Dear: Parents, Guardians, and Educational Staff

My name is Linda Koepf and I am the Chairperson to the Sanilac County Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (PAC). This group reviews and gives advice regarding the special education plan and services offered in the school districts of Sanilac County.

One of the activities we support is the STRIPES Award. This is an award which recognizes individuals in our schools and community who support children who require special education services. This might be a good opportunity to ask your child who they think helps during their school day and what special things that person does to assist them. It may be a teacher, classroom aide, lunch room personnel, therapist, principal, bus driver, counselor or any other person who might touch your child's life in a meaningful way. Some of our staff is hesitant to send this home, as they do not want you to think they are asking for your recognition. I would like to encourage you to take a few moments to fill out the enclosed form to commend the efforts of any individual who might encourage, support or enrich a child's life who receives Special Education.

The STRIPES presentation is in the spring in which the recipients of the award will be honored. Again, please take this opportunity to acknowledge the wonderful people who touch the lives of our treasured children.

I would also like to invite and encourage you to contact me with any comments, questions or suggestions you may have with special education services in our district. I will do my best to facilitate getting your questions asked or getting information to the right people.

Linda Koepf 810-404-1919

EARN YOUR STRIPES

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The members of the SISD PAC (Sanilac Intermediate School District Parent Advisory Committee) are looking for a few good *mentors*. We would like to recognize individuals or group of individuals who make a difference in the life of a special education student(s). We need your help. If you know that special someone who has gone above and beyond with their devotion and dedication to improve the quality of life for a person(s) with disabilities, please share that information with us. This may be an outstanding teacher, a compassionate administrator, a tireless therapist, a caring aide, organization, or group. This wonderful individual or group may even be a special parent or volunteer that is making the world a better place for someone with special needs.

Please fill in the areas below and help us commend them for their efforts.

NAME:

SCHOOL:

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

POSITION:

DISTRICT:

On the back of this form, please describe why you feel this person should be recognized as an outstanding individual.

Your Name:

Phone:

Address:

Please complete this form and return it to your local district's Special Education Designee, or mail to:

Sanilac Intermediate School District Attn: Emma Navarro, Director of Special Education 46 North Jackson Street Sandusky, MI 48471

All nominations must be received prior to Monday, February 1, 2019.

Winners will be recognized at the Sanilac ISD Board Meeting on Monday, May 20, 2019.

Please give the nominee's name and reason that person should be recognized:

NAME:

Why I'm nominating:

Thank you.