

GRANITE FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT | DECEMBER 2020

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*Thank you to
everyone who
participated in
the GFSD Food
and Gift Drive!*



DRIVE THROUGH FOOD & GIFT DRIVE FESTIVAL



The GFSD Food and Gift Drive hosted a festival on December 9, 2020, at Mountain Way Elementary to help support our local families in need by collecting non-perishable food, toiletries, or cash donations. Drive-through donators and participants received hot cocoa and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus too!

COVID protocols were put in place and followed throughout the event.

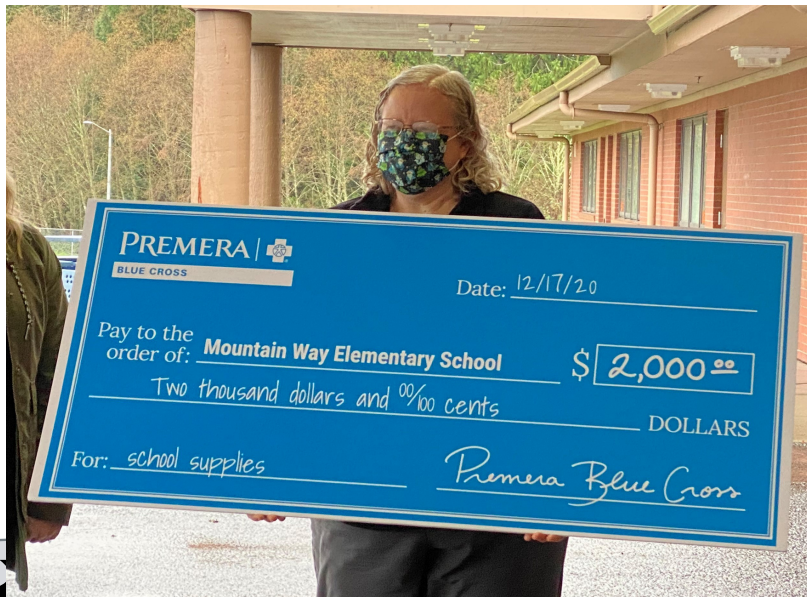


MS. SIMMONS WINS HERO SIZE AWARD

On Thursday, December 17, 2020, 2nd-grade teacher at Mountain Way Elementary Ms. Simmons, better known as Professor Grumbledorf, has been selected as one of Premera Blue Cross Heroes in the Classroom and was honored by being awarded a \$2000 check to go toward school supplies. One of Ms. Simmon's students nominated her for the award for the amazing presentations she puts on in the remote learning environment as Professor Grumbledorf and she was selected as a recipient.

Along with the monetary award, Ms. Simmons was awarded a Seahawks prize pack and received a personalized 12th fan jersey with Stacey's name on it.

Congratulations Stacey Simmons!



Nominate a staff member!

Do you know a staff member of the Granite Falls School District who is doing an amazing job, going above and beyond the call, or just being a great support for your child. Nominate them for the staff spotlight by emailing: communications@gfalls.wednet.edu.

You just may see them in next month's issue of Tiger Pause!



Free Preschool?



Granite Falls School Districts Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) is a state-funded, free preschool program for qualifying children and families. ECEAP is a comprehensive preschool program that partners with parents to support both student learning and the whole family. ECEAP has three main focus areas which include preschool services for 3 and 4 year old children, family services, and health and nutrition services.

For more information please visit the Granite Falls School District website to see if your family qualifies.

Is Your Family Struggling?



Visit the district website for more details or contact the Granite Falls School District McKinney-Vento Coordinator at bwalker@gfalls.wednet.edu or 360-691-7717 ext. 4022 to see how you can get assistance.

During these unprecedented and uncertain times, many families are struggling to make ends meet. Lost wages, the loss of a job or home can put any family in an unexpected situation quickly. For public school children and their families, there is help.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act of 1987 provides support for homeless children and youth to continue their education without interruption or barriers. If your family is homeless, or if you are in a temporary living situation due to economic circumstances, your preschool-aged and school-aged children have certain rights or protections under federal law.

SCHOOL BOARD UPDATES

Policy Updates

Amended

5281: Disciplinary Action and Discharge

Adopted

5275: Civility in the Workplace

Rescinded

1635: Monitoring the Performance Expectations of the Superintendent

Reviewed

5010 Procedures: Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action
Board Operating Protocol & Code of Conduct

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



Sno-Isle Libraries- Classes
and events schedule.



Granite Falls Historical
Society- Monthly Newsletter



Granite Falls Community Coalition



Granite Falls Boys & Girls Club

Important Dates

- 1/18 - No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 1/20 School Board Meeting- Success in Education Awards Night
- 1/26 End of 2nd Quarter
- 2/12-2/14 No School, President's Day & Mid-Winter Break
- 3/1-3/5 Classified School Employees Week
- 3/14 Daylight Savings Time Begins- Move clocks ahead one hour
- 3/29-4/2 Spring Conferences
- 4/5-4/9 No School, Spring Break
- 5/3-5/7 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/31 No School, Memorial Day
- 6/14 Last Day of School



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