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70 Staff Members Honored for Excellence

Excellence in Education awards May 2 recognize outstanding staff members

On Thursday, May 2, Bend-La Pine Schools will celebrate 70 staff members who make a positive difference in the lives of students — from counselors to office staff to classroom teachers — during the annual Excellence in Education awards at Mountain View High School.

“These staff members give their all to serve our students – whether driving a school bus or teaching a classroom of students. I am proud to work alongside each of these dedicated individuals,” said Superintendent Shay Mikalson. “I look forward to this event every year as a way to celebrate the tremendous contributions of our staff.”

The honored staff members will be considered for Bend-La Pine Schools’ teacher and support staff person of the year awards, announced in August.

Staff members honored for their outstanding contributions are:

Amity Creek Magnet School — Mindy Saye
Bear Creek Elementary — Stephanie Boni, Juli Kittrell
Bend Senior High School — Brooke Baxter, Amy Sabbadini
Buckingham Elementary — Laci Fisher, Valerie Sims
Cascade Middle School — Shannon Busack, Erica Dietz
Elk Meadow Elementary — Shirley Lundgren, Olivia Variel
Ensworth Elementary — Ashley Hynes
High Desert Middle School — Tim Bennett, Lynne Tat
High Lakes Elementary — Lori Craft, Heidi Odman
Highland Magnet School — Shawna Junker, Misha Therrian
R.E. Jewell Elementary — Darin Bloxham, Angela MacFarland
Juniper Elementary — Eilean Karpstein, Andrea Lentz
La Pine Elementary — Dawn Olson, Megan Silvey
La Pine High School — Donna Seaton, Daren vom Steeg
La Pine Middle School — Jennifer McGee, Makrina Rohde
Lava Ridge Elementary — Kathy Johnson, Carole Nase
William E. Miller Elementary — Erin Kerr, Della Yee Petrus

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Mountain View High School — Pam Houser, Sharon Sieveking
Pacific Crest Middle School — Julia Reynolds, Debbie Van Vliet
Pilot Butte Middle School — Kasey Cartmill, Matt McCown
Pine Ridge Elementary — Dan Johnson, Jacque King
Ponderosa Elementary — Mary Scrocca, Kristin Shaw
Realms Middle School — Amy Anderson, Kelly Beck
Realms High School —Michelle Hanford, Jennifer Scalley,
Rosland Elementary — Lauren Allen, Benita Ketchum
Silver Rail Elementary — Mindy Brook, Donna Lindsay
Sky View Middle School — Steve Kelly, Greg Wognild
Skyline High School — Carisa Gregg, Gabe Schepergerdes
Summit High School — Kristy Knoll, Amy Micheletti
Three Rivers K-8 School — Nicole Macht, Penny Marks
Westside Village Magnet School — Lisa Fairman, Christen Magaret
Business Office — Cindy Wallskog
Nutrition Services — GinnyAnne Fillmore
Special Programs — Nora Cheek, Jessica Jeffrey
Maintenance — Clayton Forney
Information Technology — John Aubry
Office of School Support — JoAnne Kienzle
Bend Transportation — L.B. Davis
La Pine Transportation — Yvette White
Teaching & Learning — Scott McDonald

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