

Congratulations to our February 2019 Legend of Learning, Ms. Jessica Giordano. Ms. Giordano is our 201 Advisor and Math teacher at LaFayette Big Picture School. Jessica is a caring, dedicated staff member who likes to make learning fun and build positive relationships with students and coworkers.



The individuals who nominated Jessica shared:

Although this is only Jessica's second year at Big Picture, it feels like she has been here from the beginning. Jessica worked diligently to learn the Big Picture Learning philosophy and the way we implement the philosophy here in LaFayette. Not only is Jessica an advisor to her 15 students, but she is also the Quantitative Reasoning specialist for all of the students in Big Picture. Jessica prepares students for the Algebra Regents while also supporting students with incorporating math into their project work. Jessica enters every day with great energy, enthusiasm and sometimes a little too much coffee. Jessica is playful and takes the role of prankster at Big Picture while balancing the seriousness of her job. Jessica is committed to the success of all of her students and tends to each student and their family with respect and care.

Another individual shared:

Jessica is a caring, considerate, and creative teacher. She is the hardest working teacher that I know. She is always putting the needs of her students first and tailoring instruction for specific student skill levels. In addition, she is kind and always takes the time to understand her students emotional needs. Jessica is always working towards improving herself as

a teacher so she can better meet the needs of her students. Somehow, Jessica always keeps a positive attitude despite the obstacles she faces and her humor makes our school a better place.

Another person shared:

Jessica is our little sister of the building, she is always happy, upbeat and silly. Also, if a harmless prank was pulled on you, it was most likely Jessica! Jess puts all of her energy into the needs of every student in our building and goes above and beyond to make each student feel worthy. Just last night she stayed late after school to a 7th grade Jr. High Student with math. Jessica's energy and commitment to our BP family always amazes me!

One of our students shared:

Jessica has helped me while I was struggling in math. I was very nervous about a test and I went down to BP and she helped me understand the problems. She stayed with me until 4:00 and made me feel more confident in myself. She made sure I knew what I was doing before I left. Thank you Jessica!!!

Please join me in congratulating Ms. Jessica Giordano as the Legend of Learning for February 2019.

Thank you for your continued commitment to excellence!

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