

# BOARD MEETING DATE February 22, 2016



## RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS, STAFF AND COMMUNITY

## POLICY ISSUE/SITUATION

Tonight, the District recognizes the following individuals for their outstanding achievement and contribution to the Beaverton School District and the community. The following recognitions exemplify the Pillars of Excellence and Equity.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

# WE Expect Excellence: Excellence In Elementary Music Education – Kim Putnam

Kim Putnam, Music Teacher at Hazeldale Elementary School, was recently awarded the Excellence in Elementary Music Education Award by the Oregon Music Educator Association (OMEA).

This award recognizes the outstanding commitment and achievement to elementary music education. One nominator wrote "Kim demonstrates a strong belief that every child should have access to a high-quality music education. She has done an amazing job bringing the community together through music and providing her students opportunities they will remember for their entire lives."

"If you walk by the music room on any day, you will see high engagement. There is laughter, movement and sound. Always. There is not a moment wasted in the rhythm of a routine she has for each grade level. From direct instruction, to practice, to playing an intentional game - all is done with intention and I would add with joy," states Angela Tran, Principal at Hazeldale Elementary School.

Congratulations, Kim!

# WE Embrace Equity: Beaver Achievers at Beaverton High School

Beaver Achievers is an academic support program offered every Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. where students can work on homework, get help from a teacher, or receive tutoring.

Every week, there are teachers from four core content areas: Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies available to assist students. There are also two instructional assistants, both with a language background to work with students who are emerging with literacy in English.

"Our ESL students are one the highest attending groups at Beaver Achievers. They are very motivated students who want to learn English quickly and get ahead in their classes," says ESL teacher Julie Fairman.

Students have access to a multitude of resources. There are computers, Chromebooks, scientific calculators, extra textbooks and supplies and materials they may need to complete projects.

Students are offered light snacks throughout the sessions and pizza is served at the end. If students need a ride home, they are issued a bus pass. "We are trying to eliminate any possible barrier a student may have in accessing the support they need," says Dubuque.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the School Board recognize the Kim Putnam and Beaverton High School for their contributions to student success.

District Goal: WE empower all students to achieve post-high school success.

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