



NOMINATION LETTER

Re: Deputy Mike Chatelain (WCSO)

Award: Partners in Education

Date: October 6, 2021

We are pleased to present Deputy Mike Chatelain with the Partners in Education award. Before coming to the Weber County Sheriff's Office, Deputy Chatelain spent the first part of his law enforcement career with the Ogden Police Department, where he was a distinguished K-9 handler and instructor. Many consider him to be a foremost expert in this field.

Over the past 10 years, Deputy Chatelain has served as a school resource officer (SRO) at Wahlquist Jr. High. He became a familiar face in the Wahlquist community and surrounding elementary schools. Besides mingling and interacting with students in the hallways of Wahlquist, he could also be found teaching the NOVA program to elementary students.

Deputy Chatelain was instrumental in implementing the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) in Weber School District, and teaching it to various groups, including our Child Nutrition workers.

His big stature may be a little intimidating, but Deputy Chatelain truly is a gentle giant. His calm and friendly demeanor has been critical in building relationships with students and staff. His commitment to his role as a school resource officer, not only made him a vital part of the school's administrative team, but also a role model for other school resource officers.

Besides his distinguished years of service, it is the little things that really set Deputy Chatelain apart. He is a true "sheepdog" in the sense he is always looking out for children. Each morning, he could be seen monitoring the crosswalk on 2700 North, making sure cars were stopping for students. Occasionally, he would even be out helping children cross the busy street. He was always there for school activities and after-hour events, and his presence brought a sense of safety and security to the school.

It is an honor to recognize Deputy Chatelain for his years of services at Weber School District, as he has been a true partner in education!

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