

Rainier School District Newsletter



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Congratulations!

Class of 2020

Tyler Barlass
Sophie Beadle
Klhoe Boston
Kayleigh Brown
Elias Cunningham
Colby Davis
Erika DeMint
Alexa Dunn
Isaiah Elston
Caitlin Galbraith
Nevaeh Gallwas
Anthony Garber
Theresa Geray
Joseph Gerrish
Lukas Gibson
Nathan Godshall
Thomas Hand
Evan Henson

Sheena Herigstad
Lorelle Hughes
Mason Jojola
Lauren Jones
Taylor Kendall
Dylan Kerney
Brody Klein
Brooke Klumpp
Shawn Lapine
Scout Lees
Florenzio Lugo
Ayelen Maddox
Mikayla Mantegna
Gabriel Murchison
Brady Nedrow
Emily Patton
Vanessa Penner Champlin
Hailey Phillips

Lorianne Price
Makara Quackenbush
Megan Roberts
Lester Robinson
Nicholas Robinson
Tristen Roosa
James Santino
Haley Sauve
Rushell Scholz-Burnham
Kyona Seay
Haylie Simon-Chamberlain
Montanna Spivey
Samantha Stang
Clara Wagner
Olivia Watts
Khailyn Yarbrough
Branden Ziemathis



Rainier High School Mountaineers

Principal John Beckman

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Assistant Principal Jerrad Jeske

Top 5 for the Class of 2020



Co-Valedictorian Brody Klein, is the son of Christopher and Shawna Klein. Brody is a 1st Generation RHS Graduate. He will be attending Central College in Iowa this fall, to pursue physical therapy and athletic training. He plans to participate in football and track.



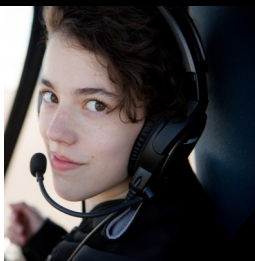
Co-Valedictorian Erika DeMint, is the daughter of Douglas and Michelle DeMint. Erika is a 1st Generation RHS Graduate. She will be attending Seattle University on a three year Army ROTC Scholarship. Erika will be pursuing a degree in Sports and Exercise Science.



Sophie Beadle is the daughter of Rex and Jenny Beadle. Sophie is a 1st Generation RHS Graduate. She will be attending Seattle Pacific University in the fall to pursue a degree in Journalism.



Emily Patton is the daughter of Kevin Patton and Cindy Gordon. Emily is a 1st Generation RHS Graduate. She will be attending Centralia Community College in the fall to pursue a degree in Business.



Alexa Dunn is the daughter of Curtis and Amy Dunn. Alexa is a 1st Generation RHS Graduate. She will be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Arizona where she will pursue a Bachelor's degree in Aeronautics to fly helicopters.

2020 ASB Executive Board



2020 ASB Executive Board:(left to right) Asst Treasurer Selena Niemi, Treasurer Riffe Holmes, Vice Erika DeMint, Secretary Vanessa Champlin, President Montanna Spivey, ASB Rep Lauren Jones and Sgt At Arms Sophie Beadle.

Thank you for committing to ASB Leadership throughout your time at Rainier High School. As a core group of leaders at our school, it has been my privilege to work with these fine folks. Five members of this team are seniors and have been involved with leading their school through ASB the whole time they have been enrolled at RHS. They are amazing and as an entire team have supported and advocated for equity and innovation in our student activities. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to **YOUR** school.

Class of 2020, we all will miss you!

Outstanding Leaders!!

The Class of 2020 has many amazing student leaders and we have all been blessed to teach, learn, work with and love this class. I can't recognize all of them here but I'd like to give **BIG THANKS** to these two seniors: Montanna Spivey and Vanessa Champlin. I'd like to recognize their commitment to Rainier High School. For the past four years, every Homecoming and Prom was planned, organized, set up and executed by these two young ladies and others. These two demonstrated continually building/modeling leadership skills throughout their high school career. The events ranged from blood drives, teacher recognition activities, putting on assemblies, planning dress up spirit days, chairing food drives, coordinating door decorating to advocating for student activities and many other events that went well because of their skills and tenacity. I have treasured every day working with these two for the past four years. Our school will miss their leadership next year, as well as all the leaders of the Class of 2020!

