



# SERT Flash

School Energy and Recycling Team



## “Take Me Out to Travilah Elementary School”



### **Mrs. Carol Knoblach, 4<sup>th</sup> grade Teacher and courtyard at Travilah Elementary School**

It's the bottom of the ninth inning; score is tied; two outs; bases are loaded; the count is 3 balls/ 2 strikes! Carol Knoblach is at the plate! The pitcher throws a low fast ball. “Pow” Carol Knoblach hits it out of the park!

Okay-okay, I'm not talking about baseball but, Carol Knoblach does knock it out of the park in terms of energy conservation and recycling at Travilah ES. Mrs. Knoblach is a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and a true “Greenie” at heart.

Mrs. Knoblach has 22 students on her SERT team. They meet as a group once a month and they do a variety of green activities in between their meetings like:

- collecting all the recycling from the building weekly
- collecting composting from lunch and using the compost for their organic flower bed
- implementing “No Trash Friday” in the cafeteria
- leaving friendly reminders to staff when lights are left on in classrooms and work rooms
- collecting all the aluminum foil covers from lunch trays for recycling

Mrs. Knoblach takes going “Green” to a whole new level. She is currently working on getting Travilah ES recertified as a “Maryland Green School.” One of her special projects included applying for a grant to install a pond in the courtyard.

Thank you Mrs. Knoblach for leading the “green” initiatives at Travilah Elementary School.

Do you have a “SERT Flash” you would like to share about your SERT efforts? Please submit a photograph and paragraph about your team and you too can be featured in a future FLASH!

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