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## **An Employee to Celebrate**

*ACDS Teacher Assistant Honored for 30 Years of Service with a Smile*

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Jeanne McHale's exemplary work ethic and 30-year tenure as an employee at ACDS, a nonprofit that serves children and adults with Down syndrome and autism, has earned her a recognition award, which was presented to her during ACDS' 2015 St. Patrick's Celebration on March 7.

As a Teacher Assistant, Jeanne assists with arts and crafts projects, photocopy tasks, snack time drinks, and cleanup chores. She's an instrumental part of "free play," sorting through toys and placing them into appropriate bins to keep things neat and organized.

Agency staff agrees that the honor Jeanne received is very well-deserved. "I have known Jeanne for 30 years and have always been impressed with her engaging personality, sense of humor, and desire to fully participate in all aspects of our school, including major activities and fundraising events scheduled outside of school hours," remarks Cecilia Barry, Principal of ACDS' Preschool.