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ONEIDA SCHOOL DISTRICT #351

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Dear Oneida School Board,

It is my honor and privilege to present to you Darrell Tripp as the Oneida School District Employee of the Month. Our school district is filled with individuals who go above and beyond the call of duty. Darrell is one of these special employees. For this past year Darrell has been asked to take on two full time positions. This coverage was necessary during Kurt Davis' absence. This has been a very demanding task. This summer, due to a tight budget, he was asked if he oversee the summer cleaning, but to accomplish it with fewer hours and less help. Along with this challenge he was asked to replace carpet in several classrooms, refinish the gym floors himself (rather than contracting it out), and do a complete remodel of the district's rental home. He has accepted this challenge with a smile and positive attitude.

Darrell takes great pride in his work. He is a very hard worker who holds himself to high standards in cleaning and maintaining our schools. This is evident as you walk the halls of his school. He has made an old worn building feel new and fresh. Again, this being done on a very limited budget.

While these efforts would qualify him for this recognition, they are only part of the reason I feel the honor of Employee of the month is well deserved. As he was carrying out these extra duties this summer, he had other unanticipated challenges come up. He has had fire alarm system failures which has required him to go to the school at 1:00 am to do security checks, this is after he was up till ten that evening changing sprinklers. He has dealt with flooded basements, broken irrigation pipes, and freezers breaking down. He has risen to meet these demanding challenges even though he suffered a great loss this summer with the passing of his mother. We feel fortunate to have such a wonderful employee as Darrell in our district.

Sincerely,

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