The Central Western Zone is honored to recognize Melissa Pierce as their 2019 Amazing Person. Melissa received a Bachelor’s degree from SUNY Cortland in physical education and her master’s from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in adapted and adventure education. She is an adventure education lecturer at The College at Brockport, the advisor for the Physical Education Majors Club and the Physical Education Graduate Assistants. Melissa was a former skills coach for Camp Abilities. She traveled to Washington, D.C., to participate as an advocate in SPEAK Out! Day, representing NYS AHPERD. Melissa has served the Association as president of the Central Western Zone and the Recreation/Adventure Section. She currently serves the Central Western Zone as conference planner, presider coordinator and student representative advisor. Melissa has been honored in receiving the Jay B. Nash Outstanding Major Award, the Amazing Person Award for the Future Professionals Section and the Higher Education Section, and Teacher of the Year for the School of Health & Human Performance at The College at Brockport. It is with great pleasure the Central Western Zone recognizes Melissa Pierce as their 2019 Amazing Person.