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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO: 1.4

BOARD MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 13, 2022

OPENING ITEM: Outstanding Achievements

SUBMITTED BY: Suzanne Gould, Administrative Assistant

PRESENTED BY: Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent

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

New Teacher Induction Program

Congratulations to our teachers who completed CFSD's *Great Beginnings: Systems for Success* induction program in June 2022. For 2-3 years, teachers who were new to CFSD participated in a variety of experiences to expand their teaching repertoire and develop their skills on the job. They participated in New Teacher Orientation, learned from colleagues at their sites, participated in instructional coaching, and collaborated with colleagues in seminars and Summer Institutes on instructional practices and differentiated instruction. We appreciate the commitment of our teachers to make a difference in the lives of our students every day.

Pre-K and Elementary Anna Ames Wendy Baldwin Ryan Bowman Audrey Carlson Siyi Chen Cindy Gallego Rebecca Garcia Tara Mulay Christina O'Brien Melissa Prokop

Sydney Sellinger **Crystal Thompson** Middle School Sarah Deane Jennifer Eschedor Auston Pisani Daniel Schrimpf **High School** Jessica Altenburg Daniel Altenburg Wendy Armstrong Michael Bryan Mark Cook Jeffrey Evans **Rachel Lindsay** Tony Marinaccio

Guitar Scholarship Winner

Dante Olita '21 was the recipient of the Stuart Weber Scholarship for his study of guitar. Each year, the American guitarist and composer Stuart Weber offers a full scholarship to one USA resident guitar student.

Guitar teacher Alex Meredith said, "Dante started with me as a freshman when I started the guitar program at Catalina Foothills. He is truly a kind, thoughtful, and compassionate soul. I was so fortunate to have such an incredible young man as a student for my first 4 years of teaching. He is now soaring and got to spend the summer in Italy on a full scholarship with the Volterra Project."

Dante's beautiful performance of Etude No. 8 can be viewed on the homepage of the CFSD website, <u>www.cfsd.org</u>.

Financial Reporting

Congratulations to Director of Finance Lisa Taetle and the entire business services staff of the district. Once again, the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded to CFSD its Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for our annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

Recommended Motion: Information Item