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NOE NAMED BARTOW COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM TEACHER OF THE YEAR

BARTOW COUNTY, Ga. (November 5, 2018) – Tears, laughter, and loud applause electrified the Booth Western Art Museum on November 1 as Kaylie Noe was named Bartow County School System Teacher of the Year!

"I am incredibly honored and humbled to receive the title," says Noe. "There are so many AMAZING teachers at Adairsville High School and in Bartow County; I feel truly blessed to have even been nominated as Teacher of the Year much less to be chosen overall."

Noe, in her eighth year at Adairsville High School, earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Education and Spanish from Kennesaw State University. She now serves as a member of the Leadership, Instructional, and Operational Teams, Student Support Team Coordinator to help atrisk students, and Department Chair for the Foreign Language Department. In addition to those professional roles and responsibilities, Noe serves as the Head Competition and Football Cheerleading Coach at Adairsville High School.

"My high school Spanish teacher, Mrs. Simmons, is the reason I decided to become a Spanish teacher – she made me excited to come to class each day and learn, and I decided I wanted to have that same impact on students," adds Noe.

That awe-inspiring ability to connect with students resonates with cheerleader Addie Joslin.

"She has taught me to work hard and don't be scared to run after my goals for myself," says Joslin. "She also pushes us to do our best, and her classroom is a safe place to try, even if we do not succeed."

Jessica Lee, a pre-K teacher at Emerson Elementary School, and Aubrey Berg, an art teacher from South Central Middle School, join Noe as Bartow County Teacher of the Year finalists.

Other Teachers of the Year honored at the November banquet were Danyalle Eckert from Adairsville Elementary, Elizabeth Massengale from Allatoona Elementary, Christy Abernathy from Clear Creek Elementary, Amanda Stover from Cloverleaf Elementary, Teresa Cates from Euharlee Elementary, Andrew May from Hamilton Crossing Elementary, Heather Moulder from Kingston Elementary, Donna Guyton from Mission Road Elementary, Morgan King from Pine Log Elementary, Ellen Greer from Taylorsville Elementary, Julie VanTonder from White Elementary, Emily Stewart from Adairsville Middle, Cheyanne Bagwell from Cass Middle, Chris Taylor from Woodland Middle, Cicily Hardin from Bartow County College and Career Academy, Stefanie Rolen from Cass High, and Tammy Queen from Woodland High.

Collectively, the group received more than \$13,500 in prizes from 40 different sponsors across Bartow County and beyond.

"To know that I'm among the best of the best is very humbling and very exciting for me," says Bartow County School System Superintendent Dr. Phillip Page. "I encourage these teachers, as instructional and building leaders, to make an even greater impact on their schools by helping other colleagues attain new levels of success."

"My advice for other teachers in the system would be to love your students like they are your own – that will help you to do any and everything to ensure their success both inside and outside the classroom," says Noe. "Make sure they know you love them. I am the teacher I am because of my amazing students – they push me to be better."

Noe will now represent the Bartow County School District in the Georgia Teacher of the Year competition next spring.

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