

Anna Slentz **Star Teacher**

Good evening, my name is Lidea Falls and for my Star Teacher, I chose Mrs. Slentz. When I received this honor for North Gaston and was asked to select a Star Teacher, Mrs Slentz came immediately to my mind. Although it has been some time since I had her as a classroom teacher, her impression is still felt on me as a senior.

As every freshman, I was nervous about beginning high school and, at times, I felt lost and unseen. Fortunately, I was lucky enough to have Mrs. Slentz for Health Team Relations during my freshman year and that helped me tremendously to adapt. But, then again, my sophomore year I was able to have her again for Health Science I. She is the type of teacher that you know genuinely cares about her students. And when thinking about a Star Teacher, I think of just that: A teacher who treats you like one of their own, who will joke around with you, check up on you and, in a sense, just make you feel like you belong; Teachers who make a point to get to know you and your interests and sincerely want the best for you, not just academically.

Mrs. Slentz fits that description perfectly. One thing that I love about Mrs. Slentz is that she isn't afraid of what people may say about her. She is always willing to go the extra mile in all she does. For example, during spirit week, she is known to go all out for her students and has been anything and everything from Elsa to a North Gaston football player in full gear.

Mrs. Slentz is truly one of a kind and definitely a Star Teacher to be recognized in Gaston County for her love of students is truly evident in all she does.

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