

# Bangor Area School District Slater Standout of the Month Award







**Courtney Compton** 

Julie Howell

#### **November Professional Award Recipient**

#### **Courtney Compton**

Ms. Courtney Compton is a current Special Education teacher at Bangor Area Middle School. She was first an employee of the district as a long-term substitute for the 2017-2018 school year and then hired as a permanent staff member of the middle school in July 2018. Ms. Compton demonstrates a positive and welcoming attitude which fosters a learning environment that emphasizes "excellence today, success tomorrow," along with a consistent willingness to assist all students, professional and support staff. She acts as a team player while fulfilling her responsibilities, taking on any task asked, and helping all students of classrooms she academically supports. She supports content area classes within her Intervention room to ensure her students are getting the additional practice needed to show growth and demonstrate mastery of skills. She also helps to accommodate and modify lessons and assessments within the classroom to ensure her students' success. Ms. Compton fulfills all job responsibilities above and beyond expectations. She takes initiative when it comes to servicing our students. This year, she and another staff member, embraced the task of getting a middle school resource room up and running. She also monitors all students accessing this support for the first half of the school day. No matter what, Ms. Compton is one of the special education teachers that anyone can turn to when they have a special education question or need to brainstorm ways to better serve students. Ms. Compton is a staff membe that enjoys coming to work every day and will do anything to help ANY student at BAMS. She makes BAMS a better place not only from her work ethic but her attitude and passion for the profession. We are lucky to have such a great teacher here at BAMS.

#### November Support Staff Award Recipient

#### Julie Howell

Julie demonstrates a positive and welcoming attitude that fosters a learning environment which emphasizes "excellence today, success tomorrow along with a consistent willingness to assist students and staff. She acts as a "team player" while fulfilling her responsibilities while displaying outstanding performance pertaining to her job-related responsibilities. Julie performs all job expectations while also going "above and beyond." Julie consistently goes above and beyond her work day. She starts collaborating with Mr. Kerstetter at 6 am to make arrangements and contacts for sub coverage every single day. Julie is often found "putting out fires" after her work day ends. She is always positive and approaches staff & students with kindness, despite stress going on behind the scenes. An example of how Julie is a team player occurred when she stepped in to make sure all of the bulletin boards not connected to classrooms were decorated and looking fantastic, even buying or make decorations at home, all without being asked. Without Julie, DeFranco Elementary operations would come to a grinding halt. She is the hub of building. When Julie sees a need, she steps in. Proof of this can be seen when she covers lunch duty, runs outside to bus duty if no one is available, helps in the nurses office, fields calls of distress from teachers, all while maintaining her expected responsibilities!

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## The Celtic Cultural Alliance 12th Annual Parade of Shamrocks

March 12th, Historic Downtown Bethlehem



By Jayne Ann M. Recker - Executive Director Celtic Cultural Alliance BETHLEHEM — The Celtic Cultural Alliance invites all organizations, teams and businesses to participate in the 12th Annual Parade of Shamrocks.

CCA is encouraging organizations, teams and businesses to participate in the parade. "Anyone can participate in the parade. It's a great way for your organization to gain visibility and get your mes-

sage out, as every group is recognized on Astound Broadband powered by RCN broadcast and there will be several thousand people lining the streets." Says Jayne Ann Recker, Executive Director of the Celtic Cultural Alliance. The parade will be shown on Astound Broadband on March 12th and available on video on demand.

Participating in the parade is not just fun but a great team building event that many local businesses have enjoyed being a part of for many years. Everyone enjoys getting their green on and being a part of the shenanigans.

Parade registrations will be accepted through February 28th and can be found at www.celticfest.org.

The parade begins at 1:00 p.m. at 5th Avenue and W. Broad streets and proceeds east on Broad Street, turns right on to Main Street and heads south on Main Street. The parade concludes under the Hill-to-Hill Bridge. This free event has plenty of viewing along the sidewalks of the procession route.

For more information on the Parade of Shamrocks and other Celtic Cultural Alliance events, visit the organization's website at www.celticfest.org.

### UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PA

#### **NOTICE OF EMPLOYMENT**

Upper Mount Bethel Township, Northampton County, PA is currently seeking a Full-Time Operator (CDL preferred) in the Public Works Department. Applications are available at the Township Municipal Building, located at 387 Ye Olde Highway, Mt. Bethel, PA 18343, between the hours of 7:30am – 4:00pm. Applications will be accepted until February 28, 2022.