Mrs. Rossmaier



Dr. Seuss Day High School Volunteers



ASB Concession Leadership

This is Haley Sauve. She has spent the majority of her high school years learning about running a business through Rainier High School ASB Concessions. She learned about costs, profit, cooking, health codes, procurement and finally supervising her peers in this business. Haley did it all and quite perfectly. She was always willing to listen to corrective criticism, analyze it, research solutions and put those plans into action. We appreciated your years of service to RHS and will miss you greatly. We know you will be more than successful as you venture into the REAL WORLD. Thank you Haley!!



Mr. Lybecker's Shop Classes



Brody Klein designed and made a beautiful plasma cut piece of art from a discarded Manke Lumber sawmill bandsaw blade to donate to the REF. Brody is in Advanced Metals this semester.

Metal Class

Wood Class

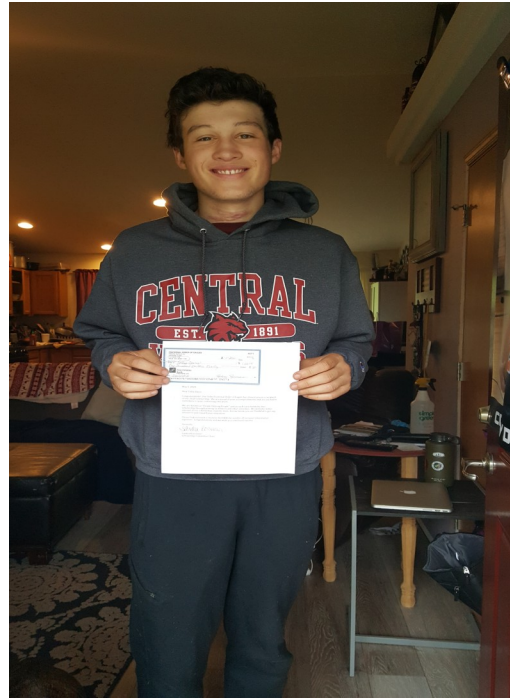


Neveah Gallwas designed and created this beautiful box in woods class.

Yelm Eagles Scholarship Winners

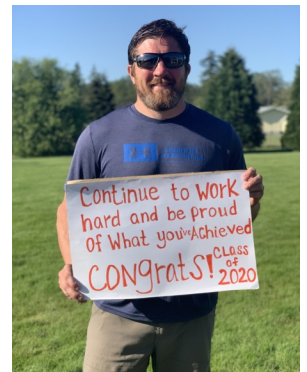
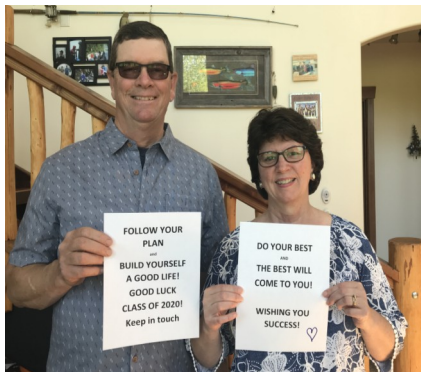
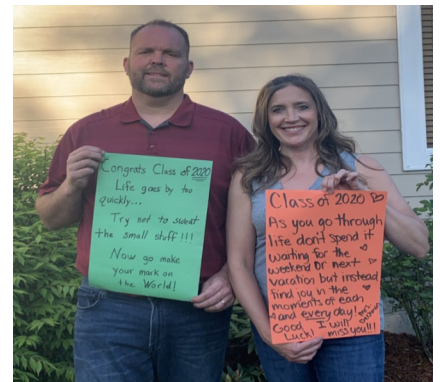


Montanna Spivey



Colby Davis

Congratulations Class of 2020



Rainier Middle School

Mountain Lions



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Class of 2024!

