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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO: 1.3

BOARD MEETING DATE: Tuesday, April 12, 2016

OPENING ITEM: Outstanding Achievements

SUBMITTED BY: Margie Jones, Administrative Assistant

PRESENTED BY: Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent

I am pleased to highlight the following CFSD student achievements:

Science Olympiad State Champions

Our CFHS Science Olympiad team won the Arizona State Championship and will now advance to national competition. The team members are seniors - Sumhith Aradhyula, Isabel Burgess, Jack Burgess, Eric Liu, Liam Donovan, Noah Deetman, and Amy Liu; juniors - Bassil Ramadan, Meena Venkataramanan, Amanda Fordyce, Kara Thompson, Daniel Wieland, Deven Carmichael, George Jiang, Emma Potter; sophomore - Mark Cai; and freshman - Danilo Malo-Molina.

Southern Arizona Research, Science and Engineering Foundation (SARSEF)

Many CFSD students were award winners at this year's SARSEF science project competition. Note: Their coach/teacher's name is shown in parentheses.

Canyon View Elementary School

Julia Beskind, 4th grade, *Do dogs who receive anti-venom after a rattlesnake bite have a better chance of survival than those who don't?* (Jeaneen Ghori)

Priti Kari, 4th grade, *Pills vs. Shots* (Scott Suter)

Larissa Limesand, 4th grade, *How frequently do students have to clean school desks?* (Scott Suter)

Sahasarakshi Dasika and Harini Rajendran, 4th grade, *Wasting water in irrigation? No! No!* (Jeaneen Ghori)

Eden Bae, 5th grade, *Does age affect hearing?* (Josef Torres)

Kyle Cagno, 5th grade, *Science is such a drag*. (Josef Torres)
Scarlett Henderson, 5th grade, *Nails for breakfast* (Josef Torres)
Avery Turley, 5th grade, *Cookie Science* (Josef Torres)

Manzanita Elementary School

Grant Cohen, 5th grade, *SPF Incognito* (Jennifer DeBenedetti)
Logan Douglas, 5th grade, *Strike three you're out*. (Jennifer DeBenedetti)
Jack McNeilus, 5th grade, *Does temperature affect generators?* (Jennifer DeBenedetti)
Rohan Patel, 5th grade, *All sorrows are less with bread, unless the bread is moldy*. (Jennifer DeBenedetti)
Katie Weeks, 5th grade, *Sleep affecting test performance* (Jennifer DeBenedetti)

Orange Grove Middle School

Emmeline Close, 6th grade, *What Katniss Everdeen should know: At what angle does an arrow travel the farthest distance?* (Laird Close)

Sunrise Elementary School

Yash Chauhan, 2nd grade, *How to prevent an Arizona dust storm* (Hilary Woodhams)
Basil Wood, 2nd grade, *Rocketry: Travel to the Moon, Mars and Beyond* (Maura Baker)
Jack Borens, 3rd grade, *Oil Spills* (Jessica Coleman)
Vivianna Colson, 3rd grade, *Soccer Ball + Pressure = Distance???* (Brittany Eggert)
Caitlin Dessent and Maddy Hazzard, 3rd grade, *Do soccer ball sizes matter?* (Yu-Hsin Lien)
Grant Miller, 3rd grade, *Look, that dog is wearing shoes*. (Wren Tremaine)
Liliana Coppel, 5th grade, *Sleep and the Student* (Amy Nies)
Lily Gibney, 5th grade, *How the planet's mass affects gravitational orbit around the sun* (Teri DeFoor)

Ventana Vista Elementary School

Scarlett Bonomolo and Camille Garcia, kindergarten, *Does color affect which M & M melts the fastest?* (Maria Jimenez-Baca)
Sofia Garcia, kindergarten, *Water for the garden* (Rebecca Garcia)
Ezra Mandel, 1st grade, *A Sticky Situation – Which surface does a suction cup stick to the best?* (Leah Glashow-Mandel)
Ethan Bialis, 2nd grade, *The power of junk* (Maribel Miranda)

High School Vocal Music

The CFHS Change of Pace Choir earned a "Superior" rating at the Northern Arizona University Madrigal Festival. The choir also performed at the Arizona State Senate. Leah Seitz is the group's teacher.

Arizona All-Section Athletic Teams

These CFHS student athletes were voted to Arizona's All-Section Teams by the head coaches in the AIA statewide Coach's Poll: Girl's Basketball 1st Team All-Section -Kelsey Siemons, Junior; Boy's Basketball 1st Team All-Section - Sam Beskind, Sophomore, Jared Irwin, Junior, Nik Nehls, Senior; Boy's Basketball Honorable Mention - Aaron Ayres, Senior, Liam Giffin, Senior, Boy's Basketball 2nd Team All-Section - Spencer Lewis, Sophomore.

Boy's Basketball Head Coach, Doug D'amore, was voted Section Coach of the Year.

Speech and Debate

The CFHS Speech and Debate team won the 2nd place Team Sweepstakes trophy at the State Tournament. The team won 1st in Lincoln Douglas Debate with Gabe Cohon taking first place, and Josh Cohen taking second place. Meena Venkataramanan took 1st place in Poetry, and Max Quint took 1st place in Impromptu.

Odyssey of the Mind (OM)

Manzanita's Something Fishy Team won 2nd place at the state Odyssey of the Mind competition and now moves onto World Competition in May. The student members of the team are Jordan Andrews, Dillan Douglass, Logan Douglass, Keona Kuo, Brendan Miller, Asiana Sana, and Montana Wright. They are coached by Manzanita's music teacher, Jae Fagan.

Manzanita's Furs, Fins, Feathers, and Friends OM team placed third at state. Team members are Anabel Close, Anissa Madrid, Jake Toole, Katherine Willems, Johnny Yu, and Bethany Zashin. They are coached by a parent, Lisa Zashin.

Teacher Author

Sunrise Drive's 2nd grade teacher, Maura Baker, just published her third children's book, The Glue Monster. Ms. Baker's other two publications are Soul Witness and Lack of Attention.

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