

HOMETOWN HERO:

Sarah Eichhorn

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Sarah Eichhorn is the school psychologist at Marley Elementary School, where she is an advocate for students with autism. Her role within our school community is multifaceted. First, she serves students. Part of her responsibility is to meet with students individually to support their social, emotional and academic growth. Watching Ms. Eichhorn interact with students provides a glimpse of how much our autism spectrum students benefit from her dedication. When our students are walking with Ms. Eichhorn, you hear pleasant interactions often sprinkled with laughter. To see students who often struggle in the area of social interaction meet success with Ms. Eichhorn is heartwarming to our entire school community. In addition, Ms. Eichhorn has a weekly “lunch bunch” with our ASD students. Within our school community, we know that no other meeting can be scheduled during this time! Ms. Eichhorn holds firm to her commitment to her “lunch bunch” students.

Furthermore, Ms. Eichhorn supports the professionals within our school building to better understand the challenges experienced by our ASD students by sending us articles and offering suggestions for social and academic strategies to support their success. Finally, Ms. Eichhorn is an outstanding resource for parents. Her optimism for each student’s success coupled with an in-depth knowledge or resources and strategies helps parents leave our schoolhouse feeling that they can meet the challenges that ASD present.

Ms. Eichhorn is a Hometown Hero to Marley Elementary School because of her unwavering commitment, in-depth knowledge, and consistent passion to make a difference in the lives of our students on the autism spectrum.