

## December Students of the Month – Empathy



Kindergarten - Mrs. Heuer. Jasmine Boyd is the student of the month in Mrs. Heuer's Kindergarten class. Jasmine shows empathy towards others in many different ways. The first way is that she is a good role model to others in our class. She tries hard to follow directions, always tries her best and strives to learn as much as she can. Next, Jasmine shows a warm and caring heart towards others. She wants everyone to feel good and she goes out of her way to help make that happen. Last, Jasmine has a very positive attitude towards everything we do in school and she shares this attitude with others and she always comes to school with a smile on her face! This helps to create a fun and safe learning environment in our class. Congratulations, Jasmine!

Kindergarten - Miss Miller. Benjamin Rabe is the student of the month in Miss Miller's kindergarten class. Ben shows empathy towards others in many different ways. First, he is a good role model for others in many different ways. He follows directions and tries his best. Next, Ben shows a warm and caring heart towards others. He wants everyone to feel good and goes out of his way to make that happen. If Ben does anything wrong, he is quick to apologize. Lastly, Ben has a positive attitude towards the things we do in kindergarten. This helps create a fun and safe learning environment in our class. Congratulations Ben!

Grade One - Miss Byrd/Mrs. Neumann. The citizenship theme for the month of December is showing EMPATHY. Benson Lindstrom is a first grade student that cares about others and their feelings. He is also a student that demonstrates and practices the Golden Rule, "Treat Others The Way You Want To Be Treated!" Benson is aware of other people's feelings and will help someone if they are upset. He knows how to comfort a friend and help if they need to fix a problem. He is an awesome student that treats others with kindness and respect. Congratulations Ben on being selected for the December student of the month!

Grade One - Mrs. Pavlenko. I am happy to nominate Kaia Karstens for our December Student of the Month because she is a great example of a kind and compassionate person. Her gentle and empathetic heart helps to show her friends and teachers that she cares about them. If someone is having a bad day, is hurt, or needs a friend, I know Kaia has quietly and peacefully helped them in any way she can, whether it is opening and holding the door for others, helping them pick up their materials off of the floor, or drawing a picture on everyone's kindness bulbs during the holiday season to brighten their spirits. While completing her close reader, or during work time, Kaia will pick a variety of different people to read or work with, and will always do a fantastic job of taking turns, collaborating, and listening. Kaia has shown immense dedication in not only being a good classmate and friend, but being a good student as well. She continually helps others and, in the month since joining Winsted Elementary, has shown that she is of tremendous value to our classroom and school. For that reason, I would like to recognize Kaia for a job well done! Great job, Kaia!

Grade Two - Mrs. Carlson. December's theme of empathy has been shown by James many times in the classroom. James is continually able to show that he cares for his classmates at all times. If someone is hurt, he is the first to pick them up. James demonstrates his ability to feel and connect with others through his actions. He can put himself in another person's shoes to know how they might feel. James makes a great friend because he is empathetic. I am excited to call James the student of the month for December!

Grade Two - Mrs. Eastling. I nominate Mila Gagner for student of the month for Empathy. Mila is always quick to give a hug. She cares about fellow classmates and teachers' feelings. Mila always has a kind word to say when someone is feeling down or having a bad day. She is kind, thoughtful, and caring!

Grade Three - Mrs. LaMott. Congratulations to Hannah Marquette for being selected student of the month from Mrs. LaMott's classroom! Hannah is a thoughtful and compassionate person. Her kind and helpful heart shows her friends, teachers, and staff that she cares about them. If someone is having a bad day, Hannah will always help them in any way that she can. Hannah's smile lights up our classroom and we are lucky to have her as part of our Winsted family. Congratulations Hannah and keep up the good work! :)

Grade Three - Mrs. Wadman/Mrs. Sanken. Annikka Krause displays December's theme of Empathy in and out of the classroom and in many different situations. Annikka continually shows her kindness when she notices others feeling sad or hurt. She understands how to problem solve with friends and makes a plan. Her helpfulness in the classroom is appreciated. She sees what needs to be done and does it without being asked. That's why Annikka is having a successful year in 3rd grade! I am proud to announce Annikka student of the month for December!

Grade Four - Mrs. Gallagher. The December student of the month for Mrs. Gallagher's class is Haddie Gagner. This month's theme is empathy. Haddie is able to recognize the emotions of a friend or classmate and uses kind words for those who need to hear them. Haddie is a good friend to many classmates. When someone needs to talk about something that is going on in their life, she can find the right words to show she cares. Haddie is a great choice for student of the month because she has so many good character traits. She is patient when waiting her turn, and generous and kind by thinking of others. She is also respectful and responsible. Haddie knows that some things are hard and take perseverance, but she has the grit to keep on trying! We are glad to have Haddie in our class. Congratulations Haddie

Grade Four - Mr. Goudy. Sadie Crawford is the student of the month for December's theme of Empathy. Sadie was new to our building this year but quickly built relationships with classmates and staff. She has the ability to understand others emotions on a deep level. She listens well to her friends and comforts them when needed. She is very patient and doesn't need to be first in line for things. She does very well at picking up social cues in our classroom, like when to be quiet and when to be silly. What a great year she is having, congrats Sadie!