Certificated School Employee Appreciation Week

During the first full week in May we celebrated Certificated Staff Appreciation Week. Our district is fortunate to have a great team of educational professionals who are dedicated to helping our students succeed. These individuals are valued for the outstanding job that they do each and every day. Their hard work, thoughtfulness, creativity and caring continue to make a difference in our students lives.

**Elementary Teachers:** Ms. Baglien, Mrs. Berg, Miss Bower, Mr. Brooks, Miss Cahill, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. DeBolt, Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Meagher, Mrs. Metzenberg, Mrs. Miller, Ms. Minkoff, Mrs. Prouty, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Scheuber, Mrs. Sutley, Mr. Wrzesinski. **Principal:** Mrs. Dallas.

**Middle/High Teachers:** Ms. Adamson, Mr. Bannish, Mr. Bigbee, Mrs. Boyd, Mr. Brumbaugh, Mrs. Galaviz, Mr. Gosman, Mrs. Hartley, Mr. Hodges, Mrs. Holbrook, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Majors, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Moon, Mr. Moss, Mrs. Parks, Mr. Penman, Mr. Pocklington, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Veatch, Mrs. Wellander. **District Nurse:** Mrs. Ramsey. **Counselor:** Mr. Salme **Principal:** Mr. Nelson.

Thank you for all you do!!

**Staying Connected**

Once again our community has found itself in a very unique situation and once again we have come together to face the storm head on. Each day students are connected to school by our bus drivers. Everyday our amazing staff put together over 300 breakfasts and lunches that are delivered to students throughout the district. Along with meal deliveries, our fabulous drivers collect and distribute any needed school work or resources. We are so thankful to be able to continue connecting with our students and their parents. Thank you so much. You have really done an amazing job of adjusting to the current situation. If you would like to sign up for meals and have not yet done so please complete the online survey at www.adnaschools.org.

**Distance Learning Continues**

Students have found very creative ways to stay connected with their friends and get their school work completed. Here 5th grade students Shelby Eixenberger and Jaycee Burdick FaceTime to get their math assignments finished.

If you need to contact your student’s teacher there are resources to connect with them on the district website labeled “Online Student Course Work” which includes a list of staff emails and link to Skyward Family Access.

**HELPING OTHERS** - Our School purchased a Glowforge laser cutter for the Elementary STEM room, and we were able to use it for a few weeks before we had to leave school and transition to distance learning. The cool thing about this machine is the ability to help others in this pandemic. Mrs. Scheuber is cutting close to 500 ear savers for Madigan Army Hospital ICU! These ear savers are made from acrylic and are worn on the back on the head to hold the face mask on. This way healthcare professionals’ ears don’t get sore and raw from wearing a mask all day. And because they are cut out of acrylic they can be sanitized and used daily!
Dear Senior Class of 2020

I recognize the anxiety and range of emotions you may be experiencing. You need to know that everyone at Adna Middle/High School is "on your side" and we acknowledge the importance of your Senior year and the traditions that are part of it.

I am sad for you; truly, I am. I feel deeply for you; truly, I do. It makes my heart hurt as I write. But if there is any group that can plow through this in creative ways, it is your group. There is no pandemic strong enough to silence you or dent your passion. Keep your head up and keep fighting. You are an incredibly resilient class with exceptional individuals that have an amazing breadth of talents and interests. Our community needs you because you provide hope for our future. This year may not be what you envisioned, but I’m eager to see what you do with it.

These are unprecedented times that require extraordinary measures from all of us. The uncertainty of the future will continue for awhile, so I cannot propose firm dates or concrete plans at this moment. We are in constant discussions about ways to honor you and make the best of the situation. As you look around our community, I hope you are recognizing the ways we are starting to showcase you; on the readerboard, on the walls of the Adna Store, on social media, tributes like #BethelightWA and Staff Fit for Seniors challenge. This is just the beginning.

I end with some strong words of encouragement from Harriet Tubman:
You have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars and change the world.

Mr. Thad Nelson
AMHS Principal
Angie Mentink joined our Class of 2020 Senior Zoom meeting this week.
She played fastpitch at the University of Washington and professionally for the Silver Bullets. Angie has worked as a broadcaster for the Seattle Mariners and ROOT Sports since 1998. She spoke to our Seniors about overcoming adversity and having a good perspective about what is important during our current epidemic.
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