

Board Policy FF – Naming Facilities/Memorializing and FF-AR – Honoring Deceased Students/Staff

SITUATION

Army Pfc. Andrew J. Keller was killed while on active duty in Afghanistan in August, 2012. Andrew was a 2008 Southridge High School graduate, football team captain and leader at the school. Recently, community members have advocated for Southridge High School's football field to be renamed in his honor.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the School Board engage in a conversation regarding Board Policy FF and the Administrative Regulation, FF-AR.

The Beaverton School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups. It is the policy of the Beaverton School District that there will be no discrimination or harassment of individuals or groups based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, marital status, age, veterans' status, genetic information or disability in any educational programs, activities or employment.

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NAMING FACILITIES/MEMORIALIZING

The Board will select names for schools.

In considering names for schools, preference will be given to names associated with the community. Names of historical persons, places and events may be subsequently considered. Names of living persons will not be considered.

Recommendations from Community Engagement Committees, parent groups, other organizations and residents of the district will be considered.

Facilities within a school, e.g., auditorium, athletic fields, etc., shall not be given separate names.

The superintendent will, upon request, prepare for the Board a list of possible names for each new school. A list of suitable memorials for honoring deceased students and staff will be available for schools to consider.

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HONORING DECEASED STUDENTS/STAFF

Schools, with their principal's approval, may choose to memorialize a student or staff member who has passed away by:

- 1. A bench with plaque with deceased's name
- 2. A living memorial scholarship
- 3. A living memorial with a plaque in the media center. Funds go toward the purchase of books for the media center.
- 4. A plaque placed on an art piece, i.e., a sculpture.
- 5. A living memorial, which funds go toward a scholarship which assists students with athletic fees.
- 6. A score board in the gym with a deceased name.
- 7. A plaque at the base of a flagpole with a list of deceased.
- 8. A plaque on bleachers, "in memory of..."
- 9. A plaque on the backstop, "in memory of..."
- 10. A living memorial fund to aid Pop Warner/Youth Football fees.
- 11. A memorial page in the school yearbook.
- 12. An annual award using the deceased's name for an attribute, such as: good sportsmanship, leadership, etc.
- 13. Planting a tree.
- 14. If their administrative regulations allow it, join with Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District in naming one of their parks a park that is adjacent to one of our schools.

Any change to a building, grounds or permanently attached equipment considered under this AR shall be subject to the review and approval process established under AR FEF/FEFB.