



# BUNKER HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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*"Bulldog...It's more than our mascot; it's our character"*

*Michael J. D'Ostilio  
Principal*

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Assistant Principal*

November 1, 2021

Dear Bulldog Families,

Each year, we ask the community to nominate a teacher and/or an educational support professional to receive the distinguished award of Teacher of the Year or Educational Support Professional of the Year. While these awards are given out every year, when a teacher/staff member gets a nomination from a child, the parent of a child, or one of their colleagues, it means the world to them. To be acknowledged by the community for the effort and the love they give on a routine basis validates their efforts and provides a much-deserved recognition to individuals who give so much.

This year is even more important to provide the recognition. For each of us...students, parents, teachers, staff, this pandemic has rocked our world, country, and community. While life slowed down for a bit, everyone's job and career has seen an increase in stress from frontline workers to first responders, to retail and restaurant workers who work in understaffed environments, etc., the ability to persevere at work has grown immensely difficult. There no longer seems to be enough hours in the day and many of America's workers are working extra hours just to try to accomplish their daily duties. That is a new reality for everyone.

In the education profession, once a year, we have an opportunity to nominate teachers and other educational professionals. It is our opportunity to say, "Thank You."

Please see the links below. These links provide district nomination forms. Please consider nominating an educator in our district. While your child is at Bunker Hill, these are universal forms where you can nominate any professional in the any of the buildings. Thank you in advance for taking the time to make someone's day. Please follow the information on the links on the following page as to how to submit your nomination. The best option is to email the building's principal's secretary. For our school, it is Debbie DiJohn. [ddijohn@wtps.org](mailto:ddijohn@wtps.org).

**Teacher of the Year:**

<https://www.wtps.org/cms/lib/NJ01912980/Centricity/Domain/4/Teacher%20of%20the%20Year%20Nomination%20Form%202021-22.pdf>

**Educational Support Professional of the Year:**

<https://www.wtps.org/cms/lib/NJ01912980/Centricity/Domain/4/Educational%20Services%20Professional%20of%20Year%202021-22.pdf>

Very Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike D'Ostilio". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mike" and last name "D'Ostilio" clearly distinguishable.

Mike D'Ostilio