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LEARN HERE REAL HEROES

Business leaders across Clark County appreciate our quality educational system. It is the foundation of vibrant, healthy communities where people want to live and employers want to operate.

Each year we take a moment to thank volunteers and staff who go above and beyond to make our community such a great place to learn. We call them **Real Heroes**.



Each honoree is deserving of our appreciation because their efforts foster a supportive culture and inspire others, even though none seek recognition for what they do.



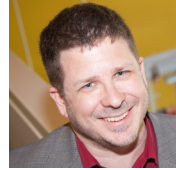
The extra commitment of staff and volunteers is why we have such a great educational system today. They are the ones who champion modern facilities, innovative programs, and a diverse range of student support programs that make it possible for each student to thrive.

Here are our 2021 Real Heroes. If you know them, say thanks.

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WSU VANCOUVER



MIKE CAULFIELD
Nationally recognized digital expert drives university to blended learning environments



JASMINE TOLBERT
Early campus experience propels role as advocate for racial equity and social justice

CLARK COLLEGE



MIKE SILVA
Long-time IT employee calmly leads at-home transition; 500 laptops deployed in 72 hours



KEITH KOPLAN
35-year director stimulated foundation giving to become a top-5 national program

WASHINGTON STATE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND



ADRIENNE FERNANDEZ
County native fosters robust recreational programs for those with visual challenges



KAITLIN DITTMAR
Writer exposes students to her passion while promoting activities that cultivate students' sense of adventure

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BATTLE GROUND



CATHY SHANNON
Former hospital RN led district's nursing team through COVID-19 pandemic



MONTY ANDERSON
Tapani CFO retired as school director where he made financing understandable



CAROL BRUCE
School nurse elevates focus to public health amid COVID-19 pandemic



ROBIN WEBSTER
Volunteer team advances equity through training and engagement

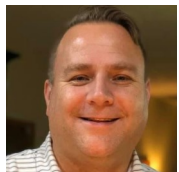


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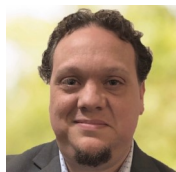


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EVERGREEN



SHANE GARDNER
Army veteran, former law enforcement professional ensures safe operations during COVID-19



JEFF ANGELO
Nonprofit director tirelessly promotes education access for all students



JESSICA AMBROSE
Compassionate middle school counselor helps students mentor other students



JUSTIN VANNATTA
Owner of iconic local market donates time, money, and merchandise



JOEL SHAW
Classic IT guy connects students with remote technology during COVID-19



WALTER HANSEN
Lifelong resident keeps alive family tradition of promoting school spirit

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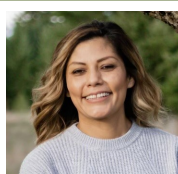
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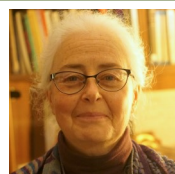
JIM BUCHAN
Steel company owner constructs stadium entrance in time for graduation ceremony



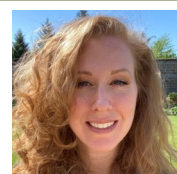
PEGGY HORNE
30-year teaching veteran's dedication, passion grows with time



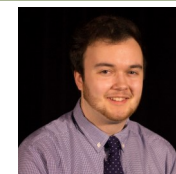
SOFIA AVILA
Multi-lingual professionals provide critical information to non-English students and families



EKATERINA WALLA
Multi-lingual professionals provide critical information to non-English students and families



FAWN MCKAY



SAM PETRIE
District alumnus volunteers to facilitate high school sports broadcasts

WASHOUGAL



SANDRA RENNER
Long-time school volunteer helps connect Spanish-speaking families to vital resources



KASEY MORALES
Marketing professional partners to design projects with real-world applications

*"Today a reader.
Tomorrow a leader."*

— Margaret Fuller



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