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Subject: Employee Spotlight – Airport Staff

I would like to recognize Austin Bruce, Riley Rankl, and Seth Carlton for their outstanding work hosting a field trip for 42 fourth-grade students from Hall County on October 20th.

This event had been scheduled before a management transition at the airport, and the employees were left with very little information. In fact, the only thing they had was a note on their calendar that simply read "Homeschool Day." They were given no contact information, confirmed arrival time, number of students, or details about what activities were planned. Despite that, all three stepped up, took ownership, and made the visit a success.

Austin, Riley, and Seth welcomed the students, provided demonstrations, showed them airport equipment, explained airport operations, and talked about the different types of aircraft that visit our airport. They also explained how the airport serves our community through operations like the Georgia Forestry Commission and the air ambulance services based here. They helped the students understand that our airport is much more than a place where airplanes take off and land; it plays an important role in public safety and emergency response throughout our region.

What impressed me most was the pride they took in their work and their willingness to go above and beyond their normal duties. They were excellent ambassadors for Habersham County, giving these students a firsthand look at general aviation and the important role our airport plays in the community.

They took a situation with very little preparation and turned it into a great experience for 42 students, undoubtedly brightening their day. I am proud to recognize all three for their teamwork, initiative, and professionalism. They are yet another representation of the kind of employees we are fortunate to have serving Habersham County.

Sincerely,

Mac Koon
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Habersham County Public Works