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### **CPS Announces Certified and Support Employees for April 2015**

Charlotte Public Schools is pleased to announce that Ms. Hollie Auten has been selected as the Support Employee of the month; Ms. Auten is an Administrative Assistant/Box Office Manager at the Charlotte Performing Arts Center and Ms. Julie Davis has been selected as the Certified Employee of the month; Ms. Davis is a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher at Charlotte Upper Elementary.



Ms. Hollie Auten was nominated by Mr. Jeffrey Hayes, Facility Director of the Charlotte Performing Arts Center and Pat Campion, CPAC volunteer. In her nomination, part of what Ms. Campion wrote included: “When I think of Hollie Auten a few words come to mind:

organized, professional, creative, friendly, prompt, talented and kind.” “She is always professional, thorough, and patient in dealing with so many personalities.” Mr. Hayes nomination said: “Hollie Auten truly embodies Oriole Pride in her service as the Box Office Manager...” “Last week when things weren’t going as smoothly as we would like and the ticketing system had some glitches, Hollie provided customer service with a pleasant demeanor and a smile.....Hollie manually and painstakingly accounted for each and every individual seat.....She went above and beyond, including many extra hours, to make sure that these problems were not clearly evident to the public – she is proud and dedicated to the public.” “...even more remarkable is the dedication and the role model that Hollie plays with our students. When the drama department found itself without a musical director for this past fall, Hollie stepped up and staged a remarkable production of GREASE.” “Hollie Auten truly deserves this recognition for Charlotte Public Schools in what is often an underappreciated role in the Charlotte Performing Arts Center Box Office.”

Ms. Julie Davis was nominated by fellow teachers, Tiffany Roodvoets and Celena Bruch. Excerpts of what was written Ms. Bruch’s nomination include: “Julie Davis wears many hats, so to speak, in her life. She is a daughter, mother, friend, coach, PBIS coordinator, Union President, and teacher---to name a few.” “We are extremely fortunate to have Julie Davis as a part of our team. She is a true leader in every sense of the word.” “Julie puts 110% effort into her work every single day. She has the grit, determination, and drive to make sure her students have every opportunity to succeed. This also holds true for her colleagues. She is more than willing to share any activity or idea she comes up with. She more than encourages us to do the same.” Ms. Roodvoets went on to say “She is a true go-getter, always doing, always planning, and always thinking of how to do something ‘smarter’ and ‘better’ for students. I quickly changed from being

intimidated by Julie into admiring her. Julie has been helpful, supportive, and creative. She and I divide and conquer tasks and work together so well.” “I hope many people are aware what a wonderful co-worker and educator she is.....Thank you Julie!!!”

Charlotte Public Schools is very proud of these employees and appreciative of their efforts on behalf of our students and staff.

If you know of a CPS employee who goes above and beyond on a consistent basis, you are invited to nominate them for employee of the month. Information is available on the District’s website: [www.charlottenet.org](http://www.charlottenet.org) or feel free to call 541-5101 for more information.