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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO: 1.5

BOARD MEETING DATE: Tuesday, February 13, 2018

OPENING ITEM: Outstanding Achievements

SUBMITTED BY: Margie Jones, Administrative Assistant

PRESENTED BY: Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent

I am pleased to highlight the following CFSD student and staff achievements:

CFSD Spelling Bee Winners

We conducted our district spelling bee on January 18 with the following results: 1st Place - Ravindu Vithanachchi (Canyon View), 2nd Place - Stephen Henderson (Canyon View), 3rd Place - Nathan Kim (Manzanita). Other finalists representing their schools: Joshua Kim (Manzanita), Hannah Levin (Sunrise Drive), Naysa White (Sunrise Drive), Amanda Blava (Ventana Vista), Ariana DuPont (Ventana Vista), Taha Abdurrasheed (Esperero), and Gryphon Hanes (Esperero).

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Tennis

CFHS Coach Kristie Stevens was one of the recipients of the 2017 National Federation of State High School Association's (NFHS) national award for girls sports. A US coach from each of the twenty-three girls high school sports was named. Ms. Stevens was honored for tennis.

Pomline

On February 3, the CFHS Pomline competed at the Cheer for Charity competition in Phoenix. Falcon Pomline won in the Varsity Jazz Dance category. The Pomline members are Irma Almada, Molly Amado, Leyla Craven-Glenn, Alexa Dorf,

Alexis Feder, Audrey Ganem, Allyson Hadley, Rebecca Larson, Annalise Mendoza, Megan Mokhtarian, Kyle Myers, Sydney Myers, Kristin Nelson, Dylan Sadowsky, and Juliet Webster. Their coach is CFHS teacher, Miriam Frieden.

DECA

The CFHS DECA students earned several awards at the Southern Arizona District Competition and will be moving onto State Competition. The following students placed first in their category (Entrepreneurship series, Marketing Communication, Principles of Finance series, and Sports and Entertainment Marketing): Miriam Arden, Maria Gorbunova, Gabriela Grodski, and Shivansh Srivastava. These are the students who placed second in their category (Business Services Management, Principles of Finance series, Quick Service Management series, Travel and Tourism event): Samantha Dickson, Brittany Hum, Ashley Lamb, Kira Ogola, and Izabella Ortiz. The following students placed third in their category (Buying and Merchandising, Sports and Entertainment Marketing): Emiliano Flores, Creston King, Sam Mulay, and Ishan Shah. Their Teacher Coach is Jason Reinhardt.

FIRST Lego League (FLL)

Two of our FLL teams brought home awards from the state championship held on January 14 at Arizona State University. The *Snow Brainers* earned third place for the Champions Award (best all-around team). Team members are Geronimo Barela (EC), Nicole Benito (CFHS), Ethan Blakely (OG), Danil Clayton (OG), Bhargav Ghosh (EC), Zak Gruber (OG), James Kickham (EC), Josh Tint (CFHS), and Noah Wellman (OG). The *H2Flow* won the Teamwork Award. Team members are Sa'id Badereen (OG), Connor Bates (OG), Braden Canter-Goldner (EC), Sam Moreno (OG), Luke Sadalla (OG), Spencer Schiller (OG), Bridgett Walters (OG), and Lily Wood (EC). Their coaches are Charlotte Ackerman and Jennifer DeBenedetti, Elementary Teacher Leaders of Science and Engineering Practices.

Canyon View

Two Canyon View fifth grade students, Zachary Pittner and Ella Wiegand, won the Arizona General Music Teachers Composition Festival in the Elementary K-6 grade category. Their piece is entitled "Carnival Nights" written for piano and flute. Their music teacher is Patricia Moore.

Sunrise Drive (SD)

Orly Liu, a SD fourth grade student, played “Variations on a Theme of Paganini” as a guest solo pianist at the Civic Orchestra of Tucson on Tuesday, February 6.