



DID YOU KNOW

October 2022

Staff Spotlight



Three Trails Preschool Instructional Assistant, Dedra Sanders, submitted by Three Trails Principal Tara Baker.

Dedra has been an Instructional Assistant since 2021, and has

made such an impact with the Three Trails school community. Support at the young age of the Three Trails students is essential, and Dedra carries that throughout her work day every day. She goes above and beyond her duties, by actively playing with the students in centers, encouraging the students to do their best, and helping them understand routines. Dedra is an excellent role model in the classroom and is kind and respectful to everyone she meets. Truly an exemplary and irreplaceable employee.



Congratulations to Raytown South High School Science Teacher, Aidan Link, for being the recipient of the Knowles Teaching Fellowship – a nationally competitive fellowship.

The program accepts around 30 candidates for each cohort on a national level, Aidan being chosen as one of them for 2022. The fellowship is a five-year program that supports early-career teachers who lead from the classroom. Knowles Teaching Fellows have access to a comprehensive suite of benefits valued at more than \$150,000.

Student Spotlight



Rachel Hartwig, senior student at Herndon Career Center, submitted by instructor Mike Chrostowski.

Rachel is part of the Culinary Arts program at HCC. She is described

as more than the ideal student. She is dedicated to the process of perfecting her culinary skills, and never makes excuses for areas of improvement. As the team leader of the National Culinary Team, she has proven to be a leader and motivator to her peers, as well as a phenomenal, motivated chef. She is helping to lead the Cinder Restaurant pop-up events, with the first being held on Friday, October 14.



Alumni Hall of Fame

Raytown Quality Schools is pleased to announce its Alumni Hall of Fame Class for 2022-23.

The class includes six individuals who will join the ranks of other distinguished alumni during the November 4-5 Induction Weekend activities.

Inductees include Cindy Fee (Raytown High School Class of 1973), Barbara Hale Koirtyohann (Raytown High School Class of 1964), Ralph Monaco (Raytown High School Class of 1974), Kirt Mosier (Raytown High School Class of 1981), Kelly Ristedt (Raytown High School Class of 1981), and Dr. Andrew Wishy (Raytown South High School Class of 2000).

Caring For Kids Kick Off Event

Schools from around the district and community members recently kicked off another great year of the Caring for Kids partnerships. Over the past six years, RQS Caring for Kids community partners have completed more than 496 projects and donated more than \$148,277 in cash and in-kind donations.

Upcoming Dates

Oct. 21
No School

Oct. 27 & Oct. 28
No School



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