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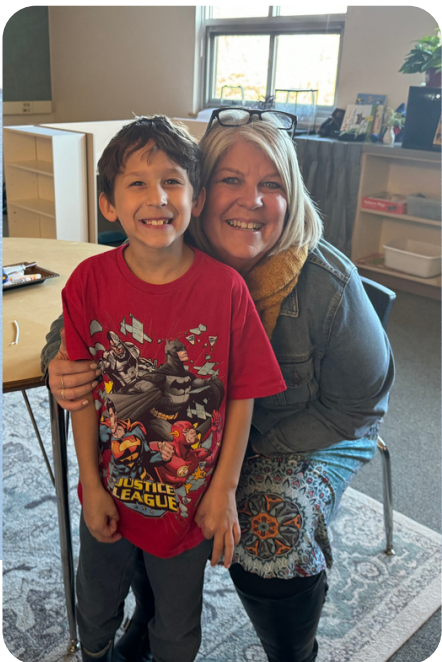
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## Grandparents/Grandfriends Day

Grandparents/Grandfriends Day was celebrated at all three of our elementary schools. We had such an incredible response, and our schools were filled with excitement and laughter.

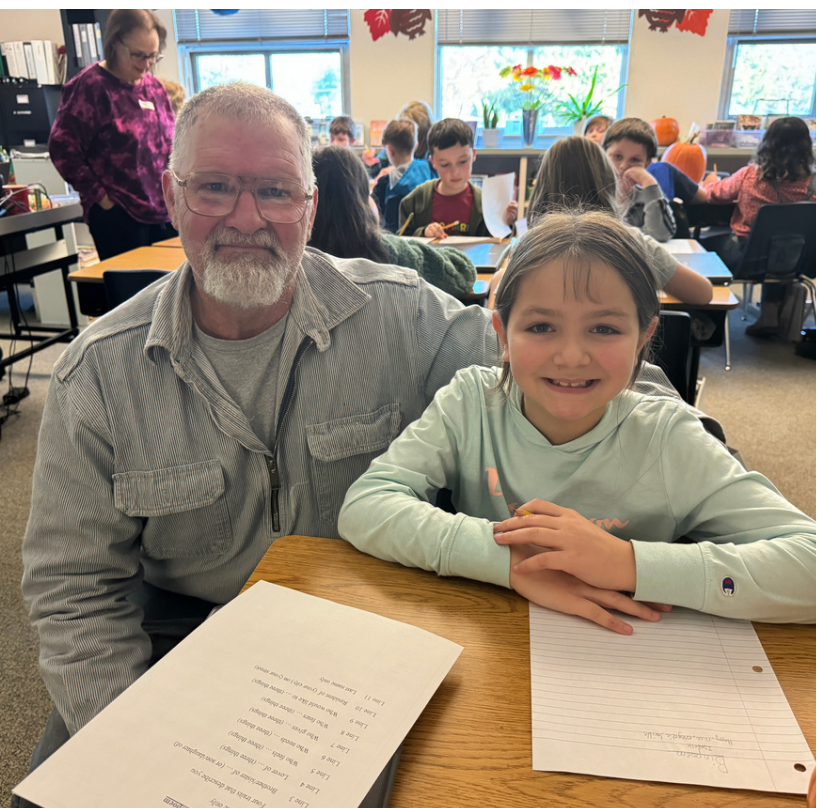
Thank you to all who attended!





