

September Volunteer of the Month

Rachel Patrzeba

Rachel Patrzeba was nominated by the PTSA Board of Directors as the September Volunteer of the Month. Rachel was nominated for all the hard work she put into organizing the amazing Back to School Bash this fall! This event is always a favorite for the kids and the pressure was on as we had not had the event for 3 years due to Covid. Rachel threw an amazing bash which the kids (and parents) all loved. In addition to her work on the Back to School Bash, over the last couple years Rachel has been our Bingo Lead and did an awesome job hosting our virtual BINGO events.

Here is a little more information about our September Volunteer of the month:

Rachel and her husband, David, have three children, Makenzie age 12, Hayden age 10 and Benjamin 22 months.

Rachel has been volunteering at Stillwater for five years and really enjoyed volunteering for the Back to School Bash this year. A favorite Stillwater memory of hers is watching the pie eating contest and seeing Mr. Madigan and Mr. H dig into pies against kids! When she isn't volunteering, she enjoys shopping, walking, running and movies (she's a huge Disney and Marvel fan). When we asked Rachel why she volunteers, she said "My parents never did so I always wanted to be that parent



that was involved, it's an act of love showing my kids and other children that we care for them and that they are loved, being involved with my children and the school community enriches the students and gives a sense of belonging and makes awesome memories!!"

Rachel and her family will be moving back to the east coast. They will miss their church, friends, DPA, and obviously the amazing Stillwater community. They want to thank everyone for all the fun and amazing memories at Stillwater. Go Hawks!!!

We are extremely thankful for everything Rachel has done to support Stillwater and our community. We will miss her as a key part of our PTSA family. Congrats on your nomination and win, Rachel!