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NORTHFIELD — Spaulding Academy & Family Services (formerly Spaulding Youth Center) has honored four staff members - Kori

Kidder. Brendan Donahue, Bridget Desjardins and Denise Elliott - with monthly Spaulding Spirit awards.

These peernominated awards recognize employees who embody the spirit of the organization and inspire fellow team members with their dedication to service. Kidder

began at

Spaulding



KIDDER



DONAHUE



DESJARDINS

with five different school districts managing remote learning requirements and district-provided services for the children she assisted.

Recently, she transitioned to become a family worker.

As a residential assistant, Donahue helps children learn how to cook, clean, do laundry, complete schoolwork, make minor repairs, and use tactile skills like handwriting.

Desjardins is a special education teacher currently working with kindergarten through second-grade students.

She was initially hired as a paraeducator in 2015 and is trained as a Trust-Based Relational Intervention Practitioner, which is a program designed for teachers and professionals working with children and families impacted by trauma.

Elliott started her career at Spaulding Academy & Family Services 24 years ago as a residential substitute and later as a fullAcademy & Family Services as a residential substitute and is also a Certified Family Life Educator through the **National**



ELLIOTT

Council on Family Relations.

After accepting a fulltime position in the Spaulding residential team. Kidder coordinated time overnight residential counselor.

For the past three years, she has served as the residential staff coordinator.

Elliott is also a Licensed Nursing Assistant and works in the Lakes Region General Hospital Central Sterile Department.

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