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First Responders Collaborative Meeting

The St. Helens School District holds quarterly county-wide First Responders meetings where school administrators and first responders come together to share ideas, expertise, and work through potential scenarios that may arise.

Our speaker for the meeting was Corporal Seann Luedke from the Columbia County Sheriff's Office.

A special thank you to all who attended:

- Columbia County 911
- Columbia County Sheriff's Office
- Columbia River Fire & Rescue
- Multnomah County Sheriff's Office
- Sauvie Island Academy
- St. Helens Police Department
- St. Helens School District Administrative Team
- Yankton Arthur Academy



The time that we take to come together and collaborate is invaluable!

First Responders Meeting Thank You



READY FREDDY

Kindergarten Transition Event



McBride Elementary

The Ready Freddy Program is being run by the St. Helens School District to strengthen the transition to school age for your youngest learners. It was created in collaboration with the Children's Institute, engaged parents, and multiple community partners.

We believe that a quality transition to Kindergarten will bring lifelong benefits to a child. A child's transition into kindergarten sets the tone for her educational experience for many years to come. On the first day of school, every kindergarten child should walk into the classroom feeling excited, ready to learn, and supported by the school, their parents, and their community. Children flourish and learn best in the context of strong and supportive relationships. Unfortunately, almost 50% of children struggle with the transition to kindergarten.

Typically, efforts to enhance school readiness are focused on academic skills and social-emotional development. Unfortunately, neither is the best predictor of school success. More important is the quality of the relationship between the kindergarten teacher and the child's preschool caregiver. The Ready Freddy Program is unique in that we work to bring together all the necessary elements and participants for a quality transition.



Leprechaun Traps



Kindergarten students at Columbia City Elementary design leprechaun traps.



MUDDY MUSTANGS



Students unloaded over 3 yards of garden mulch and now have multiple starts in McBride's brand-new greenhouse!



This project was a culmination of social skills, teamwork, sweat and good vibes!





SECOND-GRADE STUDENTS AT COLUMBIA CITY ELEMENTARY HAD GUEST SPEAKERS PRESENT TO THEM ON BEES AND POLLINATION.



Lloyd Hutchinson

Rotary Student of the Month

MARCH



The Columbia County Rotary Club and Plymouth High School are pleased to honor Lloyd Hutchinson as the March Rotary Student of the Month.

Lloyd is a bright, caring young man who thoughtfully considers his words and actions. He has shown the ability to rise above challenges that he finds himself in, his faith guiding his path. Lloyd is very personable, has excellent communication skills, and always expresses that he will help wherever needed. He encourages others he comes in contact with, whether on the playground at his internship or in a classroom/office setting.

Lloyd's been so thoughtful about his future, relying upon an innate entrepreneurial mindset and being able to diversify his knowledge to set himself up for success in his chosen path.

Lloyd's compassion for others exemplifies his kindness and respect for all living things, and his work ethic shines through in every way. He has a great sense of humor and is incredibly funny.

Lloyd holds himself to a high standard in all his classes, and his grades reflect his efforts. Lloyd is honest and forthright, and he is an incredible smile that will brighten anyone's day.

Congratulations, Lloyd!

Congratulations

Ariel Daugherty

Les Schwab Tire-Less Teacher



Pictured: Ariel Daugherty (left) & Principal Fink (right)

Ariel Daugherty is a District Social Worker who plays an integral role at all three of our elementary schools. Her professionalism and dedication are unmatched.

She tirelessly looks for creative ways to support our students, families, and staff. She can be counted on to answer a call for support with a positive attitude and an effective plan.

Her work is the heart and soul of our elementary schools and we are grateful to have Ariel on our team!

Congratulations, Ariel!

Congratulations

PROMISE OF OREGON

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 is 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!***



"Promise Kid" Joshua Olson from McBride Elementary.



"Promise Kid" Sarah Cobabe from St. Helens Middle School.