

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

Jessica Backscheider
Franklin City Schools



Jessica Backscheider has been teaching at Hunter Elementary in Franklin City School District for 18 years. She has spent most of her career teaching 2nd and 3rd grade and currently teaches 3rd grade. Jessica believes it is vital for students to learn about their environment and appreciate it as well. She frequently leads students in participating in Project Based Learning Projects about Ohio Endangered Animals in which students research, hosting guest speakers, and presenting their research to parents and peers.

Jessica has always enjoyed reaching out into the community to have guests and speakers in her classroom, and for the past 5 years she has worked closely with Warren Co SWCD to bring conservation education programs to Hunter Elementary. Warren Co SWCD is impressed by Jessica's commitment to connecting what her students have learned in the classroom with programs offered and for embracing collaborations and experiences that strengthen her student's understanding and stewardship of our world. For these reasons, we are thrilled to present her with the award of Warren Co SWCD Educator of the Year.