

Spotlight on...

Sumer Buening

With everything our amazing, talented direct care staff have done to continue our mission to improve lives this year, we sometimes forget that others in our ROP family have also risen to the challenge of unexpected new realitiesall of which convey a significant additional workload. Canyon State Academy Human Resources Manager Sumer Buening is one such hero. Since the beginning of the pandemic, Manager Buening has been our central point of contact for all things COVID-related: she has managed hundreds of employee tests and results, coordinated LOAs, been responsible for PTO management, issued premium pay and spot bonuses, and fielded calls after hours and on weekends to provide information and support to our employees. She has been on-call and ready for action since April 2020, and she is now the glue that holds Administration and OPS together. She is a vital asset here at CSA, and though words alone cannot express our appreciation for everything she has done, we wish today to recognize her as a hero.