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Classified Employee Appreciation Week

Classified School Employee Appreciation Week is March 6 - March 10, 2023, throughout Oregon. As a district, we would like to take this opportunity to recognize our dedicated classified employees who help make our district run smoothly. We honor their contributions and commitment to quality education and service to our students, staff, and community.

The St. Helens School District employs many dedicated, considerate, and compassionate classified staff who work tirelessly to ensure that our students needs are met. This includes our custodians, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, maintenance workers, secretaries, instructional assistants, campus monitors, information technology workers, SLP's, and many other support staff personnel who contribute so much on a daily basis.

According to the OSEA, the theme this year is "Leadership, Effectiveness, Advocacy, Diplomacy/Liderazgo, Eficacia, Apoyo, Diplomacia. In both English and Spanish, the words make the acronym LEAD, recognizing classified as leaders in education."

The St. Helens School District values and appreciates our classified staff's commitment and dedication to supporting our students toward their highest achievement. While we appreciate our classified staff year-round, we take the following week to celebrate them together!



Thank You

*We appreciate our
classified staff!*



BizTown



Junior Achievement®

of Oregon & SW Washington



Fifth-grade students from Columbia City Elementary & McBride Elementary attended a field trip at BizTown on Tuesday, March 7, 2023.

BizTown creates an unmatched experience where students are able to interact within a simulated economy and take on the challenge of managing companies.

At BizTown, students not only discover the intricacies of jobs and being members of the community, but they also discover the abundance of opportunities available within their communities.







Kimberly Ross



Payton Mauldin



Riya Roylance



Darcy Erickson



Carissa Chism

Community Impact Award recipients

Not pictured: Charity Olsen, Rowan Watson, Addison Wells-Callow, Logan Burket, and Sydney Cave.



At last Wednesday night's board meeting, the School Board and Superintendent Stockwell handed out the board's Community Impact Award.

This award was created as a way for the board to recognize outstanding individuals (students, staff, community members) for their contributions to our community.

What was meant to be a routine high school service project at McCormick Park turned into rescuing five helpless and abandoned kittens left in a sack to fend for themselves.

This month, the board recognized all those involved in the rescue and care of the kittens for their compassion, selflessness, and courage. This month's recipients include Payton Mauldin, Riya Roylance, Charity Olson, Rowan Watson, Darcy Erickson, Addison Wells-Callow, Kimberly Ross, Carissa Chism, Logan Burket, and Sydney Cave.

One of the student recipients, Payton Mauldin, had this to say about the event, "This field trip is one that none of us will ever forget. It holds a special place in our hearts, and we are reminded of it daily."

Principal at St. Helens High School, Dr. Katy Wagner, states, "I'm incredibly proud of our staff and students for their dedication to serving our community—both in a cleanup effort of McCormick Park on their field day, and also for taking care of these kittens, getting them healthy, and finding them good homes."

Congratulations to all ten of our recipients!

Congratulations!

Colton Freeman

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Elks Teen of the Month

FEBRUARY



St. Helens High School is pleased to announce that Colton Freeman has been selected as the Elks Student of the Month for February. Colton was "Honored and excited" when he found out he had been selected. He also stated, "I have worked so hard towards this, and I cannot begin to express how grateful I am to have been bestowed this award.

Colton is an outstanding student, leader, community member, and all-around great human being. He is the captain of the robotics team, has been a part of the high school leadership team since his freshman year, and is currently the Senior Class President. In addition, Colton has also been the treasurer of the National Honor Society for the last two years, and if that is not enough, he is also the student representative to the St. Helens School Board! He has played football for four years and track and field for three.

As for other activities (which seem impossible with all that he is involved in), he does find time to volunteer at the Columbia Humane Society, worked as a counselor at Camp Invention and a 4-H summer camp, helped with the Oregon Battle of the Books competition and participated in various town clean-ups. Colton is the type of person who wants to do it all and works hard to be a part of everything while ensuring everything is done well!

Colton plans on attending Oregon State University Honors College this fall for civil engineering to pursue his dream of getting a Master's degree and then a Doctorate to become a professor in engineering.

When asked about his best attribute, he thought that his ability to effectively interact with a wide range of people from different backgrounds and personality types is something he enjoys and feels good about.

Overall Colton is an outstanding person and someone that St. Helens High School is proud to call its own.

Congratulations, Colton!

PROMISE OF OREGON



Promise Kids

- Russell Treat
- Cassidy McGregor
- Finley Brummer
- Nate Peau
- Esteban Gabriel Molina
- Paula Perez-Tapia
- Ayla Sorber
- C.J. Washington
- Landyn Alberston
- Derick Smith
- Emilio Munoz
- **Logan Bell**
- Joshua Olson
- Sarah Cobabe
- Hailey Holcomb
- Natalia Navaro-Orozco
- Jemma-Lou McCartney
- Phoenix Lince
- Karlie Sprague
- Logan Hair
- Gena Smith
- Griffin Sexton
- Kaiya Lujano
- Loreali Moore
- Isaac Polvogt

The Oregon School Boards Association, a non-profit member services organization based in Salem, founded "The Promise of Oregon" campaign in 2014 to focus attention on the accomplishments of Oregon's K-14 students and the need to adequately fund public education. Through its photographs, videos, and stories, the campaign highlights the aspirations of students and demonstrates their incredible accomplishments and potential.

St. Helens School District will be one of four districts featured in this year's Promise campaign. As a district, this is a huge honor to have our students participate and be featured in this campaign. Districts across the state apply to have their school district recognized, as it is a very competitive campaign with only four districts being chosen to participate. We are so proud to be one of the four districts selected!

Our St. Helens student featured as the "Promise Kid" today is Logan Bell from St. Helen Middle School.

Congratulations, Logan!



**Daylight Saving Time begins
on Sunday, March 12 at 2 a.m.**

**Please remember to move
your clocks AHEAD one hour
before going to bed Saturday
night.**