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2022-2023 Hope Township School Governor's Educator of the Year

Mrs. Nicola Hall

Nicola Hall has been teaching for 12 years as a Special Education Teacher. She has worked with every grade level Kindergarten through High School. She has held multiple positions at Hope School including: Resource Room teacher grades 1-8, Basic Skills teacher 1-5, and Multiple Disabilities teacher grades K-3. This year, she works with multiple students as a Resource Room Teacher in Grades Fifth to Eighth grade in Reading, Writing, and Math.

Nicola grew up in Hackettstown, receiving her Bachelors of Science in Elementary and Special Education and Master's in Education in Reading and Supervisor study. She has multiple certifications including: Special Education Certification, Elementary Education Certification, Teacher of Supplemental Support, Reading Specialist Certification and Supervisor Certification. In addition to her teaching at Hope School, she has worked for the Department of Education as a Curricular Framework Writer.

Nicola holds many membership positions that keep her active in school and the education community. Nicola is a chair leader of the PRIDE committee at our School. PRIDE in Public Education is a campaign that shares the successes of New Jersey's public schools while building community support and involvement. She is also a member of New Jersey Education Association, Hope Education Association, Early Learning Book Club, Digital Learning and Leadership Community and Learning Associates Community.

Nicola's creativity and love of learning makes students engage in lessons and learning. She describes her students as creative and open-minded and appreciates her students' eagerness to learn. Nicola's goal as a teacher is to show children that learning is something enjoyable, exciting, and unlimited. She prides herself on building relationships with her students, showing them their value and worth, and leading them to success by giving them resources they need to succeed. Nicola wants her students to become life-long learners who question, wonder, and explore throughout every facet of their lives. She attributes her own great teachers and models for education she had through her learning, and likes to give back to young learners and provide the same type of excitement for learning that she had. It is with heartfelt gratitude that she accepts this honor.

