

# Employee of the Year Celebration



## Chelsea Suarez

*Crisis Intervention Specialist*

Chelsea has been with our agency as part of the Community School Liaison Program for just over one-year. In her time as Crisis Intervention Specialist, Chelsea has successfully provided Crisis Intervention for over 70 youth experiencing a mental health crisis in the school setting. Daily, Chelsea meets the program goals of averting unnecessary hospitalizations, recommending the most appropriate immediate service provision, and safety planning with youth and their families. Chelsea provides youth and their families short-term, 90-day case management to ensure continued safety and to link youth and their families to mental health treatment and community-based resources. Chelsea consistently seeks out additional training to continue to improve her skillset to meet the needs of today's youth. School districts across Jefferson County often request Chelsea by name and parents praise her name and share information regarding the program and Chelsea among their friends and colleagues. Most recently, a parent reached out directly to our CEO regarding Chelsea, stating "Chelsea has truly impressed me with how she carries herself with us as parents and most importantly with our child. Employees like that are what make organizations have the biggest impact. My child is so excited to go to school today because she gets to see Chelsea!" Additionally, a youth in a different CHJC program who had interaction with Chelsea described her as "elegant and professional". Chelsea is admired and appreciated by youth, parents, school and community providers, and her colleagues alike!



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