

# Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Michelle Morris

Honoree's Job Title: Adolescent Counselor

Department: Juvenile Probation Department

Years of Service with the County: 11 years, 11 months

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

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Over the past several weeks Michelle Morris has gone above and beyond to assist the juvenile probation department better serve youth and families. The department has experienced an unforeseen and extended absence with specialized personnel and Michelle has graciously step up to assist with niche duties which require a specialized skill set. Some of her extra duties have included generating a sanction chart for specialty court operations, assisting with intakes, helping with commencements, and assisting in Juvenile Probation Specialty Court staffing.

Michelle conducts family sessions with GEMS participants in PAD, and also continues assessments for GEMS referrals.

She works as a case manager by developing goals for all Specialty Court families to assist in success while in the program, provides home based services for both SOAR and GEMS, completes placement visits on GEMS participants, and works with JPO's to provide a dual report to GEMS.

She has worked with psychiatrists to help with medication management for Specialty Court, she assists with 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday activities for programs, and has worked as a liaison with detention for Specialty Courts.

She is a team player for all of the Specialty Court providing essential therapeutic insight.

The duties have been perform in addition to maintaining a full counseling caseload.

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Approved by elected official or department head on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.



Signature of Elected Official  
or Department Head

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