

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY

SUMMARY

The district recognizes the following individuals for their outstanding achievement and contributions to the Beaverton School District and the community.

BACKGROUND

YoungArts National Competition Winners

Congratulations to Westview High School students Sarah Baglin and Eunji Ryu who were both named 2024 YoungArts National Competition winners — Sarah for Theater/Musical Theater and Eunji for Writing/Play or Script.

YoungArts identifies exceptional young artists, amplifies their potential and invests in their lifelong creative freedom. Award winners are selected through a blind adjudication process conducted by an independent panel of highly accomplished artists in their fields.

2023 Clean School Bus Grant

The Environmental Protection Agency has selected the Beaverton School District and its Fleet Electrification Project to receive a \$20 million grant from the 2023 Clean School Bus Grant Program. The EPA grant will fund the replacement of 50 of the district's 225 renewable diesel buses with zero-emission electric school buses.

BSD is among those school districts leading the country in the move to fully electric and renewable fuel-powered school buses as a way to decrease greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful pollutants which contribute to climate change. BSD was the first school district in Oregon to acquire an electric school bus, in 2021, and was the first to convert our school bus fleet entirely to low-emission renewable fuels. Since then, the district has added electric buses yearly, for a current total of 15 electric buses and 31 charging stations. More information about BSD's move to clean school buses is available on the Transportation Department's Environmental Efforts webpage.