

WKU Staff Excellence Award Winner - Patsy Perkins!

Patsy Perkins, a treasured member of the Sodexo Environmental Services crew on the WKU Campus, is the newest recipient of a WKU Staff Excellence Award! She has been devoted to serving the faculty, staff and students of this campus for the past 10 years. It was no surprise to those who work with Patsy that she should win such an award. The Department Head of Applied Human Sciences, Mr. Travis Wilson, who works in the building she services, said, "Ms. Patsy is a special person that brightens my day. She has a positive attitude and is ready to help, no matter the task. (She is) simply a delightful person to work with at WKU." Patsy is originally from Munfordville, KY. She moved to Bowling Green, Kentucky to be closer to family. Prior to coming to work on campus, she used her lived experience to help others by running a recovery center for women for three years. This is where she perfected the skill of thoughtfully listening to others and really caring about what happens to them. Julie Jones, who nominated Patsy for the award, stated, "I have had the privilege to work at WKU for approximately two and a half years and during that time, have had the opportunity to observe Patsy's outstanding work ethic, dedication to students, dedication to staff, and overall positive personality. Patsy greets everyone who enters the Academic Complex (AC) with a smile and a genuine good morning". When asked what it was that motivated her to go above and beyond for her customers, Patsy said it was the staff and students in her building that motivated her. She was raised to treat people the way she wants to be treated, so that is how she lives her life. If they ask her to do something, it is going to get done. Patsy's excellent work supports the Director of WKU Public Broadcasting, David Brinkley, who said he considers Patsy Perkins a peer and colleague. He stated, "Her work ethic and opinions are informed, carry experience, and are considered as valid as anyone's on this campus". Ms. Patsy Perkins, congratulations on behalf of all your WKU and Sodexo family on your newest achievement! We could not be more proud of you!

