

21 Shoreline teachers receive National Board Certifications

Twenty-one Shoreline School District teachers have received their certifications from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. The teachers, subject areas and schools:

Peggy Aguilar, Spanish, Shorewood

Linda Cobb, Family & Consumer Science, Shorecrest

Nate Courtney, Social Studies, Kellogg

Becca Drury, Journey (grades 6 to 8) program, Room Nine Community School

Amanda Findley, Special Education, Parkwood

Lisa Gastaldi, Counselor, Shorecrest

Cathy Haskins, Math, Einstein

Suzanne Hibbert, Spanish, Shorewood

Jenny Hillger, Library Media, Meridian Park

Marie Hurtado, Counselor, Kellogg

Tracy Johnson, Math, Shorewood

Dana Knox, English, Shorewood

Rob Mann, Math, Shorecrest

Sarah McFarlane, Social Studies, Shorewood

Megan Nandi, fifth grade, Brookside

Christina Nelson, Special Education, Einstein

Toni Nyman, English, Shorecrest

Janet Paden, sixth grade, Brookside

Cathy Petersen, English, Kellogg

Donna Reynolds, Family & Consumer Science, Kellogg and Shorecrest

Pam Richards, Counselor, Shorewood



Shorecrest High School NBCTs from left: Rob Mann, Linda Cobb, Toni Nyman, Lisa Gastaldi and Donna Reynolds.

With this latest announcement, Shoreline now has a total of 56 board-certified teachers currently working in the District. Shoreline is one of 25 districts in the state with 50 or more NBCTs.

The national certification process takes a minimum of 18 months. Teachers must demonstrate in their four-part portfolio a deep understanding and application of the national standards that are in place for their field of teaching. A national panel of peers then assesses the portfolio. Teachers also take a six-part examination in their content area.

For more information, visit the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Web site at www.nbpts.org.



Shorewood High School NBCTs from left: Peggy Aguilar, Pam Richards, Dana Knox, Tracy Johnson and Sarah McFarlane.

Make-up days for snow closures

The two student days that were cancelled due to snow/inclement weather on Nov. 23 and 24 will be made up for students as follows:

- A full student day on Monday, May 9
 - A half student day on Monday, June 6
- Please adjust your calendars for these changes.

Any further cancellations will be made up beginning Monday, June 20 and beyond, as needed.

Nominations open for Shoreline Support Person of the Year

Please consider nominating a classified staff person to be 2010-11 Shoreline Schools Support Person of the Year. Nominations may be made by staff, students, parents, and other community members. Only a single letter of nomination is needed.

Nominations for Support Person of the Year are due in the Public Information Office at Shoreline Center by Friday, Jan. 28. The recipient will receive a grant from the Shoreline Public Schools Foundation and will be recognized at a reception prior to the March 7 School Board meeting. Support Staff Appreciation Week will take place March 7 to 11.

Nomination forms are available from the District Web site, www.shorelineschools.org/news/documents/10-11_SPOY_form.pdf. Contact the Public Information Office at 206-393-4412 if you have any questions about the form and process.

Superintendent's Message:

Thanks to our School Board members

Dear Shoreline Schools Community,

In the State of Washington and across the nation, January has been proclaimed as School Board Recognition Month in appreciation of the critical role our elected school boards play in their local schools and communities.

According to Gov. Chris Gregoire's proclamation, "school directors play a crucial role in promoting student learning and achievement by creating a vision, establishing policies and budgets, and setting clear standards of accountability for all involved."

The Shoreline School District is fortunate to have five exceptional board members who voluntarily give their time to fulfill this role. Please join me in thanking David Wilson, Maren Norton, Debi Ehrlichman, Mike Jacobs and Dick Potter for their service and commitment to the Shoreline educational community, along with our student representatives Jacqueline Blackmore of Shorecrest and Nathan Gibbons of Shorewood. Their actions and decisions affect the present and future lives of our children.

As one example of the leadership demonstrated by our Board, we are excited



to introduce the new Shoreline School District Accountability Report to our community.

In the development of the 2010-2011 Board/Superintendent/District Priorities, Board members asked our administrative team to create a District Accountability Report. This will allow our educational community to track the District's progress and changes over time.

As you will see, the information contained in this report reflects the excellence of our programs, while at the same time identifies areas of focus for the future. It will be updated with the most current student assessment results, district demographics and progress on other important initiatives. You can access the new District Accountability Report at www.shorelineschools.org/info/accountability.

Sincerely, 

Central Kitchen opening

The community is invited to tour the new Shoreline Schools Central Kitchen at the District warehouse in Hamlin Park (NE 160th and 15th NE) from 1 to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 29. The new food service facility will serve the entire District and replaces the existing ones at Shoreline Center and Shorecrest. The new kitchen facility was funded by the bond issue approved by District voters in 2006. It is expected to be operational in February.

Shoreline Schools Calendar

January

- 13** • Kindergarten classroom visitations, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- 17** • No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 18 to 21** • Early Release, grades ADK-6 for parent conferences
- 22** • Full Day of Shorecrest at Shorewood boys/girls basketball
- 24** • School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m., Shoreline Center
- 27** • First semester ends
- 28** • No School, Staff Work Day
- 29** • Kinderfest, 10 a.m. to noon, Shoreline Center
- 31** • Kindergarten registration begins for 2011-12 school year

February

- 7 and 14** • School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m., Shoreline Center
- 8** • Eastside Band Festival, 7:30 p.m., Shorecrest gym
- 15** • District Orchestra Festival, 7:30 p.m., Spartan Gym
- 17** • Westside Band Festival, 7:30 p.m., Shorewood gym
- 21 to 25** • No School, Mid-Winter Break

www.shorelineschools.org/calendar

Learn about kindergarten programs Jan. 29

Kinderfest is an opportunity for parents who will be enrolling their children in kindergarten to hear about the programs offered by the Shoreline School District. Kinderfest will be held Saturday, Jan. 29, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Shoreline Room at Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Ave. N.E.

Kindergarten registration for Shoreline School District residents with students starting kindergarten in the fall of 2011 will begin on Monday, Jan. 31 at all elementary schools. In order to attend kindergarten in the fall, a child must be five years old by Aug. 31, 2011.

For students living outside of the Shoreline School District, kindergarten registration will also begin Jan. 31. Registration and boundary request paperwork must be submitted to the Instruction Department of the Shoreline School District at Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Ave. N.E. The office is open between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., with extended hours for kindergarten registration until 6 p.m. on Jan. 31.

Shoreline elementary schools will be open to prospective families for kindergarten classroom visitations on Thursday, Jan. 13 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

For more information on kindergarten registration and Kinderfest, please call Cathy Allred, 206-393-4211.

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