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The Council for Exceptional Children Names Special Education Teacher at Chisholm Elementary School a 2023 Special Educator Rising Star

Arlington, Va., January 19, 2023 — Angela Miller, M.Ed., a support facilitation teacher at Chisholm Elementary School in New Smyrna Beach, Florida, was named a recipient of the 2023 Rising Star Special Educator of the Year Award from the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). The award recognizes a CEC member K-12 teacher who is in the first five years of their special education career who exemplifies the best in special education practices.

Angela works with a team of 19 exceptional student educators (ESE), 11 of whom are either new to ESE, new to the state, or new to the school. There are an incredible number of moving parts to what special educators do, and Angela has singlehandedly ensured, of her own accord, every one of her team has what they need. From spending countless hours compiling progress monitoring and case management binders to using her planning period to sit in and model lessons for fellow teachers.

Angela is proactive, thinking many steps ahead and anticipating the needs of students, colleagues, and the campus.” Says Kadie Mullins, one of Miller’s nominators. “She mentors team members, and she has committed to ensuring their success, for the success of their students. For Angela, no question has been too big, too small, or too redundant.”

“Whether she is bringing energy and enthusiasm to a reading lesson or is coaching a student towards his or her independent functioning goal in the classroom, Ms. Miller makes an incredible impact on her students, writes Melissa Marple, Chisholm Elementary School’s principal

Angela will be recognized during the awards luncheon, on March 2, 2023, during the CEC Convention and Expo in Louisville, KY.



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