
RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY

POLICY ISSUE/SITUATION

Tonight, the Board recognizes the following individuals for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the Beaverton School District and the community.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Volunteer Appreciation (Findley and Jacob Wismer Elementary Schools) – Bethany Baptist Church

The Bethany Baptist Church has partnered with two Beaverton elementary Schools, Findley and Jacob Wismer to create two very unique and supportive partnerships.

At Findley Elementary School, the church has generated volunteers to participate in organized games during students' recesses. The volunteers will play the games with students and utilize the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Grid and Life Skills Tickets to promote positive behavior. Students will learn how to handle winning and losing situations, encourage each other, and deal with conflict and/or controversy during games.

Bethany Baptist volunteers participated in the following training to implement this program:

- School rules for organized game(s)
- Role-play scenarios
- PBIS Grid and Life Skills Tickets
- Tour of the Findley playground area, provided by Findley's 5th Grade Dragon Riders
- Safety procedures

At Jacob Wismer Elementary School, Bethany Baptist volunteers will participate in a Reading Buddy Program for struggling readers in all grade levels.

Thank you, to all of the many volunteers at Bethany Baptist Church for their dedication and commitment to the success of students at Findley and Jacob Wismer Elementary Schools.

Socks for Doernbecher – Araya Harrison

Araya Harrison, an eighth grader at Cedar Park Middle School, organized a service-learning project to collect socks for children being treated at Doernbecher Children's Hospital.

Following an illness in her own family, Araya wanted to brighten up the day of the patients being treated at Doernbecher. Children have to wear hospital gowns and no shoes; and Araya thought that colorful, funky socks would allow the kids to express their own style and make them more comfortable.

Araya set up a collection bin in the front office at Cedar Park Middle School for students, staff and community members to donate fun and funky socks. After four weeks, Araya collected 235 pairs of socks.

Araya was also recognized as a KATU Everyday Hero for: Making a difference one sock at a

time.

Congratulations, Araya and thank you for making a difference in your community.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the School Board recognize Bethany Baptist Church and Araya Harrison for their contributions to the School District.