



# Aurora Public Schools

## School Nutrition Employees Honored

May 7-11 is School Nutrition Employee Week. Preparing healthy school meals, promoting good nutrition habits and offering a friendly greeting are all in a day's work for the more than 300 school nutrition employees in Aurora Public Schools.

School nutrition employees must balance many roles and follow numerous local, state and federal regulations to ensure safe and healthy meals are available in our schools.

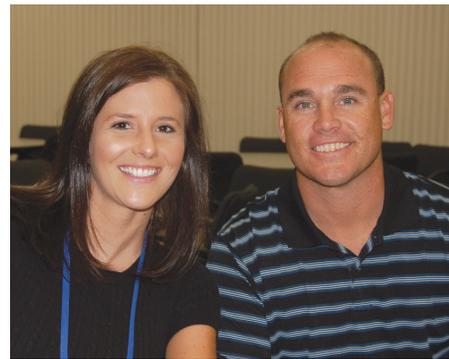
The APS Nutrition Services Department promotes healthy eating by cooking many meals from scratch to control the nutritional content of food served to students.

APS thanks Nutrition Services employees for helping our students maintain healthy lifestyles.



## APS Celebrates National Teacher Week

As we near the end of the school year and celebrate the success of our students and graduates, Aurora Public Schools also celebrates one of this organization's most integral parts: our teachers.



Tuesday, May 8 is National Teacher Day, and APS joins other communities nationwide to honor these outstanding educators. National Teacher Appreciation Week is May 7-11.

Our teachers continue to be some of the best in the nation! Ninety-nine percent of our teachers are highly qualified under the federal No Child Left Behind requirements, which ensures they are knowledgeable in the subject area(s) they teach. In addition:

- 46% hold bachelor's degrees
- 53% hold master's degrees
- 1% hold doctoral degrees

Thank you to the more than 2,000 APS teachers who educate, counsel and inspire our students to become great leaders!

## Thank You, APS Nurses!



Aurora Public Schools will join many communities across the nation in honoring school nurses on National School Nurse Day, May 6. The annual event kicks off the week-long National Nurses Week, which runs May 6-12, ending on the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of nursing.

School Nurses help to improve the health and educational success of our students. Currently, APS has 31 full-time and four part-time nurses who serve preschool, elementary and secondary students.

Last year, Aurora Central High School's Tammy Wollbrinck earned the title of National Certified School Nurse, becoming one of only 60 NCSNs statewide. This certification, administered by the National Board for Certification of School Nurses, represents a nationwide standard of preparation and knowledge.

We applaud all APS nurses for all you do!

