



JULIE BOYLE

Heart & Spirit Award

At the Lawrence Schools Foundation, we know that *the heart of a community beats strongest through those who give selflessly and lead with spirit.* Nothing nor no one embodies that more than our very own Julie Boyle.

With that, and in honor of Julie Boyle’s lasting legacy, the Foundation declared June 10 – “Julie Boyle Day” as well as an award that will be given out annually.

Julie Boyle Heart and Spirit Award

Created in honor of Julie Boyle, Communication Director for Lawrence Public Schools, this award recognizes an individual who exemplifies the same big heart, unwavering dedication, and passionate commitment to children, schools, and the broader community that Julie has demonstrated throughout her remarkable career.

Julie’s tireless efforts and genuine care have profoundly impacted our district, inspiring connection, compassion, and collaboration. The Julie Boyle Heart and Spirit Award celebrates those who embody these values—champions who uplift and support our schools and community with kindness, enthusiasm, and an enduring spirit of service.

Nomination Criteria

Nominees should exemplify the following qualities, reflecting Julie Boyle’s remarkable legacy:

1. Unwavering Dedication to Students and Schools

Demonstrates consistent commitment to supporting the success and well-being of students and educators.

Goes above and beyond their role to foster a positive school environment.

2. Embodiment of Heart and Compassion

Leads with empathy, kindness, and integrity in all interactions.

Serves as a source of encouragement, hope, and support for others.

3. Inspires Others Through Service and Spirit

Motivates colleagues and the broader community through their example of service, positivity, and perseverance.

Actively uplifts and empowers those around them.

Nomination Deadline:

May 31, 2026



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Nomination Form

In recognition of exemplary & outstanding contributions to USD 497, I would like to nominate the following employee:

Name of Nominee: _____

Title: _____

Department: _____

Describe in detail how this nominee represents the spirit of the award. Please give specific examples using the following criteria:

1. Positive attitude towards fellow employees, faculty, students, and the public
2. Outstanding work performance
3. Performance beyond specific job duties
4. Other considerations.

Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's Signature: _____

Email/telephone Number: _____

Please attach this form to your letter of support and send completed and signed nomination form to:

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Lawrence Schools Foundation

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Employee status verified by Human Resources: _____(Y) _____(N)