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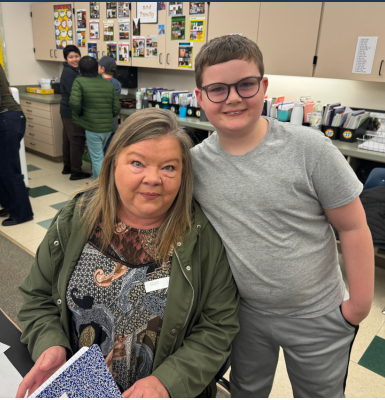
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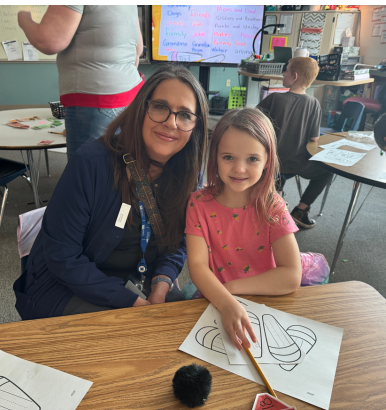
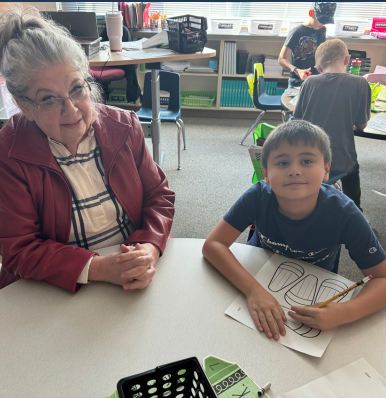
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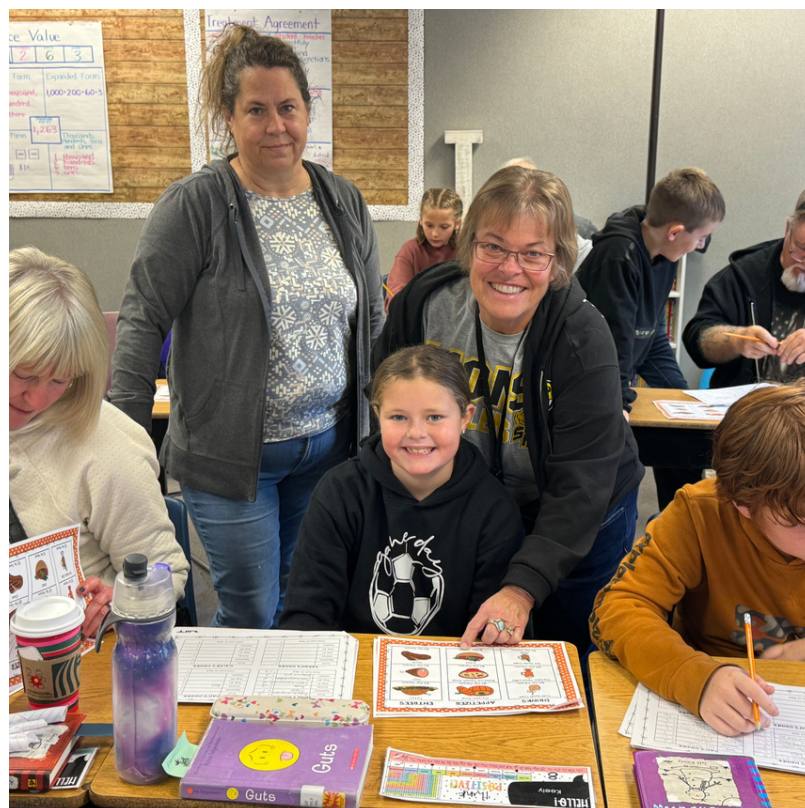
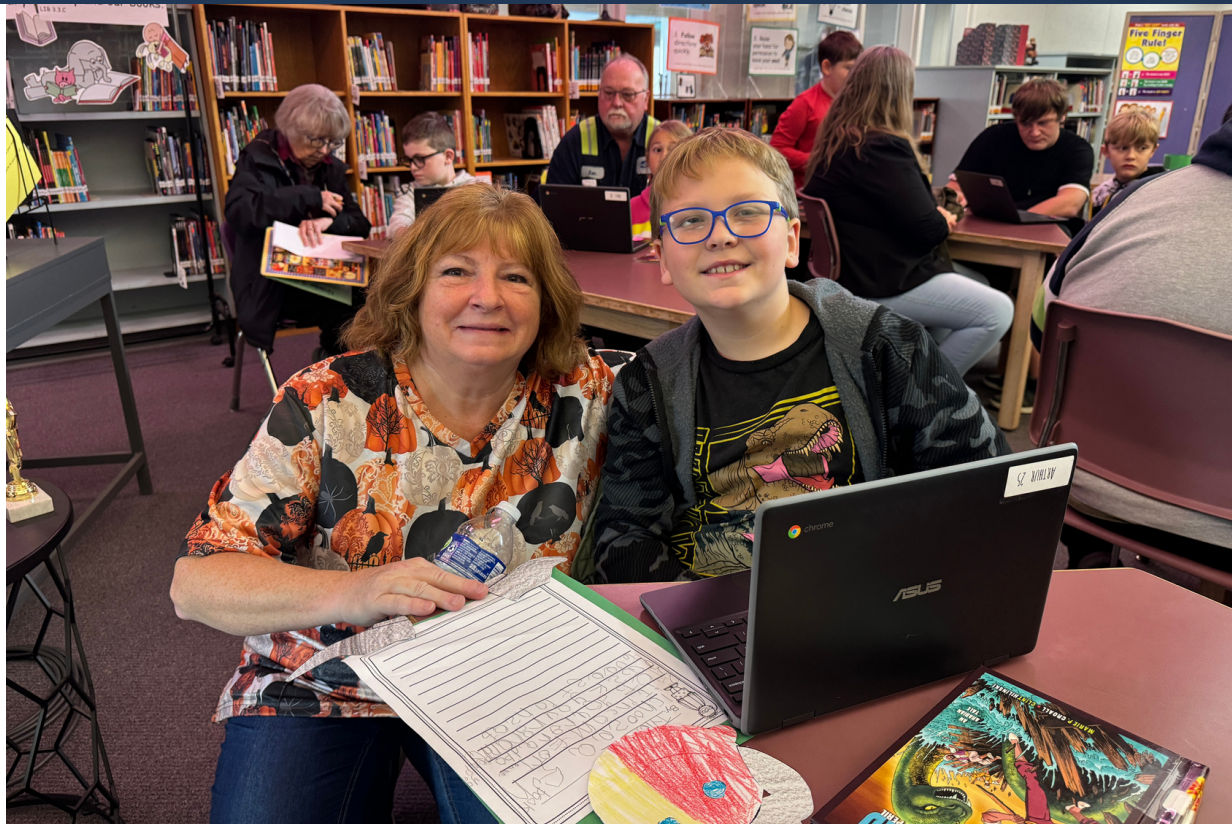
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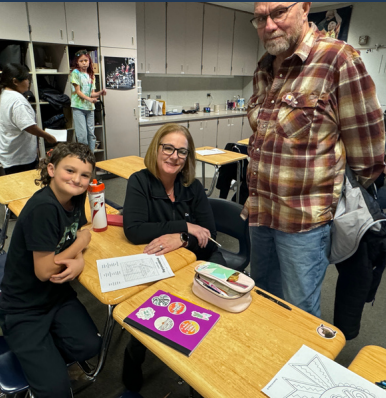
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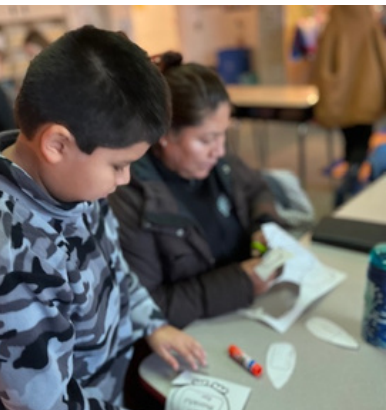
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**St. Helens High School students selected for  
Western International Band Clinic's high school  
honor bands and All-State Honor Bands!**



