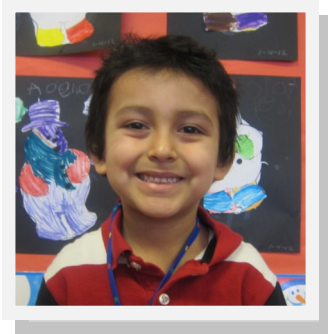


STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS OF THE MONTH JANUARY 2012



Anthony Cisneros Preschool

Anthony Cisneros is a model preschool student and demonstrates respect to his teachers and friends. Anthony goes above and beyond the expectations of the three GLAD standards in the classroom. Anthony loves circle time and has mastered almost all of his letters. He also knows how to write his first and last name, while identifying the letters as he writes them. Anthony recognizes when another student needs help and never hesitates to help without being asked first. His teacher, Mrs. Goudy-Sutterliect said, "He is a pleasure to have in class and looks forward to hearing about his future success in the Toppenish School District. Anthony is the son of Rosalinda Ramirez and Daniel Cisneros. Toppenish School District is proud to recognize Anthony as our Preschool Student of the Month.



Gabriella Gamet Toppenish Middle School

Gabriella is a dynamic 7th grade student who is actively involved in her school and classes including a leadership class, Hula Club and Bully Free Club. She asserts herself as a true leader by example to her fellow students on a daily basis. Gabriella has been instrumental in organizing the "Stop Bullying" activities at TMS. She has proven herself to be focused and driven, not only in leading her fellow students, but also with her performance academically. Gabriella is a conscientious student, making sure she has her work completed on time and is a model student in class. She has maintained a 3.8 GPA throughout her sixth grade year and is currently earning a 3.7 GPA. She has also passed her 4th, 5th and 6th grade WASL/MSP with scores of 400 or higher. Gabriella is a respectful, courteous and responsible person who deserves to be recognized for all of these good qualities. She can even play the saxophone! Gabriella is the daughter of Katherine and Edward Gamet. Toppenish School District is proud to recognize Gabriella Gamet as our Secondary Student of the Month.



Front Row L/R: Judy Jones & Melissa Petersen
Back Row L/R: Kim Williams & Sarah Russell

Special Education PLC Kirkwood Elementary School

Kirkwood Special Education PLC team Judy Jones, Melissa Petersen, Sarah Russell and Kim Williams work hard throughout every day by collaborating with general education teachers to provide academic assistance and positive behavioral intervention support. The team has developed a buddy system to support the most difficult students as well as in class interventions for teachers. These ladies never hesitate to step forward with a smile and a cheerful "what can I do to help" or "call me I am just down the hall," when a member is gone, or when one of their team members has more on their plate for a particular day or issue, or another staff member has a concern. As a team, they are always working to identify and implement strategies for every academic and behavioral need. In the area of reading for example the team is looking at how to increase DIBELS scores by working to build the student's ability to blend sounds and words. The team is working on identifying a math intervention goal, beyond the specialized instruction, to further increase student skills and address deficit skills to meet benchmarks. In the area of writing their students are working on book reports, writing an expository paragraph and narrative with a focus on speech, classification, sequencing, and part to whole in their writing. Way to go SPED PLC you are, as always, blazing a trail for others to follow. You are an awesome group of ladies to work with and we want to say, "Excellent Job". Toppenish School District is proud to recognize Kirkwood Special Education team as the PLC of the Month.

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