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Update

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POLAR PLUNGE.

Go Yoncalla! Our Polar Plunge team was the largest school team and raised the most money of school teams. Congrats to the team!



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Templeton Named to NSBA Panel



YHS sophomore Riley Templeton has been named to represent Oregon and the Yoncalla community in the upcoming NSBA (National School Board Association) conference. Templeton was selected for this honor from a list of thousands of students from the state of Oregon. After going through a rigorous application process and a video interview, Riley was one of two students selected to speak at the NSBA conference.

Founded in 1940, the National School Boards Association's (NSBA) purpose is to ensure each student everywhere has access to excellent and equitable public education governed by high-performing school board leaders and supported by the community.

With members spread across the United States, the Virgin Islands, and Canada, NSBA is the only national organization representing school boards. Along with its member state associations and member public school districts representing locally elected school board officials serving millions of public school students, NSBA believes that public education is a civil right necessary to the dignity and freedom of the American people and that each child, regardless of their ability, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, identity, or citizenship, deserves equitable access to an education that maximizes their individual potential.

A non-partisan association, NSBA leads through working with members, affiliates, and stakeholders to advocate for high-quality public education and school board governance with the executive, legislative, and judicial branches.

NSBA regularly works with the administration and Congress on the common challenges facing ALL school board members, whether they reside in our largest cities or our most remote rural areas. Included among these challenges:

- Providing support for historically disadvantaged students.
- Increasing broadband access and closing the homework gap.
- Ensuring that each classroom is staffed with a highly qualified teacher.
- Providing support for students with disabilities and mental health needs.
- Addressing learning recovery as a result of inequities already existing, but exacerbated by the pandemic.
- NSBA also represents its members' interests before federal and state courts and has participated as amicus curiae in numerous cases addressing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the importance of diversity in public schools, and other legal issues affecting public schools.

<https://www.nsba.org/About>

As the winner of this award, Templeton will be traveling to New Orleans in April to represent the state of Oregon and talk to school board members about her experiences in a small rural school. She will also be able to attend several of the workshops such as developing your communication superpowers through storytelling, becoming more engaged and inclusive, and student achievement data transparency to the public. When asked about her accomplishment Templeton said, "I am so proud that future generations of students in Yoncalla will get to see that if you give an effort towards your goals, your dreams will come true! "

Leadership Update



Leadership at the high school is now in full swing with our tutoring and play at the elementary school. We are excited to be a part of both kindergarten classes, first grade, and third grade PE. Twice a week we go over for the last hour of their day to interact, play, or tutor kids from these classrooms in fun and meaningful ways. While only doing it once a week in our first year, leadership students really wanted to invest more time with the younger kids this year and it's been time well spent. It's special to see the excitement the little kids get when the high schoolers show up and it's even more special to hear how much the high schoolers love being there on the bus ride back to our building. We appreciate the participating teacher's willingness to have us and will continue to look for new ways to increase our impact and interaction between schools in the months and years to come.

Yoncalla School

District Priorities

1. Each student will enjoy positive, engaging learning environments.
2. Each child will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to be successful in post secondary education and careers, and the self-reliance to be a productive citizen.
3. A strong sense of community is recognized and nurtured among all stakeholders
4. Facilities and finances are managed effectively and efficiently for the benefit of each child.





DR. SEUSS NIGHT



Thursday, March 7th
5:30-7:30pm

Yoncalla Elementary School
401 1st Street



Come celebrate reading with
school staff, families, and
community partners!



Middle/High School Students of the Month—February

Preston Carnahan
Yoncalla Middle School
February 2024



Matthew Slocum
Yoncalla High School
February 2024



HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



The senior basketball girls: Kylie Ward, Tiara Martin, and Cecilia Phillips



Daniel Catalan alley-oops



A great save by Kaelynn Danielson