**Keira Augustus**



**Addison Wells Callow**

Both SHHS students have been selected to participate in the Western International Band Clinic's high school honor bands this weekend.

In addition, Addison was selected to the Oregon Music Educators Association All-State High School Symphonic Band.

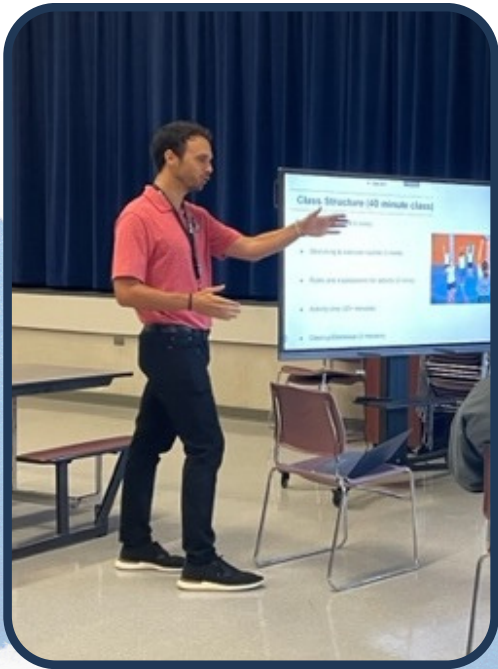


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## Kindergarten Connection Event

McBride Elementary recently hosted a Kindergarten Connection Event where Mr. Raya spoke with parents about the importance of physical education. Connecting with families, he shared skills that kindergarteners are developing in addition to providing parents tips for activities to try at home.





