

Victor Valley Community College Press Release

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Morgan Kincaid Elementary School Site of Newest Teachers R Heroes Award Recipient

A very large and noisy group of elementary students gathered in the assembly hall at Morgan Kincaid Elementary School because one of their teachers was about to be honored by the Teachers R Heroes program. As soon as the program was introduced, silence spread across the room as students tried to figure out which one of their teachers was going to be selected. As soon as the nomination was read and the presenter asked if the students knew who it was, the name Mary Jones was shouted out by a majority of the gathered students. Their answer was confirmed when Mrs. Jones, a second grade teacher, was called to the front to receive her award.

The nomination spoke glowingly of Mrs. Jones because, as it reported, she takes children who supposedly have "fallen through the cracks" at a young age and turns their lives around. The nominator went on to say, "I met Mrs. Jones when I was a long term substitute teacher at Morgan Kincaid. We worked together with her students that were

struggling academically. She was amazing, caring, respectful and understanding of each student and their struggles in school. She was a true inspiration to me as a teacher.

I moved on and am now teaching special education in middle school and have 6 year old twins who are struggling in school. As providence would have it, Mrs. Jones is now their teacher! She is the most patient, caring and understanding woman that I have ever met. She has taken two boys that had no interest in going to school and turned them in the direction of "how soon can we go to school", "lets read mom", "I miss school", "homework is cool"! I wish I had a million dollars to hand to Mrs. Jones. She has saved my kids.”

Teacher nominations may be submitted in the form of 500 words-or-less essays to www.vvc.edu. Anyone interested in making a nomination can go online to www.KATCOUNTRY1007.com, www.Y102FM.com, www.TheFox106.com, or www.Talk960.com, and find a link to the college’s website.

Nominations may also be sent by mail to Victor Valley College, Teachers are Heroes, 18422 Bear Valley Road, Victorville, CA 92395, attention Dr. Lori Kildal.

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