

Apart from being a great teacher, **Hillary Stephens** at Liberty Elementary always goes that extra step. Just recently while at a brand new school, missing her team teacher to maternity leave and dealing with a busy family life, she took two 6-year-old students after school to Chick-fil-A and PetSmart to help pick out a class pet before returning to school for a two-hour PTA meeting. Her reasoning was that she didn't get to give the girls as much attention as she would like since they are not in her homeroom this year. Amazing!

– Submitted by Amy Hines, parent