Johnny Boesch
Dakota Boldin
Buggy Borman
Racquel Carrillo
Jordan Chamberlain
Jamie Cherrett
Sabastian Clark
Ariel Cochran
Ryder Cruse
Korbin DeCremer
Emma Desotell
Kylie Espino
Madeline Franklin
Mariah Garretson
Auto Gibeau
Damion Green
Christopher Grey
Lilly Guerra
Mickey Hanna
Raychel Hansen
Haleigh Hanson

Sahaylee Hart
Dominick Henson
Hailey Herman
Wren Hickey
Raiden Hober
Mason Hornby
Hailey Johns
Tristin Johnson
John Kenney
Matthew Kenney
Rilee Key
Sara Keyes
Nadia Kight
Katherine Kinahan
Gabriella Koski
Brody Landram
Cassidy Lawrence-Olsen
Dakota Lees
Alaynah Lester
Angelina Mendoza
Makalo Mokuohai
McKenzie Noble

Riley Osborne
Iosefa Peneueta
Gabriel Perry
Lilyana Ramalho
Sara Reeves
Miah Reynolds
Toni Riccio
Jade Roosa
Kayteley Schenk
Maxzine Shaw
Amanda Shepherd
Daniel Skinner
Lana Smith
Austen Spangler
Jared Sprouffske
Valeria Stroh
Addyson Sutherland
Henry Trueblood
Jade Trutman
Dulcea Ventura
Jacob Warner



Rainier Elementary School Cougars

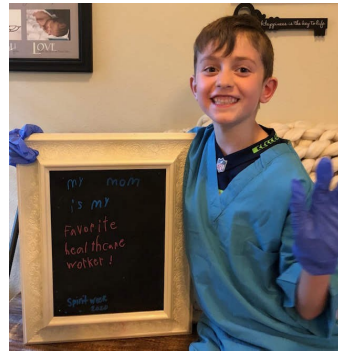
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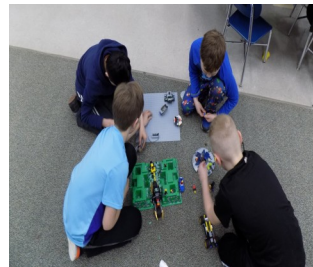
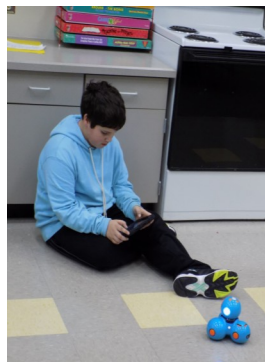
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Student Support PK Deusen

Spirit Week 2020



STEM Presentation by Mike McGowan with the Yelm Timberland Library



Retirements

Donna Granahan—has worked for the school district for 26 years, in addition to the years of volunteering and subbing. She has helped teach in classes Kindergarten through 12th grade. She worked for many years in the Special Education Department. Some of the highlights of Donna's career include: liaison for the transportation department, certified to teach a reading program (along with colleagues they taught the program for ten plus years and helped many students of all abilities and ages), rode on the lift bus for all 26 years. As Donna like to say, "We take care of the kids so the driver can drive".
As for future plans: REST!!

Barbara Diamond—started subbing in the food service and custodial departments 6 years ago. After 1 year, she started working fulltime as a custodian at the middle school. She really enjoyed her time at Rainier and loved working around the kids, teachers and all the wonderful people that make Rainier the school that it is!!
Barbara looks forward to spending time with her family, working in the yard and traveling with her husband.

Debra Thurston—has worked for the Rainier School District for 27 years, spending many of those years working in the Special Education Department, which has been such a pleasure and a joy for her. For the last few years, she has also helped to maintain the student immunization records for the district. Debra has worked as an LPN for 43 years. Working with the kids in the Rainier School District has been the highlight of her career. Retiring is bittersweet for her. She will miss working with all the wonderful students, parents and staff. Debra will be leaving with many life long friendships in the wonderful community of Rainier.

