



## Monthly Kudos Digest

Collaboration • Innovation • Compassion • Trustworthy • Respect

### January 2015

#### Innovation • Respect

**Kate Faulkner** (Daytime Maintenance) Did an exceptional job painting our classroom and commons, and cleaning all the trash cans VERY thoroughly!

*Shelby Bishop*

*Woodsedge Learning Center*



#### Collaboration

**Barb Payne** (Valley Center) is always willing to help, guide and mentor teachers at Valley Center with our IEP's. Barb offers friendly reminders and advice and seems to have endless patience with us and the ever changing process. Recently she alerted me to a couple of errors I had made, and helped me to rectify them without being non-judgmental. I value her professionalism and willingness to share her knowledge and insight. Thanks Barb!

*Cheryl Whitehurst*

*Valley Center*



### February 2015

#### Collaboration • Innovation • Compassion • Trustworthy • Respect

Over the first two weeks of me being a teacher, in the class were **Peggy Switzer, Sue Grantham & Amber Shumakerthey** (WoodsEdge Off Site/Paras) have worked together for some time, they have been great to work with. Each day they have come in with a can do attitude and willingness to do whatever it takes for our students to be successful. Without these three ladies I would be lost.

*Mathew Alger*

*Parchment North El. WoodsEdge Off Site*



### Collaboration • Respect

**Dan Jimenez** (Headstart) is a great person to work with. He puts the families he works with first and he even makes an effort to help out the teachers as much as he can. Dan brings supplies from the main office out to the teachers nearly every day and he always responds to the needs of his parents in a timely fashion. I appreciate Dan for all that he does for us and goes above and beyond for the families with which he works.

*Camille Walker  
Headstart*

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### Collaboration • Compassion

I arrived to conduct a training in the computer lab. I didn't realize that the new computer setup required tech administrator approval to download the training program. **Mark Spackman** and **Lin Dyga** (MiTech) came to my rescue and spent an hour of their time making sure that everything was all set up for the training. Thanks to them, the training was very successful!

*Andy Birt  
Great Start*

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### Collaboration • Innovation

Thanks a million to **Kathy Spackman** (Education for Employment) for organizing a fantastic launch to our eduexpo event January 27th! Kathy's event coordination skills are absolutely amazing and because of her intense and unstoppable efforts, the event showcased not only the breadth and depth of EFA, EFE, EMC and YOU offerings but also showcased the hard work and preparation for such a great community turnout. Kathy, thank you, the entire expo event was well thought out and wonderfully presented!

*Deb Miller  
Education for Employment/Service Center*

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### Collaboration

Sending a HUGE THANK YOU to **Scott Thomas**, the Director of Business Services, for KRESA for allowing me to interview him for my grad class! Calls were coming in during the interview but he didn't take them. I appreciate you for that Scott and for the job that you do! My report about the job of a school business manager is coming along nicely, thanks to you.

*Meadow Nuyen  
Head Start Christian Life Center #4*

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## Compassion • Trustworthy • Respect

Moving into a new position had me sending a lot of questions to **Lou Ann Prescott** (Business Office). I am sure every time another email from me popped into her inbox she shook her head, but she never let me know that. She was extremely patient and kind. She took time to clearly explain everything so I had a deeper understanding of contracts, changes and everything else I threw her way. I truly appreciate all she did to calm my nerves.

*Elizabeth Dancer*

*Great Start Readiness Program*

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## Collaboration

A few weeks ago, we hosted our first ever Transportation Job Fair for school bus drivers. I would like to recognize **Diane Thompson** (Transportation) for her willingness to run the show, and her ability to do it so well! She handled all the arrangements and was in constant contact with the local schools that were participating. When I couldn't be on site to greet the schools or the job fair attendees, Diane graciously handled those duties as well. Thank you, Diane!

*Kelly Kuhlmann*

*Communications*

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## Collaboration • Compassion

A big thanks to **Mark Spackman, Mark Dersch, Galen Patrick** and **Steven Bohjanen** from our friendly MiTech staff. REMC needed some very large old pieces of machinery moved out of our print shop so that a delivery could be made of our new large pieces of machinery. This group of muscular men with big hearts volunteered, assembled together, and got them out of the way. Thank you from the REMC staff!

*Gary Hubbard*

*REMC*

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## Respect

I just wanted to acknowledge all the hard work and dedication the ES Staff (YOU South Burdick) put into their job each and every day. They have so many different situations that arise, and they seem to handle them in stride. The customers have various issues that have a direct impact on their daily lives, and are sometimes overwhelmed with it all. Our staff recognizes their situations, and deals with them in a very compassionate way. I am proud to have been a part of this organization, and want to thank them all for the awesome job they do.

*Treasa Zanardi*

*YOU ES Staff*

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## Collaboration • Innovation • Compassion

**Mary Schinske** and **Amanda Wilholt** (MiCase) have been a huge help to me with taking care of Synergy SIS issues that come in from the districts. I am very new to the whole Student Information System support and they have been very patient with me. Mary and Amanda have both taken the time to not only help solve the issues, but also shown me what to do and point me in the right direction for support resources. Thank you both so much.

*Mark Spackman*

*SWMiTech - Service Center*



## Collaboration • Trustworthy

**Joan Rozeveld** (LEA Business Services) prepares and runs payroll for FOUR school districts employing over 750 employees. I never doubt that she will complete these responsibilities on time and with a high level of accuracy and efficiency. She 'rocks' and is a 'rock' on our Team. Thanks Joan.

*Barb Ohs*

*Service Center*



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