

4th Grade

Olivia Schaefer and Gianna Tuosto-

I would like to nominate 2 students for a DTRT t-shirt. It's rare to find a student who does the "right thing" all of the time. Therefore, finding two is pretty much a miracle. I am grateful for the humble way these girls always do their best and also help to bring out the best in their peers. They consistently offer assistance to struggling students and are always willing to lend a helping hand to make sure our classroom looks presentable. They follow directions the first time they are asked, and attempt to encourage their peers to do the same.

These two girls are truly diligent students who never offer any excuses, but rather take ownership and learn from their mistakes to improve. I think that is the most important and refreshing thing of all. We should never strive to be perfect, but rather be the best versions of ourselves we can possibly be. I see that in these two young girls and I honestly hope it never fades away. 4th grade students- Olivia Schaefer and Gianna Tuosto.

Samantha Stokes-

This young lady is only in fourth grade, but she exemplifies a popular quote that Mrs. Stalb's fifth graders are familiar with. In *Wonder*, RJ Palacio encourages people to be, "Kinder than is **necessary**. Because it is not enough to be kind. One should be kinder than needed." I have witnessed this young lady in situations with children who haven't always been thoughtful or kind to others. She never lashes out or joins in. She gives others the benefit of the doubt. She CHOOSES kindness, which isn't always easy. Which leads to another befitting quote from *Wonder*, "Courage. Kindness. Friendship. Character. These are qualities that define us as human beings, and propel us, on occasion, to greatness." Samantha Stokes, please come up, you deserve it.

Carter Grande-

This young man is a student who always can be found working hard, and always willing to lend a helping hand. He always has a smile on his face and never complains about how much work he is given. As a student in our class he consistently works well with others during group work. He participates and adds valuable insight to our class discussions. He is capable of great things and is an asset to Highland School. Carter Grande is a good, kind friend to those who know him. He is not too bad at Knock –out either.