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## First Responders Meeting

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





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## ELKS TEEN OF THE MONTH

**MASON  
ERICKSON**

St. Helens High School is pleased to announce that Mason Erickson has been chosen as the October Elks Teen of the Month!

Mason has been an outstanding student, athlete, and member of the community. When he first found out that he was chosen, his response was, "I was very thankful for the award as I know it's very difficult to receive since you are selected and don't apply for it. It felt great to know my work wasn't going unnoticed."

Mason is very involved as an athlete, participating in football in the fall, wrestling in the winter, and track in the spring. Not only is he involved as an excellent athlete, but he has also been a part of Lion Crew for the



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past two years, where he trained and guided freshmen on their first day of school. He also had the honor of being crowned Homecoming King this year.

Mason is not only involved in the school but is also involved in his church's community. He says that recently, he has been helping by splitting wood to donate for people to use in their fireplaces since it's getting closer to winter time.

After high school, Mason plans to study forestry at a college and says, "I am open to all possibilities as plans have a way of being more complicated than you think, and who knows what the future holds."

Mason feels that his best attribute is that he is a hard worker. "I often work without complaint, as there are many times when my classmates complain about our workload, but I understand that life isn't always fair and it needs to get done."

Congratulations Mason!



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In her role as an assistant cook at McBride Elementary, Kim Reid consistently surpasses expectations in her dedication to colleagues and students alike. She willingly takes on additional hours, ensuring tasks are completed, spaces are tidy, and everything is well-organized.

Kim's reliability, kindness, and strong work ethic make her a dependable team member. Kim actively seeks ways to brighten students' days, whether through humor, a playful knock-knock joke, or the creative use of her collection of inflatable costumes on special occasions, all aimed at bringing smiles to the students faces.

Working alongside Kim every day is a source of pride, as she is not just a colleague but also a cherished friend. I can't think of anyone more deserving of this recognition for her outstanding contributions to McBride Elementary and the St. Helens School District.

Congratulations, Kim!



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## SHHS Construction





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## DURHAM SCHOOL SERVICES TRANSITIONING TO BUSZONE MOBILE APP

Students riding the school bus will be sent home with flyers from Durham School Services notifying parents that they will be transitioning from the BusTracker mobile app to BusZone mobile app. This easy-to-use mobile app allows you to check on your student(s) school bus at any time.

### Lighten your daily load.

Raising children is a tough job. This easy-to-use mobile app allows you to check on the school bus whenever you want.

### Set up BusZone:

1. Download the BusZone app from the App Store or Google Play.
2. Enter the above School Access Code.
3. In the search field, enter the bus or route number you want to follow.  
Complete this step for all the buses your students ride throughout the week.
4. Enter your child's unique student ID.
5. Create alert zones around drop-off and pick-up points.

When your child's bus enters an alert zone, you will receive notification by email or text.

### Trust that your information is secure.

Security is priority one, especially where student information is concerned. All parent/guardian information is locked down and password protected within the app to prevent unauthorized people from opening the app and viewing the child's bus information.

Have questions? Need more information?

Email [buszone2040@nellc.com](mailto:buszone2040@nellc.com)

### Key features

- View a real-time, map-based bus locator
- Guarantee parent/guardian and student information privacy
- Create custom zones for each stop and facility
- Send email alerts and SMS messages
- Available on smartphones and tablets



**Learn how to  
use BusZone**  
Scan the QR  
code to see the  
user guide.



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## November Dates to Remember



- November 20, 2023 - Evening Conferences
    - NO SCHOOL for students
  - November 21, 2023 - Daytime Conferences
    - NO SCHOOL for students
  - November 22, 2023 - Non-Contract Day
    - NO SCHOOL for students or staff
  - November 23, 2023 - Holiday
    - NO SCHOOL for students and staff
  - November 24, 2023 - Non-Contact Day
    - NO SCHOOL for students and staff
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## 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 <https://sthelens.tedk12.com//hire/Index.aspx>.

Questions may be directed to Director of Human Resources, Pete Moshinsky, at [petem@sthelens.k12.or.us](mailto:petem@sthelens.k12.or.us)

## Substitues



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 <https://www.ess.com>. This site contains information on the requirements to be a substitute as well as what positions are currently open.



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