



**Nomination Essay for Sharon Carino
Submitted by: Deborah Parker, Parent**

My nine-year-old daughter has been blessed to have Ms. Carino as a teacher for the past two years. She taught her in 3rd grade and is now teaching her in 4th grade. While teaching 3rd grade, Ms. Carino applied for a grant which she won and used that money to create "movies" involving all her students with them going over math facts or history facts. The kids loved it!

For the last movie the class did in the 3rd grade year she invited all the parents to school, along with students from other classes, and showed it in the gym for us. She even served popcorn! For the 4th grade year she again, along with another teacher and her students, created yet another movie that they entered into a contest. I do not know the results from the contest, but once again the kids loved it. In all these movies the kids created their own "set designs" or costumes and brought in items to use from home as well. To my knowledge there was never anything the parents were expected to buy to help out.

This past December she and another teacher had parents come in and help out with a Colonial Christmas Party. That was lots of fun! The parents volunteered their time to help the students make candles, cinnamon ornaments, marbles, punch tin ornaments and much more. The parents sent in miscellaneous items from home that went into these projects and the items we sent in I thought were very creative. This is such a great learning experience for the kids and the

parents as well. She is creative in her teaching skills and you can always find her researching new ways to reach her students.