## Covington Independent Public Schools Board of Education Monthly Recognition Nomination Form

☐ Certified Employee of the Month☐ Classified Employee of the Month☐ Volunteer of the Month☐	Date: February 8, 2024
Nominee's name: Chris Gastright  Volunteer's work location: John G Carlisle	

Submitted by: Tara Bell and Lunch Buddy Position: Principal

We would like to recognize Chris Gastright for his loyalty to John G. Carlisle.

Chris is the definition of kindness and compassion. He has been a mentor with the Covington Partners Mentoring Program since 2021 and has been matched with his current mentee for over a year. Chris always demonstrates empathy and thoughtfulness when he meets with his mentee and is one of our most dependable and consistent lunch buddies. Chris is a classic example of a great role model and is a positive force in the life of his mentee.

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Chris is always pleasant and complimentary to staff and students at JGC. His current mentee has so many positive things to say. He especially loves that Chris plans many engaging activities for him. He says, "Chris is so patient when teaching me. Especially when he taught me to play chess." The student loves that Chris takes the time to listen and understand how he is feeling. He feels safe talking to Chris and enjoys his visits with him.

Staff at JGC enjoy interacting with Chris when he arrives as well. He is always kind and thoughtful. He is part of our family and we appreciate him for supporting JGC students.

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