



# BAIRD 2023 Excellence Awards

In Recognition of  
Outstanding Educators

September 11, 2023 • 5:30 p.m.

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## Reception

*Welcome*—Jim Allen, Vice Chairman of Baird

*Greetings From the Mayor*—Mayor Craig Greenberg

*Remarks from the Superintendent*—Dr. Marty Pollio

*Award Presentation*—Carolyn Callahan, Chief of Communications, Emcee

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## Baird Teacher of Excellence Awards

### Principal ES

Shervita West  
*Principal, Brandeis Elementary School*

### Principal MS

Kara Ammerman  
*Principal, Echo Trail Middle School*

### Principal HS

Brandy Corbin  
*Principal, Fairdale High School*

### Teacher ES

Crystal Colston  
*Teacher, Medora Elementary School*

### Teacher MS

Amanda Thompson  
*Teacher, Western Middle School for the Arts*

### Teacher HS

Pam Vanegas  
*Teacher, Valley High School*

### Student Nominated

Sade Graves  
*Teacher, Grace James Academy of Excellence*

### Academic Instructional Coach

Nicole Peters  
*Teacher, Bates Elementary School*

### PLC ES

Third Grade—Elizabeth Brawner, Emily Wilkerson, Ava Vanderkolff  
*Breckinridge-Franklin Elementary School*

### PLC MS

Eighth-Grade Math—Jennifer Kiser, Robin Stacy, Amber Richardson  
*Meyzeek Middle School*

### PLC HS

Ninth-Grade English—Paidin Dermody, Hayley Hundley, Michele Lynch, Kim Walker, Maggie Emberton  
*Butler Traditional High School*

### FRYSC

Carmelita Weakley  
*Fern Creek and Wheatley Elementary School*

### Health Services Excellence Award

Michelle Bruce  
*Nurse, District Health Services*

### Financial Literacy Leadership Award

Wendy Carlton  
*Teacher, Crosby Middle School*





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## Community Awards

### YMCA Award for Youth Development

Suzanne Wright  
*Executive Administrator, Project  
Management*

### Metro United Way Out of School Time Leadership

Judith Wilson  
*Title I Parent/Family Engagement*

### Metro United Way Early Care and Education Award

Dr. Terri Davenport  
*EC Compliance & Comprehensive  
Services Specialist*

### Class Act Federal Credit Union Teacher Award

Alex Claycomb  
*Teacher, Ramsey Middle School*

### Bellarmino University Teaching Award

Kaitlyn Bratcher  
*Teacher, Phoenix School of Discovery*

### Kentucky Science Center Teacher Award

La'Tonya Frazier-Goatley  
*Principal, Grace James Academy of  
Excellence*

### Unistar Purchasing Solutions FRYSC Award

Tiffanie Schweinhart  
*Southern High School*

### Audwin and Rae Helton Teacher Award—1

Desiree Brown  
*Teacher, King Elementary School*

### Audwin and Rae Helton Teacher Award—2

Jauntrice Denson  
*Teacher, King Elementary School*

### University of Louisville Teacher Award

Caitlyn Workman  
*Teacher, Westport Middle School*

### The Barbara Sexton Smith Teacher Award presented by Fund for the Arts

Dr. Luke Darville  
*Teacher, Western Middle School for  
the Arts*

### Junior Achievement Administrator Award

Kim Morales  
*Executive Administrator, High Schools*

### Special Education Teacher Award

Stacy Bewley  
*ECE, Community Relations*

### Russell Garth Principal Award

Shuvon Ray  
*Principal, Price Elementary School*

### Jefferson Community & Technical College

Jason Longenbach  
*Teacher, Southern High School*

### Evolve502 Champion Award

Ashley Poore  
*Teacher, Ballard High School*

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