



**Robin Jones**  
**Teacher of the Year**  
**2019-2020**  
**Douglass Elementary School**

"It is important to me that my students not only receive a solid education but also know that I am aware of and sensitive to their individual needs. A classroom environment should promote diversity and a sharing of ideas. In a nurturing and fair environment, students can become responsible for themselves as well as their learning."



Ms. Robin Jones is a first grade teacher at Douglass Elementary School. Robin, inspired by her mother to pursue her dreams, went back to school to become a teacher. Robin graduated from Greensboro College in 2013 on the Dean's List!

"The simplest, and I feel the most important personal connection I make to my students each day, is standing at our doorway greeting the children as they come in. In those first short minutes, I comment on a pretty dress, notice new shoes or haircuts, ask about a missing front tooth, or comfort a student who has gotten off to a shaky start at home. At the end of our day, I wish each child a good night and let them know how much I care about them. Building these relationships has led to more successful learning outcomes. Becoming a teacher was not easy and neither is being one. Reflecting on my journey into this profession and why I chose it helps me to stay focused and take pride in my successes. I am making a difference in the lives of children and guiding them to make the right choices in life."

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