

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

Beat the Odds Scholarship Winners

Kiarah O'Hare-Pham, a senior at Sunset High School, and Tatum Wilson, a senior at Beaverton High School, have been awarded the Beat the Odds Scholarship from Stand with Children.

The Beat the Odds Scholarship program was started in 2007 to emphasize the critical role that education plays in helping students meet challenges on their paths to success. The program is a partnership between Stand for Children Oregon and The Renaissance Foundation. The award is renewable for up to four years for a total of \$20,000.

Kiarah says discovering she had dyslexia was an "aha" moment for her. It made her realize that she is capable of doing anything; it just may take her a bit longer. She participates in the Health Careers CTE program and is on the Sunset High School wrestling team.

Tatum attributes her success to Beaverton High School's social workers who have supported and encouraged her in her educational journey. She says the most beneficial aspects of her high school experience have been participating in the Student Voice Committee and being a peer leader in the Sources of Strength Club.

Oregon Kid Governor

BSD student Zoya Shah, a fifth grader at Findley Elementary School, has been named the 2024 Oregon Kid Governor.

Zoya's platform is creating mental health awareness in youth. She has a three-point plan of action:

- 1. Creating awareness by normalizing and removing stigma
- 2. Identifying triggers that cause anxiety and depression
- 3. Providing support and tools to cope

Zoya's campaign video can be viewed here.

RECOMMENDATION

The board recognizes Beat the Odds Scholarship Winners Kiarah O'Hare-Pham and Tatum Wilson and Oregon Kid Governor Zoya Shah for their outstanding contributions to the district and the community.

Belong. Believe. Achieve.