Ephrata Area School District Database Support Specialist Lindsay Sessions has been named the PowerSchool Innovator of the Year for her work to help improve the District management of student data.

Ms. Sessions has been collaborating with the school nurses over the last 18 months to improve the coding and programming necessary to better manage a variety of student data elements specific to District health services, including student health conditions, nurse’s office visits, and more. “At the base of it, I saw a need that could be fixed. It had to be done,” she said.

The school nurses have shared that Ms. Sessions improved the efficiency of tasks that previously took hours and now take “just a few clicks.” In turn, her contributions have helped the District transition smoothly to a new, more customized, and accurate health management system.

The school nurses nominated Ms. Sessions for this award in May. Recently, when she received an email congratulating her on being named the PowerSchool Innovator of the Year, she initially thought it was spam. “I had no idea I was nominated. I’m very used to being ‘behind the curtain,’ but it’s nice to be appreciated,” she commented.

Ms. Sessions continues to play an integral role on the District technology team, including her current work on the Life Ready Graduate (LRG) dashboard to help teachers, students, and families track students’ progress beyond traditional measures and on the skills and dispositions needed for success in life beyond graduation.

PowerSchool serves 13,000 school districts across the United States. It provides Ephrata Area School District an interactive data management system, including parent and student portals.

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