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Stacy Saxon Receives James Becker Thomson Award

Stacy Saxon, Life Skills teacher at Ross S. Sterling High School is the recipient of the 2014-2015 James Becker Thomson award, presented annually to a Goose Creek CISD teacher for excellence in special education. This is the 40th year the award, established by Dr. Richard Thomson in honor of his brother James, has been presented to a Goose Creek CISD teacher.

Stacy has worked for Goose Creek CISD for more than 20 years with special needs students and their families. A graduate of Robert E. Lee High School, she has volunteered for Special Olympics since she was in high school. She has taken teams to National and International Special Olympics Games. Stacy works tirelessly as a Special Olympics coach and reaches out to families to get their students involved in Special Olympics and Unified Volleyball.

At Sterling, she collaborates with other teachers in coordinating her students' curriculum and IEPs, assisting them with planning and executing academic and behavior programs. To keep her Life Skills students engaged, Stacy designs activities and programs, such as the Ranger Brew Coffee Shop and the Life Skills Garden, which teach transitional and vocational skills.



Kevin Foxworth (left), Ross S. Sterling High School principal, and Dr. Tom Kelchner (right), director of special education for Goose Creek CISD, congratulate Stacy Saxon, Sterling Life Skills teacher, on being the 40th recipient of the James Becker Thomson award for excellence in special education.

"Stacy is a longtime district employee committed to serving our special needs students," said Dr. Tom Kelchner, director of special education. "She works with some of the most severely disabled students in our Life Skills program, helping them develop living skills. She also has played a significant role in our Special Olympics program. Stacy's dedication to all students, particularly those with disabilities, is an example for all of us."

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