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**TOPPENISH PRESCHOOL AND ECEAP**

**We are Diving into Preschool**



**Three-year-old Increase Enrollment and Facilities Grant**

We are pleased to announce that the Toppenish Preschool added two additional classrooms to serve 36 more three-year-olds students. We are now serving a total of 108 three-year-old students.

We also received the School District Early Learning Facilities Grant. With this grant we hope to remodel two of the classrooms for three-year-old students which would include a bathroom inside each classroom. Our plan is to apply for additional grants each year in hopes of remodeling our entire Preschool building.

**Preschool Renaissance Rally**



The Preschool had their first of three Renaissance Rallies on October 18th. We had **171** students who received T-shirts for meeting End of the Year Benchmark in Reading, Writing or Math. A special thank you to John Miller from Horace Mann Insurance in Sunnyside for sponsoring the T-shirts for our students.

- Toppenish Preschool and ECEAP have been very busy learning the SAM rules: **S**olve problems, **A**lways show respect, and **M**ake good decisions.
- Our goal this school year is to have every child know and follow the **SAM** rules.



# A Message from our Health Services Department

The flu is a serious contagious disease that can lead to hospitalization and even death. You have the power to protect yourself and your family this season with these three actions to fight the flu.

- Get a flu vaccine. Everyone, 6 months of age and older, should get a flu vaccine by the end of October, if possible. A yearly flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against the flu. As long as the flu viruses are circulating, it is not too late to get vaccinated!
- Take everyday precautions to stop the spread of germs. Wash your hands often with soap and water, cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you become sick, limit your contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- Take flu antiviral medication if your doctor prescribes them. If you get the flu, antiviral medicine can be used to treat flu illness. Antiviral medicine can make the illness milder and shorten the time you are sick. They may also prevent serious flu complications.



## ANNUAL TSI FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

The annual TSI Flag Football Tournament was played on October 29, 2019 for grades 4th and 5th and after all the battles were completed the Garfield Cougars were crowned champions. The championship game was a hotly contested battle that went into overtime with the Cougars defeating the Lincoln Lions for the Championship.

On October 30, 2019 the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades battled for the championship. After all the games were complete the Kirkwood Wildcats came out on top defeating the Valley View Lyncs for the Championship.



Congratulations to all teams for an excellent Flag Football season.

## MEDALS AWARDED FOR FOOTBALL SKILLS COMPETITION

### 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

#### BOYS

- 1<sup>ST</sup> Isaiah Solorio - Garfield
- 2<sup>ND</sup> Damien Pinon - Valley View
- 3<sup>RD</sup> Mykah Ramirez - Kirkwood

#### GIRLS

- Briana Soto - Garfield
- Zulema Renteria-Regis - Garfield
- Sienna Larios - Lincoln

### 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### BOYS

- 1<sup>ST</sup> Tua Nason - Lincoln
- 2<sup>ND</sup> Santana Cerna - Valley View
- 3<sup>RD</sup> Giovanni Gaspar - Valley View

#### GIRLS

- Analia Pulido - Garfield
- Dulce Cruz - Garfield
- Monserrat Renteria-Regis - Garfield

## Scholarship Recipients from Central Washington Art Day



Laura Wise's art students Gerardo Rodriguez and Isaias Ramirez earned scholarships from the 2019 Central Washington Art Day in Ellensburg.

- Gerardo Rodriguez - \$500 scholarship (first Junior to win a scholarship in Ms. Wise's class)
- Isaias Ramirez - \$1000 scholarship

## Students & Employees of the Month



**Rick Barber**  
Classified Employee  
Transportation Department



**Crystal Gil**  
Student of the Month  
Kirkwood Elementary



**Jesus Padilla**  
Student of the Month  
Toppenish High School



**Virginia Zavala, Rebecca Calderon, & Graciela Gonzales**  
Professional Learning Community of the Month  
2nd Team, Garfield Elementary



# Upcoming Events

- December 6**      Preschool Winter Program
- December 9**      MCT: The Snow Queen, Auditions, 4:00pm  
Toppenish High School Cafeteria
- December 10**     Garfield Winter Program 9:00am & 1:30pm
- December 10**     Kirkwood PTO, 5pm
- December 12**     Lincoln Winter Program 9:30am & 1:30pm
- December 13**     Toppenish High School Winter Carnival.  
5:00pm-7:00pm, AJ Strom Gym
- December 14**     MCT: The Snow Queen Performance,  
3:00pm & 5:30pm, THS PAC
- December 17**     Toppenish Middle School Grade Patrol
- December 17**     Winter Choir Concert 6:00pm  
at Toppenish High School
- December 17**     Regular School Board Meeting, 7:00pm
- December 18**     Valley View Santa Pictures

- December 19**     PAC Winter Band Concert 6:00pm at  
Toppenish High School, PAC
- December 19**     Valley View Christmas Program, Kirkwood  
Winter Program 1:00pm 3:00pm, Preschool  
Art Family Night 5:30pm 6:30pm,  
Toppenish Middle School PTO 5:30pm
- December 20**     No School for Preschool  
Early Release  
Toppenish High School Talent Show,  
10:00am, Gym
- December 23 to January 3**   No School, Holiday Break