Madonna Fortin—started volunteering in 1990 literally "full time" for 6 years. Her son had started Kindergarten and had health issues, therefore, she could monitor him. She fell in love with everything about the school. Shortly afterward, she was hired as a "1 year employee" twice. In 1998, she was hired as a full time employee. Since then, she has worked as a Paraeducator helping teach in Kindergarten through fifth grade, has helped in the food service department and the elementary office. Madonna has loved every minute of her career, feeling it was the best thing she ever did. She will truly miss the kids and staff at RES.
As for future plans: do some home improvements, relax and dabble in her passion of arts and crafts.

Pam Lenz—is retiring after 8 years of working in the Food Service Department. She plans to work on home improvements and other projects that she had been putting off.

Rick McCarty—will be retiring on August 31, 2020. He has worked for the district for 25 years in maintenance, custodial and as a bus driver.
Once retired, Rick would like to spend more time with his family, travel to see out of town family and try his hand at gardening. He also plans to do sub work for the district.
Rick would like to thank everyone in the RSD for making the last 25 years enjoyable and interesting, he could not have made it 25 years without everyone working together to get the jobs done.

Erin Pringle—started working for RSD in September of the 1994-1995 school year. She's had many duties in her career and has supported students in grades K-12. Some of her favorite accomplishments include: driving high school students to New Market Skills Center, supporting them with their vocational skills, being a certified ReadRight tutor, teaching students to read in a new way that lead to elimination of their reading problems and being a part of the Middle School team to earn recognition from OSPI for "closing the gap" for IEP students. She will be forever grateful to RSD for giving her the opportunity to be a part of this family of awesome educators.

As Erin finishes her 20th year with the RSD, "What a weird way to finish my career!" She was working when the Nisqually earthquake hit, on 9/11 and now during the covid-19 pandemic. She misses not being able to see her students and support them during this time. Not getting to say good-bye has been heart-breaking at times for her.

Erin looks forward to the next chapter of life and the freedom to do whatever she wants! Plans include lots of traveling in their RV to visit of our beautiful country and spend time with family and friends near and far.

Lynn Gerrits—After volunteering and a year of subbing, Lynn started working for RSD in 1999. She worked in the Special Education Department with Mary Jo Kinney. She provided support that allowed students to experience activities outside the classroom like: skiing, horseback riding, swimming and running a store. Later, she supported students in our community at local businesses like Brogans, Gordons, restaurants and others.

Lynn started transporting students to New Market Skills Center where she got to support them in automotive repair, culinary, banking, Microsoft, early childhood, pre-veterinary, pre-nursing and firefighting programs. Eventually, Lynn transitioned to Academic Intervention where she provided support to students in Algebra, Geometry, English, Bio tech, Art, PE and other classes.

Lynn feels very fortunate to have held the position of Paraeducator at Rainier High School. She could not have wished for a more fulfilling job, for more wonderful co-workers, or a better place to work. Lynn is so very thankful and will miss everyone immensely!!

As for future plans: she has grandkids to play with, a tree farm to work, kayaking, hiking and gardening with her husband. Once the Covid pandemic is better controlled, they will be traveling to Hong Kong to visit with their daughter and her husband.

Message from the School Nurse

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Starting August 1, 2020, all immunization records turned into schools are required by state law to be medically verified. Immunizations records must be turned into the school on or before the first day of attendance. This means immunization records must be from a health care provider or you must attach paperwork from a health care provider to your handwritten form that shows your child's records are accurate. Your child cannot attend school until you provide these records.

