



Green Bay Education Association

The relationship between a student and a teacher can impact a child's love of learning for life. All three of our children have had the privilege of being in Kathy Blaney's fourth grade class at Wilder Elementary school. What we have seen happening with our children in her classroom is amazing. My son and daughters would come home and give us a new Wisconsin history fact daily. She turned her countertops and classroom walls into a mini museum to make Wisconsin history come alive for her students. Ms. Blaney even has a four foot Birch bark canoe hanging on her wall among many other artifacts she collects to spark their interest. You can tell she gets so much joy and satisfaction from seeing her students' enthusiasm and excitement while learning about our great state.

There is a mutual respect between Ms. Blaney and her students. My son Alex used to say that Ms. Blaney made him want to go to school. He said she would always compliment them all on the work they did, even if they didn't do so well. She has a gentle kindness about her. My oldest daughter Maria remembers Ms. Blaney always caring about everyone. Ms. Blaney has a way of making each student feel that they are important and valued, and that their ideas are important and valued as well. If a student struggles in any area, she spends time with them until they understand. She goes above and beyond for each and every student.

TEACHERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

This is our final year with Ms. Blaney. My youngest daughter Julia has a huge love of learning and shares things with her classroom. She loves to bring things in that she thinks Ms. Blaney would find interesting to share. Julia talks endlessly about her teacher, and again we are learning so much from her about Wisconsin history. Julia says Ms. Blaney makes learning so much fun!

Kathy Blaney is one of the most enthusiastic, caring and kind individuals I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. She has made a huge difference in the lives of our children. You can tell she loves what she does and that each child is important to her. We are so blessed to have Ms. Blaney teaching our children. Thank you Kathy!

Donna Schumacher



Kathy Blaney, Julie, Alex and Maria (Wilder Elementary School)

The Green Bay Education Association represents 1,800 Green Bay public school educators.

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