



Anne Janzen – Hillsboro, KS

Getting students to believe that they are capable of learning and helping them build confidence in themselves is a priority of Anne Janzen. She wants every student she comes in contact with to feel safe and accepted. She gets to watch their confidence in themselves and their skills soar as they experience successes. #Best feeling of all.

Anne Janzen's educational background for her career began in 1982 with a B.A. in Home Economics and an Educable Mentally Handicapped Endorsement from Kansas Wesleyan University. Her next step was in 1987 at Emporia State University with an M.S. in Learning Disabilities. She then received a Behavior Disorders Endorsement in 1996 from Associated Colleges of Central, KS. Along with her degrees she has participated in several other academic activities. She was a QPA (Quality Performance Accreditation) team member, a Building Improvement Teach member, on the IEP Development Team. A Marion County Special Education Compliance Team Member, and a Mentor of College Practicum students.

She worked for the Marion County Special Education Cooperative from 1982 to present, for a total of 37 years. She worked at Hillsboro Middle/High School in Interrelated grades 5-12 from 1982-1987, Interrelated grades 9-12 from 1987-1996, Interrelated grades 6-8 from 1996-2012, and Interrelated grades 6-7 from 2012 to present.

Her awards include being the Hillsboro United Methodist Woman of the Year in 2000, and being nominated for Teacher of the Year in 2010.

Along with her education recognition, she has been very involved in her community. Her church work includes Sunday School teacher, Wednesday evening Children's Program Director, Vacation Bible School Director, Pastor-Parish Relations committee leader, and Christian Education Coordinator. Other activities include being a Cub Scout Leader, and Brownie and Junior Girls Scout Leader, the After Prom Coordinator, a member of the American Legion Auxillary, and the Order of the Eastern Star. She was also involved with the National Education Association as an officer and member from 1982 to present. Further, she is the Hunter Safety Instructor.

Max Heinrichs, who is the Superintendent for USD 410, writes, "Anne Janzen, without a doubt, possesses the qualities that all great educators recognize as great and noteworthy. She wants the very best for her and all of our students and will flat work her tail off to make it happen." Clint Corby, her principal, states that "Anne always puts others needs ahead of her own. She is extremely caring and passionate about giving her students the opportunity to succeed not only in her classroom, but in life, after the leave her room. Teaching special education is one of the most challenging jobs in a school. She is the best teacher I have been around. I learn something from her on a regular basis."

It is this type of passion and work ethic that we emphatically share with educators that we are proud to welcome Anne Janzen to the KTHOF Class of 2020.