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Carroll ISD's Dr. Tamy Smalskas Receives Statewide Safety Award

Southlake, TX - Carroll ISD Assistant Superintendent for Administration, Dr. Tamy Smalskas, has received the **Statewide Staff Development and Training Award** from the Texas School Safety Center as part of their School Safety Spotlight Program.

After <u>being recognized in December of 2022</u> as the fall semester recipient from the Texas School Safety Center, Dr. Smalskas will now receive the statewide award for 2022-23.

"We are very thankful for the expertise Dr. Smalskas has brought to the district over the past year," said Dr. Lane Ledbetter. "The safety of our students and staff members is her top priority and she has done an outstanding job implementing the processes and policies that ensure all Dragons remain safe. She is well-deserving of this award and recognition."

Smalskas has been with the district now for one year and in that time has implemented a variety of dynamic processes, policies, and procedures to protect students and staff. She has been recognized for her professional development series, which she she implemented for all campus and district leadership to address injury and incident reporting, David's Law reporting with an anonymous app, access control, documentation, the Standard Response Protocol, CRASE (Civilian Response to Active Shooter Event), and bullying, harassment, and discrimination.

In addition, Smalskas has created innovative tools such as unique and thorough training programs for principals to use to train teachers, staff, and students, as well as training for other employees such as bus drivers and operations staff.

"It has been such an honor working with an administrative team that so highly prioritizes the safety of our campuses here at Carroll ISD," said Smalskas. "I am thankful for the recognition from the Texas School Safety Center and their dedication to ensuring safety for all Texas students. Maintaining robust systems to assist our campus administrators in addressing bullying, harassment, and discrimination is just one of the ways we have done so at CISD, in

addition to updated and enhanced security features on all campuses. I look forward to continuing to keep our Dragons safe as we work together to maintain excellent safety programs and processes throughout the district."

Dr. Smalskas has been in the education field for 29 years, having started as a math teacher and multi-sport coach and most recently serving as an assistant superintendent. She is certified as a Superintendent and Principal EC-12, and earned her Doctoral of Education in Educational Administration with an emphasis in Human Resource Management from the University of North Texas.

She will be recognized during the 2023 Texas School Safety Conference on Thursday, June 22, 2023 in San Antonio, Texas.

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