Roberta Burr, transportation department secretary, was named the recipient of the first ever Staff Award.

Burr is beginning her thirty fifth year of employment with the Wooster City School District. She began her career with the district in 1983 as secretary for the accounting department. In 2000, Burr received an award for her "outstanding achievement in the display of fiscal stewardship." She became the secretary for the transportation department in 2004.

"Roberta truly cares about our students," said Long. "She has personally bought clothes, food, school supplies and Christmas gifts for students in need. Roberta has clearly gone above and beyond the requirements of her position and set a gold standard for employees in the district."

"Matt and Roberta have, indeed, made a significant impact in our school system," said Superintendent Dr. Michael Tefs. "It is not hard to see why they were chosen by the Jones Foundation for this year's award. They are both incredibly special employees."

The award comes with an unrestricted \$5,000 cash stipend, funded by the Ralph R. and Grace B. Jones Foundation. It is awarded to those who show a special dedication to their students, contribute outside the classroom by serving the larger community and demonstrate respect for students, peers and the community.