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Martin County School District

Kandy Gilbert Named 2008-2009 School-Related Employee of the Year

The Martin County School District is proud to announce that Kandy Gilbert, the Extended Day Manager at Felix A. Williams Elementary (FAWE), has been named the District's *School-Related Employee of the Year*. Ms. Gilbert has been an employee with the District for 17 years, with 15 of those years at FAWE. In fact, Ms. Gilbert began at FAWE as the Extended Day Manager when the school opened in 1994. Her duties as Extended Day Manager include providing leadership for Extended Day personnel, supervision of approximately 200 students each day in the FAWE Extended Day program, planning all student activities, handling tuition payments/deposits, security and operation of the school-site during school vacations when Extended Day is operating, and maintaining CPR, CPI, and First Aid certifications. In addition, Ms. Gilbert is described by her supervisors as a well-respected school leader who does all she can to support FAWE programs and special events.

"I congratulate Ms. Gilbert for being named the district's School-Related Employee of the Year. Throughout her career she has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of students, providing them with a safe, structured after-school care program. She is always looking for new ways to make learning fun for kids. Her commitment to excellence, not just in the Extended Day program, but in all that she does at Felix A. Williams, makes her a wonderful role model for her peers," said Superintendent Nancy Kline.

Ms. Gilbert will now represent the Martin County School District in the competition to be named *Florida's School-Related Employee of the Year*.



(Pictured L-R) School Board Chair Lorie Shekailo, School-Related Employee of the Year Kandy Gilbert, and Superintendent Nancy Kline