

Mary Frank Elementary

Fifth Grade Students

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Dear Foundation Members,

We, the 5th grade students of Mary Frank Elementary School, would like to nominate our teacher, Mrs. Alexandra Banks, for the Jeneane Arter Excellence in Education award.

Mrs. Banks co-teaches with Mrs. Erin Horvath, so we've asked Mrs. Horvath to help us submit this letter (and be the grown up responsible for submitting our work).

Mrs. Banks has made this really difficult year fun for us. We have been able to learn a lot because of what she's done for us.

We used a Google form to ask everyone to write one sentence answering this question : What does Mrs. Banks do that makes coming to school fun, or makes her the best teacher ever? Here are some of our answers:

By making sure she does fun things to get a smile on our faces. - Cubby W.

She makes boring things fun and exciting- Reid C.

Mrs. Banks is so nice, funny, and is the best teacher ever!- Chloe R.

I love it when she gets excited during morning meetings, it always makes me happy.- Lexi J.

Mrs.Banks creates and comes up with fun activities for us to learn new things.- Kim L.

I love Mrs.Banks because she is so fun and she can make anything possible. - Josie B.

Mrs. Banks always cares for everyone in need and she loves us all very much. We would be a mess without her! - Marie E.

She is always happy and supportive and she knows how to make you laugh and feel better, she also plans really fun things for us and is the best teacher you could ever have! - Madison B.

Mrs. Banks makes coming to school fun because she is so funny, she helps you with whatever you need, and if you are ever feeling down, she'll make you feel so much better.- Addison H.

Mrs. Banks she is super awesome in general but she is super funny and she does a bunch of things to make our classroom the best ever.- Emily S.

Mrs. Banks makes school fun because she lets us sit where we want, she is enthusiastic, and she is very involved and helps us whenever we need, one last thing she does is she pumps us up and does different voices.- Matthew S.

She is always positive, she has a lot of energy, overall she is the best in general! - Braxton R.

Those are just a few of our responses. We all love her so much, we could go on and on and on about her.

Mrs. Banks created a website for our classroom that made it easier to learn when we were all learning from home at the beginning of the year. We think you should check it out to see it for yourself! If you go to: <https://sites.google.com/phm.k12.in.us/maryfe5thwebsite/home> you can see the hard work she put into the website. We still use it at school every day to do our assignments. She's made it so easy for us to follow if we have to be home. Some of us have been sick or have had to quarantine because of covid, because of our website, we don't get behind! If you don't believe us, you should take a look at our ClearSight Interim scores. Not to brag or anything, but we crushed our winter test. We're told that our scores were the #1 out of all of PHM's elementary schools. We couldn't have done that without Mrs. Banks. She inspires us to do our best every single day. We are better students and better humans because of Mrs. Banks.

All 41 students in our class really hope that you will consider Mrs. Banks for this award. She's amazing. She deserves to be recognized for everything she does for us. We don't think you will find anyone better to give your award to than Mrs. Bankis.

Sincerely,

Our Class:

Rowan, Josie, Cole, Alaina, Addison C., Bella, Coltan, Chloe H., Ian, Wilder, Lexi, Kim, Chloe M., Braxton, Joey, Emily, Sophie, Matt, Cubby, Chloe W., Neal, Sid, Lilah, Madison, Lauren, Reid, Brody, Cannon, Marie, Jackson, Alexis, Addison H, Panayoti, Olivia, Lily, Maeve, Eli, Ryker, Chloe R., Raedyn, Emerson.