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At the board meeting held on September 27th, Melody Killens, School Board Chair, together with other School Board members and Superintendent Stockwell, presented **Richard Hanks** with the Community Impact Award. Richard received this honor in recognition of his enduring dedication and steadfast commitment to volunteering within the St. Helens School District. Principal Allyson Dubuque graciously accepted the award on his behalf.

Richard Hanks, affectionately known as 'Grandpa Richard,' has been a longtime dedicated volunteer for the St. Helens School District. Grandpa Richard generously offers his time to provide reading and math support, either in small groups or one-on-one sessions, to students throughout the day, every day, purely out of his love and commitment to helping children.

He embodies compassion and devotion as he interacts with the kids, demonstrating his sense of responsibility towards their well-being. Frequently, he joins students for lunch in various classrooms and makes it a point to attend their sporting events whenever he's provided with a schedule.

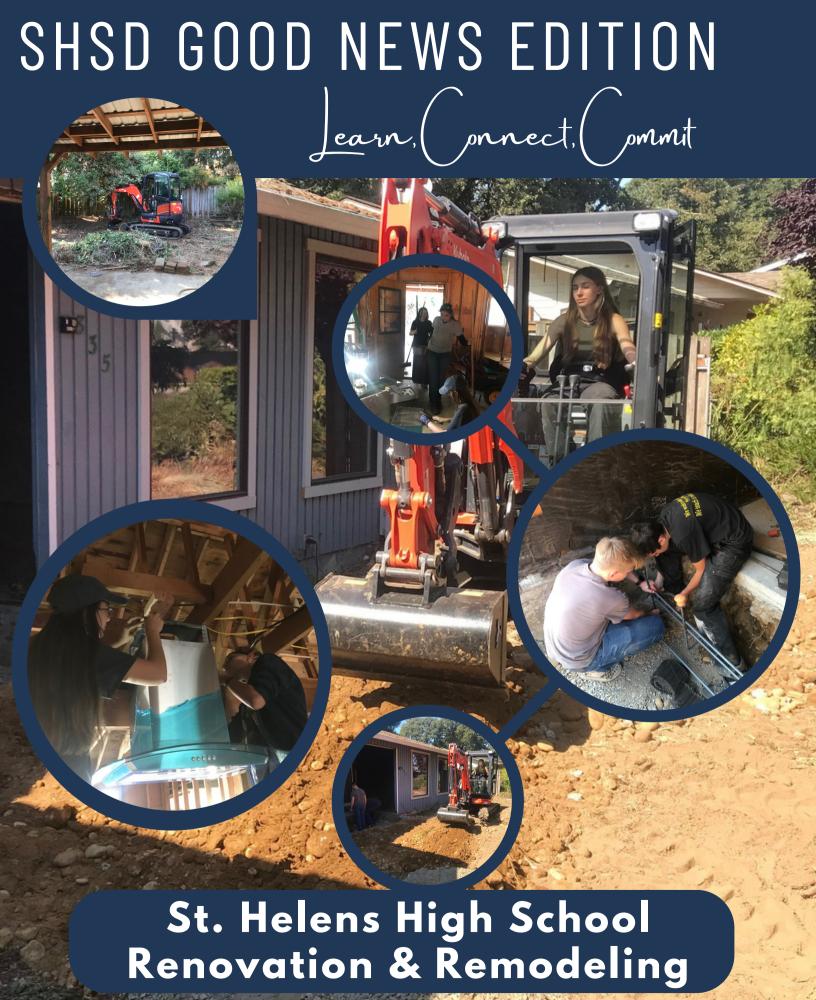
He fosters a sense of ownership among students regarding their handwriting by assisting them with spelling tests and rewarding them with candy when they excel – all done independently and with a focus on improvement week after week.

Grandpa Richard's flexibility, empathy, and kindness have made him a beloved figure among the students, who have looked up to him for many years during his full-time volunteering.

