Becoming a teacher has always been the career goal of Lake County’s Joanne Mackey. Mackey has been working toward this goal since she was a student at Coyote Valley Elementary School in Middletown. The now 6th grade teacher at Minnie Cannon Elementary School in Middletown was awarded Lake County Teacher of the Year for the 2020-2021 school year.

“Mr. Mackey has that ability to connect with students and make them feel comfortable and engaged in learning,” said Dr. Annous, Lower Lake Elementary School Librarian and Site Supervisor, Lower Lake Preschool.

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Closing the Poverty Gap in Education

"If poverty, not the people who are in it," said Dr. Donna Beegle, poverty expert, life-changing speaker and recognized author. Over 75% of Lake County nearly 10,000 students live in poverty and have high-risk lifestyles. By 2020, the percentage of qualifying students, Lake County is considered a "high poverty area."

Students in poverty have a harder time succeeding in school and do not always have the tools they need to do so. To address this issue and give educators a tool to help students who live in poverty, Lake County Office of Educator’s Educational Services Department, Dr. Beegle, and Dr. Annous worked with 120 local educators and community members.

Here is what Lake County educators have to say about the training.

"I thank you, Dr. Donna Beegle, I learned so much today. The tools and knowledge that were shared with us, very inspiring impact," said Mrs. Mackey, a teacher at Lake County Elementary School.

"We all benefit from the professional development," said Mrs. Deeyo, a teacher at Lucerne Elementary School.

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**Core Values**

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  - All children can learn and succeed, but not on the same day in the same way.
  - Always consider the needs of students/children over the needs of adults.
  - We are a child-focused agency.
  - Is it good for kids (and hopefully) beneficial for all?

- **Respect**
  - Fully upon the “golden rule.”
  - How you treat others reflects upon each of us, both personally and as a professional organization.

- **Service**
  - Put the welfare of children, schools, subordinates, and the COE before your own.
  - Services leads to organizational teamwork.

- **Duty**
  - Fulfill your obligations.
  - Accept responsibility for your own actions and those you supervise.
  - Find opportunities to improve oneself for the good of the team.

- **Integrity**
  - Integrity is our moral compass, that inner voice.
  - Do what is right, legally, ethically, and with integrity.
  - Be willing to do what is right even when no one is looking.

**Year in Review 2020-2021**

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The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) states, “Any educational institution that thoughtfully and strategically implemented distance learning services to all students and their families, in preparation for the 2021-22 school year, showed a 10% increase in student enrollment in the first year of the pandemic.”

In August 2020, COVID-19 cases across California and here in Lake County were on the rise. The Lake County Office of Education (LCOE) implemented distance learning services to all students and their families, in preparation for the 2021-22 school year. This year, home visits became porch visits, support became virtual, and LCOE outfitted the students with supplies, and materials to improve quality in childcare and distance learning.

LCOE Conference Rooms. Most other maintenance and digital access to students and staff members. Because connectivity was more important than ever this year.

LCOE IT is responsible for maintaining the computer and a B group, with each team having the ability to perform all fiscal duties. Each group worked in a different location to minimize exposure and prevent cross-contagion.

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The LCOE Team is proud of the work we accomplished during this historic moment.

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