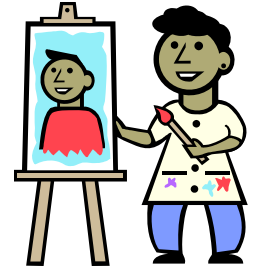




**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO  
GLE'S TEACHER OF THE YEAR!!!!  
MRS. LOU ANN THOMPSON**



Gilbert Linkous is fortunate to have such an outstanding art teacher amongst its ranks as Mrs. Thompson! She takes art and our GLE students to the next level! Mrs. Thompson strives to engage students in art through literature, social studies and science. Children learn about famous artists by creating projects that would make the "Masters" proud! Lou Ann can often be seen setting up the display case, running to the kiln, and hanging art in the hallways for all to enjoy. Her room is always busy and there is a happy hum of students working on their projects. No project is ever too big for Mrs. Thompson! Recently, Lou Ann and Ms. Gresh worked on a community service project with GLE's Safety Patrols. The project was called "Empty Bowls." The purpose of the project was for all to understand that every night around the world there are empty bowls. All of GLE's students created a pottery bowl and the community was invited to an "Empty Bowls" dinner. Proceeds from that night went to purchase food for the Interfaith Food Pantry and the Humane Society. Lou Ann's enthusiasm for helping the less fortunate is spreading to the GLE students!

So, the next time you see Mrs. Thompson, give her a big high five, a handshake or hug and thank her for how she helps our GLE students and their families!

