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LINCOLN, Neb. - The Nebraska School Activities Association is proud to present the inaugural NSAA Above and Beyond Award, celebrating individuals whose dedication and service make a profound impact within their school communities. Today, we are honored to recognize an extraordinary individual who truly embodies the spirit of going above and beyond—Mark Randolph from West Holt Public Schools.



Mark serves as West Holt's Transportation Director and Custodian, but his contributions extend far beyond any job description. Described as a servant at heart, Mark is the kind of person who quietly and consistently makes life better for those around him. Whether it's driving buses through snowstorms to ensure students arrive safely, preparing classrooms for a new day, or simply offering a kind word of encouragement, Mark's unwavering dedication is evident in every action.

As a bus driver, Mark has logged countless miles, transporting students to field trips, FFA and FCCLA events, music performances, athletic competitions, and even church mission trips. Coaches and staff alike have often relied on Mark's vast knowledge of Nebraska roads, giving them peace of mind knowing they're in the safest hands. His calm presence and genuine care ensure every journey is a secure and positive experience.

In his role as a custodian, Mark brings joy and warmth to every corner of West Holt. From ensuring the school is clean and welcoming, to checking in on teachers and staff just to see how they're doing, his kindness and willingness to help never waver. It's not uncommon to find Mark lending a hand with a smile, no matter the task. As Transportation Director, Mark treats his responsibilities as more than a job—it's his life's work. Maintaining West Holt's fleet of vehicles with meticulous care, he ensures each bus and van is road-ready, both inside and out. And when it comes to assigning drivers for school events, Mark often volunteers himself—not because he has to, but because he genuinely loves being there for the students and staff.

Beyond his official roles, Mark's dedication to his community is unmatched. He even opens the local coffee shop each morning, simply to lend a helping hand. His support and positivity provide a sense of comfort, offering a smile and words of encouragement after both wins and losses.

Mark's connection with the students is remarkable. He knows their interests, passions, and favorite songs, making every ride feel like a moment of joy and belonging. His kindness, humility, and selflessness have left an indelible mark on West Holt, and his legacy of service will inspire generations to come.

Please join us in congratulating the NSAA's first-ever Above and Beyond Award recipient—Mark Randolph. Thank you, Mark, for your unwavering dedication and the countless ways you make West Holt a better place, every single day.