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Christina Cahill of Rolla to Receive NDU ESP of the Year Award

BISMARCK, N.D. – The 11,500 members of North Dakota United and our local affiliate, Rolla Education Association, are proud to announce that Christina Cahill, a paraprofessional at Mt. Pleasant K-12 School in Rolla, has been selected as the 2021 NDU Education Support Professional of the Year.

A staff meeting is being held virtually at 3:30 p.m. CDT, and Cahill will be named the ESP of the Year in a surprise announcement by ND United President Nick Archuleta. Cahill was nominated for this award by the members of the Rolla Education Association and NEA Director Brenda Seehafer. Please do not publish information about this event until after 4:00 p.m. today.

Cahill has worked for the Rolla school system for several years, and previous to her employment there, she worked at Turtle Mountain Head Start in Belcourt. “She does an excellent job working with our students,” Seehafer said. “With Chris, it is all about the student and getting the student to accomplish what the student needs to accomplish or just getting the student to relax or calm down. She just has that way with students in that she can get them to relax.”

The NDU ESP of the Year Award annually recognizes an outstanding ESP member of our state association whose position betters the education profession and the lives of students. ESP job categories include: paraprofessional, education assistant, secretarial or clerical, custodial, food services, maintenance and trades, transportation, grounds-keeping, security, technology services, health services and others.

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