



## Congratulations Beth Spreitzer!

### 2025 Michigan CEC Paraprofessional of the Year!

Beth Spritzer has been a paraprofessional in special education programs at West Ottawa High School for the last nine years. In the words of her colleagues, Beth “spends all day with our students and chooses to find joy in every moment, rather than allow frustrations or stressful moments to be the focus of her day. Beth knows every celebration or need that arises in the classroom and provides love and attention so that the students know that they are a top priority to her. The students love and adore her and she shares this same affection for them.” On top of this, Beth goes above and beyond by being a pillar of collaboration and support for teachers and staff, providing hands-on and rigorous academic support, supporting practice and transportation in community based instruction, volunteering as an assistant coach in Unified Sports, participating in professional development, and even leading cooking lessons.

West Ottawa High School students’ achievements would not be possible without Beth. Her passion for her students is truly remarkable. She approaches her role with a genuine dedication to helping each student achieve their potential, not only academically, but also socially and emotionally. Her positive impact on students’ lives extends far beyond the classroom, as she continuously goes the extra mile to create an environment in which every student feels seen, heard, and supported.