Beyond his involvement during the school year, Grandpa Richard extends his support to the district's summer lunch program at Campbell Park. During countless summers, he has been a constant presence, distributing food, helping children with hygiene routines, engaging in games, and being a nurturing presence for the young ones.

We want to express our profound gratitude for Richard's tireless dedication to the St. Helens community and its students. He is an invaluable member of our team, and his unwavering commitment truly makes a difference in the lives of those he touches.





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### DISTRICT

In our commitment to actively engage with our community and seek meaningful input, the St. Helens School District has planned four district-wide listening sessions. These sessions are an opportunity for you to engage directly with school district staff in an open forum.

There will be no predefined agenda for these meetings. Instead, they will provide a platform for you to discuss any district-related matters, share your thoughts, or express any concerns. Your input is invaluable, and we believe that open and honest conversations will help us better serve our students, families, and the community.

We hope that you can attend one of our four sessions, and we are excited to collaborate with you to enhance our school district.

## LISTENING SESSIONS

**Thursday, October 5, 2023** 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Columbia City Elementary 2000 2nd Street Columbia City, OR 97018

**Thursday, February 1, 2024** 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Plymouth High School 470 North 16th Street St. Helens, OR 97051

Thursday, April 4, 2024 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Lewis & Clark Elementary 111 South 9th Street St. Helens, OR 97051

Thursday, May 2, 2024 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm St. Helens Middle School 354 North 15th Street St. Helens, OR 97051



#### **DISTRICT RESOURCES:**

- Technology systems (Canvas, ParentSquare, etc.)
- Online registration
- Homework help
- Student Support
- School Supplies

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

- Monday: By appointment only
- Tuesday: 8:00 am 4:00 pm
- Wednesday: 8:00 am 4:00 pm
- Thursday: 8:00 am 4:00 pm
- Friday: By appointment only

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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#### **Jennifer Bartocci**

Federal Programs Secretary, McKinney-Vento Liaison, Foster Care POC 503-366-7227



The Great Oregon ShakeOut Annual Statewide Earthquake Drill

## ANNUAL STATEWIDE EARTHQUAKE DRILL

In a few short weeks, the St. Helens School District will join other schools and districts across Oregon as we take part in the **Great Oregon ShakeOut**.

All St. Helens School District schools are signed up to participate in this event on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 10:19 a.m.



### SHSD GOOD NEWS EDITION nect, Help stop the spread. **IBER THE 3** Stay healthy and help stop the spread of coronavirus, influenza and other illnesses by following the 3 C's:

1. Cover: When coughing or sneezing, please remember to cover your mouth and nose. Encourage your child to cough into the crook of their elbow or use a tissue that should be immediately disposed of. This simple act can help prevent the spread of germs to others and reduce the risk of infection.

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2. Clean: Regular and thorough handwashing is one of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of germs. Encourage your child to wash their hands frequently with warm water and soap for at least 20 seconds. This not only protects them but also helps keep our entire community healthier.

3. Contain: If your child is feeling unwell, it's essential to keep them home. Please follow the guideline of keeping them home until they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours. This helps your child recover faster and prevents the potential transmission of illnesses to others at school.





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We appreciate your cooperation in following these simple yet impactful practices.



### Exciting Employment Opportunities Await!

Join the St. Helens School District and explore our current job openings. If you're eager to be part of an exceptional team, discover what we have in store for you!

For a complete list of requirements or to apply, please check out our job postings at <u>https://sthelens.tedk12.com//hire/Index.aspx</u>.

Questions may be directed to Director of Human Resources, Pete Moshinsky, at petem@sthelens.k12.or.us





The St. Helens District #502 utilizes services from ESS for the hiring and placement of substitutes in our district. If you want more information, please call 1-866-208-7454 or visit <u>https://www.ess.com</u>. This site contains information on the requirements to be a substitute as well as what positions are currently open.

Stay CONNECTED!

#### **St. Helens School District Media Platforms:**

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