**School Board Meeting**  
**December 17 7:00pm**  
 Toppenish School District  
 306 Bolin Drive  
 Toppenish, WA  
 (509) 865 4455

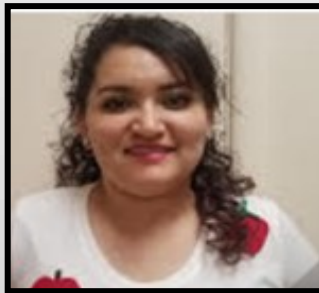
**Board of Directors**

- Clara R. Jimenez**    President
- Richard Lommers**   Vice President
- Maryrose Gonzalez** Board Director
- Gonzalo Macias**    Board Director
- Rebecca S. Perez**   Board Director
- John M. Cerna**     Superintendent

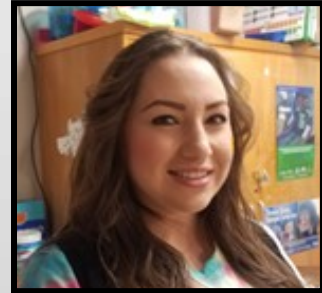
## Meet our New Preschool Staff Members



**Samantha Kenison**  
Inclusion Teacher



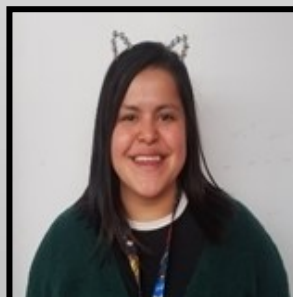
**Rosa Carrillo**  
Preschool Teacher



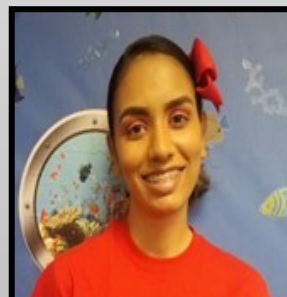
**Irene Ceja**  
Preschool Teacher



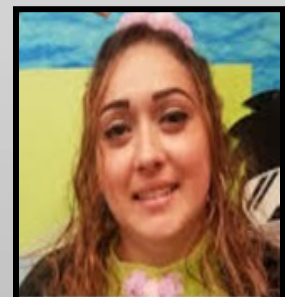
**Jose Sanchez Salas**  
Paraprofessional



**Jacqueline Cornejo**  
Paraprofessional



**Stacie Arambula**  
Paraprofessional



**Yesenia Valencia**  
Paraprofessional

# MCT The Snow Queen

**Auditions Grades K-12**  
December 9 @ 4 pm  
THS Cafeteria

**Rehearsals**  
December 10-13  
4:00 - 8:30 PM  
Toppenish High School

**FREE Performance**  
Saturday, December 14  
3:00 pm and 5:30 pm  
THS PAC

**Questions Call**  
Danelia Arellano at  
865-8146



## Successful Blood Drive

Congratulations students, staff and community members. The FFA/American Red Cross Blood drive was another rousing success due to your generous giving! We were able to successfully collect forty-one whole blood and 3 double red donations for a total of 44 units. Your willingness to participate will directly benefit members of the Toppenish community!

Thanks again to everyone involved and we will see you all in the spring!

Ray, Ron, Cliff, James and Damon



## 2019 Toppenish FFA "Ranch Party"

Congratulations to the 2019 Toppenish "Ranch Party" award winners. Krista Rowland was recognized for her contributions to the educational community as Educator of the Year, and Isaac Perez and Stephanie Quinones, were selected as the Boy and Girl of the year! This was the 99<sup>th</sup> award ceremony to celebrate the local community. The Toppenish chapter of Future Farmers of America (FFA), was chartered in 1938 and has been serving as the set up, clean up and wait staff for the past eighty one consecutive years. This is a tradition of community service that has stood the test of time! Go Wildcats!



## 2019 Toppenish High School 'Murph' Challenge

'Murph' is not simply another workout we do in class to increase our fitness before moving on to whatever else we have going on in the day. It is a workout, done on Veteran's Day, designed to honor and remember the men and women of the armed forces that have lost their lives in defense of our freedom. And as is the case with every Hero workout, it has a story of courage and sacrifice behind it. A story and understanding that each student learns before they accept the challenge.

'Murph' is named after Navy Lieutenant Michael Murphy, a 29-year old SEAL, who was killed in action in Afghanistan in 2005. After graduating from Penn State University in 1998, Murphy rejected offers to attend law school and instead accepted a commission in the United States Navy and became a SEAL in July 2002. On June 28, 2005, during an attack - Murphy was shot in the back trying to make a call for reinforcements. The actions and story of the SEALs are portrayed in the film 'Lone Survivor'.

The HERO workouts are symbolic gestures of respect for all the fallen soldiers and servicemen and women who defend our freedom. The Wildcat Nation students and staff, in their actions, honor the values, bravery, self-sacrifice, and spirit of true heroism through courage - by pushing themselves to the limit in these (intentionally) brutal workouts. It is a way to remember these men and women— to ensure that they are never forgotten.

### The Murph (also known as the Body Armour)

- ⇒ Wear a 20 pound vest or body armour
- ⇒ 1-mile run
- ⇒ 100 pull-ups
- ⇒ 200 push-ups
- ⇒ 300 squats
- ⇒ 1 - mile run

