's involvement in professional development?

Include statements of support from students, parents, teachers, and/or peers.

One paraeducator will be selected from each region. Awardees will be recognized at the Montana Council for Exceptional Children Conference, February 20, 2020 in Missoula, Montana.

Submit to: Debra Miller • Region III CSPD • MSUB/MCIE • 1500 University Drive • Billings, MT 59101 • Fax: (406) 657-2313 • Phone: (406) 657-2072 • dmiller@msubillings.edu • www.msubillings.edu/cspd

*Paraeducator refers to "paras" working in the school setting in areas such as special education, resource, Title 1, occupational and physical therapy, speech/language, busing, cafeteria, playground, library and school health room.

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