



TO: Fruita City Council and Mayor

FROM: Debra Woods, Deputy City Clerk

DATE: December 7, 2021

AGENDA TEXT: Presentation – Fruita Teachers/Students of the Month for December 2021: Monument Ridge Elementary School

BACKGROUND

At the direction of the Fruita City Council, the City of Fruita began recognizing students and teachers in Fruita's schools as "Students of the Month" or "Teachers of the Month" at the first City Council meeting of the month beginning in February of 2019. The students and teachers are chosen by the Principal of each of the schools as being those that represented their school's core values during the previous month.

For the month of December 2021, Monument Ridge Elementary School Principal Emma-Leigh Larson selected her school's four Student Council Officers from the fifth grade. They are:

- President Alivia Hopkins
- Historian Kazlyn Carruth
- Secretary Kennedy Ferrans
- Treasurer Jack Flohr

Principal Larson stated that every day, the staff and students help to model and uphold Monument Ridge's core values which are guided by the school's vision, "Building a Community of Kind Learners." She also stated that the school is such a tight-knit community that it only made sense to include her entire staff, which include the following:

Emma-Leigh Larsen, Principal	Britni Bryan, Music	Beth Butterfield, First
Sharla Skillicorn, Secretary	Jessy McKinley, Special Ed.	Denise Robbins, First
Alex Gallegos, Health Assistant	Myra Brown, Special Ed.	Kersten Kasten, First
Rebecca Bradshaw, Counselor	Allison Ellis, Kindergarten	Michelle D'Agostino, Second
Paul Hughes, PE	Cady Boylan, Kindergarten	Megan Schultz, Second

Mande Gabelson, Computer Science	Brenda Dady, Kindergarten	Leslie Weaver, Third
Jill Hook, Third	Cori Rasmussen, Media/Classroom Para	Kim Quinn, SPED Aide
Brittney Bristol, Fourth	Ophelia Bratcher, Kitchen Manager	Sabrena Inda, SPED Aide
Felicia Cronkhite, Fourth	Alison Woolley, Pre K Lead Teacher	Ryann Tufly, SPED Aide
Andrea Darr, Fifth	Meredith Thornhill, Gifted & Talented	Elizabeth Simonson, SPED Aide
Sarah Gonzales, Fifth	April Hatch, Psychologist	Suzie Moncy, Coach
Christine (Chris) Fessler, READ Act Para	Pam Currie, SPED Aide	Sandra York, SLP
Deb Currier, Classroom Para	Wendy Lewis, SPED Aide	Erica Stewart, OT
Mandy Hughes, Intervention	Leslie Bjelland, Kitchen	Kristina Siladi, PT

Mayor Kincaid will present each of the Student Council Officers with a certificate and day pass to the Fruita Community Center. He will also acknowledge the staff members of the school.