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FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS ANNOUNCES 2026-2027 STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR

The Farmington Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools Jess Giannini are proud to announce that Chantal Tetro, Custodian Supervisor, Second Shift at Farmington High School, has been named the 2026-2027 Staff Member of the Year for Farmington Public Schools.

Chantal has been a valued member of the Farmington Public Schools community for 17 years, bringing strong leadership, professionalism, and a genuine commitment to supporting students, faculty, staff, and families. As a member of the evening custodial team at Farmington High School, her impact extends well beyond her daily responsibilities. Her strong work ethic, attention to detail, and ability to anticipate needs have made a lasting difference in the school community and earned her the respect and trust of those around her.

Chantal takes great pride in ensuring that Farmington High School is a safe, welcoming, and well-maintained environment for everyone. Whether supporting a school event, responding to an unexpected need, assisting a colleague, or making sure the details of a busy evening come together seamlessly, she approaches every task with positivity, professionalism, and a spirit of service. Her leadership has helped foster a culture of high expectations, collaboration, and care within the FHS community.

Through her work, Chantal exemplifies Farmington Public Schools' Vision of the Global Citizen. She contributes to a culture of respect, belonging, collaboration, and pride while modeling compassion, responsibility, resilience, and a commitment to others. While much of her work happens behind the scenes, its impact is visible throughout the school community, making Chantal truly deserving of this recognition.

Superintendent Giannini states, "If you have spent any time at Farmington High School, it is likely you have crossed paths with Chantal. She is always present at events, making sure every detail is covered, from the room temperature to having enough tables and chairs. She has an incredible ability to anticipate what is needed and is always willing to step in and help. All of our staff are deeply dedicated to the success and well-being of our students, and Chantal is a wonderful example of that commitment. While much of her work happens behind the scenes, her impact is felt throughout the entire school community."

Sam Kilpatrick, School Facilities Director, commented, "As the Supervisor of the second shift FHS custodial team, Chantal Tetro creates an environment of high expectations, clear communication, and respect. She is an empowered learner who has grown with every opportunity since she came to Farmington as a Cleaner; a disciplined thinker who anticipates problems and provides solutions; and an engaged collaborator who understands the needs of the multitude of people and organizations she interacts with on any given night at Farmington High School. Chantal has become a leader among our entire FPS Facilities organization, and we are truly fortunate to have her on our team."

Board Chair Andrea Sobinski commented, "Chantal Tetro represents the very best of the dedicated staff who make Farmington Public Schools such a special place. Her commitment to serving others, her willingness to step in wherever she is needed, and the pride she takes in her work have made a lasting impact on the Farmington High School community. Chantal reminds us that every role in our schools matters and that the care and dedication of our staff are essential to creating an environment where students and staff can thrive."

Upon being selected Staff Member of the Year Chantal Tetro commented, "I feel honored, humbled, and incredibly grateful. I never expected to receive this award, and knowing that my hard work and dedication were recognized means the world to me. It's a reminder that every role in a school matters, and I'm proud to be a part of a team that supports our students and staff every day".

Brief Bio:

Chantal has served Farmington Public Schools for 17 years, including the past 16 years at Farmington High School. She began her career as a cleaner in August 2009 before being

promoted to Custodian in April 2016 and Custodial Supervisor in January 2021. Throughout her career, Chantal has been dedicated to creating a safe, clean, and welcoming environment where students and staff can thrive. Among her most meaningful accomplishments are leading the transition into the new Farmington High School building and helping implement critical COVID-19 safety measures during the pandemic. She takes great pride in supporting the school community each day and is honored to be recognized for her commitment, leadership, and dedicated service.