Here are some examples of medically verified immunization records:

- A. A completed Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) signed by a health care provider. Find the CIS form by visiting <https://www.doh.wa.gov/SCCI> and clicking on "Certificate of Immunization Status".
- B. A CIS filled out by you or another parent/guardian with medical records attached.
- C. A CIS printed by health care provider or school from Washington State Immunization Information System.
- D. A CIS printed from [MyIR](https://wa.myir.net/register) which is a free Department of Health online tool that allows families to view and print their official immunization records themselves. Go to <https://wa.myir.net/register> to begin the sign up process.

If you are requesting an exemption from one or more of the immunization requirements, you must provide the school a completed Certificate of Exemption.

If your child already meets immunization requirements and has records on file with the school, you do not need to do anything. If you aren't sure or if you have any questions please contact Nurse Heidi at your child's school.

Thank you,
Heidi Collins RN



The Rainier School District would like to thank all the wonderful volunteers for their dedication to our students. Your time assisting students in the classroom, on field trips, chaperoning at dances and helping at sporting events is very valuable to us.

Out of District Students

Students living out of the Rainier School District borders must complete an Inter-District Transfer **EVERY YEAR**. Please contact the school district you live in to start the paperwork for the 2020-2021 school year.

Returning out of district students will not be assigned classes until this paperwork is completed.

Rainier School District #307

Superintendent: Bryon Bahr

Board of Directors:

Chairperson Jerry Sprouffske, Rebecca Stillings, Dana Spivey, Barry Greenwood and Cherie Davis

Child Find

Rainier School District is committed to addressing the unique needs of students with disabilities ages Birth through 21 residing within the boundaries of the Rainier School District. This includes children with disabilities enrolled in private, including religious schools, as well as children who are homeless (if your family is living in a temporary situation, you may contact the district where you are currently staying for a screening). Disabilities can be in any one of several areas that ultimately affect a child's learning, such as the ability to think, to express oneself, to see or hear clearly, to get around or understand instructions given.

Birth to 5 children have access to free developmental assessment. Areas could include:

- approaches to learning
- physical/motor
- social/emotional
- cognitive
- communication and language
- literacy
- math/numeracy
- sensory function
- temperament
- behavior
- specific disabilities such as autism

If you have a child who you think might have a disability requiring special education instruction or significant accommodations at school or if you know of such a child, please feel free to contact the Rainier School District Special Education Office at 360-446-7406 ext 1210 or P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576

Food Service

The goal of the School Breakfast and Lunch Program is to provide nutritious meals to children during the school day. Children may receive breakfast and lunch at no cost to them if they are categorically eligible for free meals or if they qualify for free meals based on Federal poverty guidelines. Sometime, however, children who do not qualify based on these standards would like a breakfast or lunch, but do not have money in their account or in-hand to cover the cost of the meal at the time of meal service.

Rainier School District recognizes that unpaid meal charges represent a difficult and complex issue directly impacting the school, as well as the children they serve. We are sensitive to this fact. **However, now that we are at the end of the school year, the school district must balance our school food service operations.** Please make sure your student (s) lunch accounts are paid in full. Money can be added to a child's meal account by using a credit card online at: www.rainier.wednet.edu

A detailed report of your child's meal account activity can be obtained by logging into Family Access.

If you have questions, please call 360-446-2207

Nondiscrimination Policy Statement

Rainier School District provides equal opportunity in programs and employment and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin/language, creed/religion, sex, sexual orientation-including gender identity, disability, or the use of a service animal by a person with a disability, age, marital status, honorably discharged veteran or military status and HIV/Hepatitis C status. The district also prohibits discrimination of a mother breastfeeding her child at events that are open to the public. Rainier School District will also take steps to assure that national origin persons who lack English language skills can participate in all education programs, services, and activities. For information regarding translation services or bilingual education, contact the following:

Title IX Coordinator: Jerrad Jeske P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576 360-446-2205 jeskej@rainier.wednet.edu

Section 504/ADA Coordinator: John Beckman P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576 360-446-2205 beckmanj@rainier.wednet.edu

Bilingual Programs: Kim Sackett P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576 360-446-4020 sackettk@rainier.wednet.edu