



End of the Year Message, May 28, 2019

I trust everyone had a wonderful Memorial Day weekend. Today's snow feels more like we are getting ready for winter break rather than preparing for the summer, but the calendar indicates that this is the last week of school. I hope you have an exciting week.

Thought for the Day—a couple of quotes for Memorial Day:

My fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country, *John F. Kennedy*

I have learned over the years that when one's mind is made up, this diminishes fear; knowing what must be done does away with fear. *Rosa Parks*

End of Year Celebration & Wisdom Awards

The annual Celebration Convocation and Wisdom Awards will be Friday, May 31, 2019 starting at 1:30 p.m. We will celebrate our employees' years of service and other career milestones. We will also have 15 Wisdom Awards to bestow upon employees who have made a distinct contribution to our work in ACSD1, and finally, we will announce the District Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to all of our employees who will be recognized this week.

Attitude of Gratitude

I have enjoyed sharing the Monday Message this year. The theme throughout the year is thankfulness for the wonderful people we have in ACSD1 who work to educate students and serve the families in Albany County. Education is a calling for our teachers and can be a struggle for learners, but we are faithful to our mission and strive to do the best we can for everyone, every day. Thank you for your passion, dedication, perseverance, and moments of brilliance that you bring to your work.

Please take the time to be grateful for the work you do. Your expression of positive intention starts with your attitude of gratitude. Our students, families, and employees know when we are thankful and joyous in our daily work—show them your gratitude.

Have a restful, engaging summer break,

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