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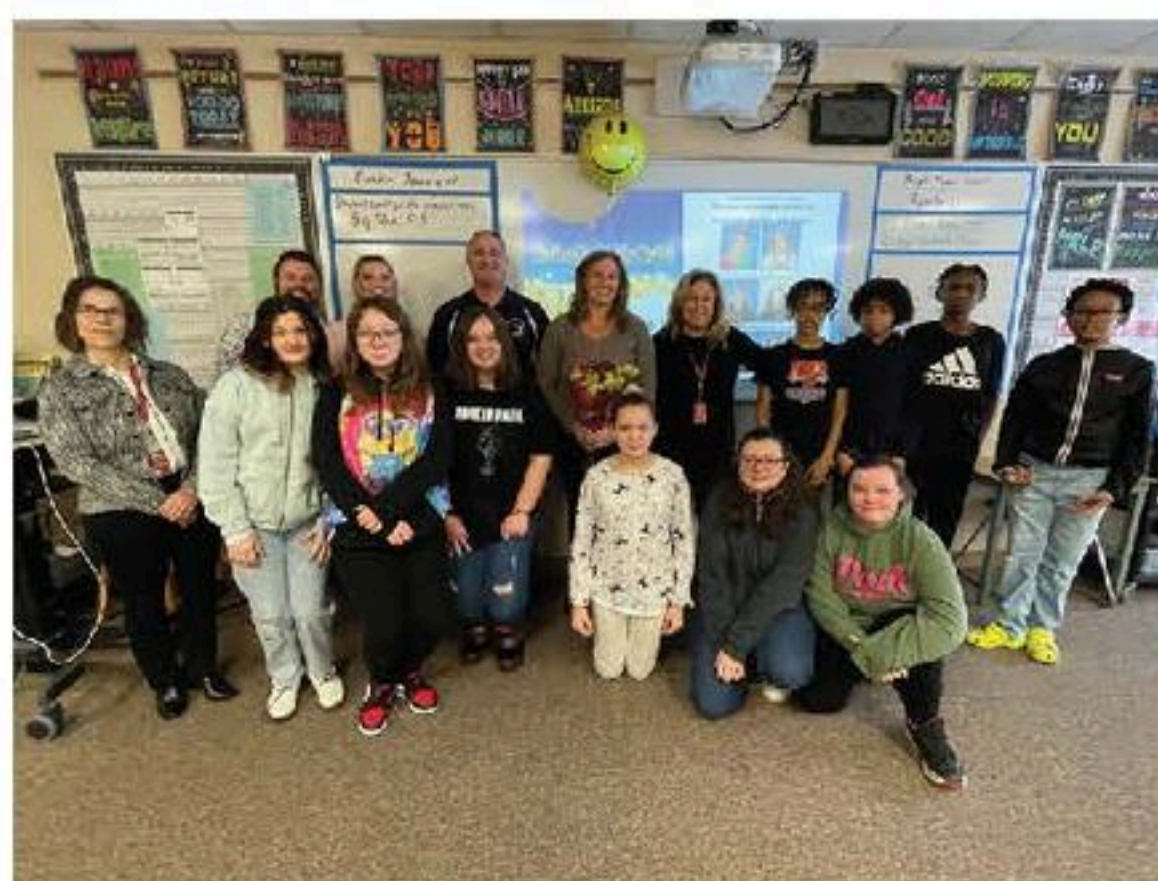
A MONTHLY DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

TODAY'S LEARNERS, TOMORROW'S LEADERS

THREE CANDIDATES RECOGNIZED BY PEERS



MACINTOSH, LOGAN, BECKER
NAMED HAZEL PARK SCHOOLS
TEACHERS OF THE YEAR



Amy MacIntosh

Mrs. MacIntosh has spent her entire teaching career at Hazel Park Schools.

She spent her first two years teaching English at the Junior High before coming to the High School to teach English/Yearbook/Newspaper for all grade levels.

"Mrs. MacIntosh is professional, kind, compassionate, and respectful in all of her interactions with students, families, colleagues, and community members both in writing and verbal interactions," one of her peers said. "She's the voice of reason that many turn to for advice and guidance."

MacIntosh is also a mentor to new staff.

"Mrs. MacIntosh has been rated a highly effective teacher by multiple administrators and continues to improve her teaching practice regularly," another peer said. "She is proactive in her approach and is a problem solver."

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INSPIRE AND EMPOWER ALL LEARNERS

Barbara Logan

Ms. Logan has spent 29 years teaching at Hazel Park Schools, beginning her career as a sub in 1993. "Ms. Logan has high expectations for her students and supports them 100% of the time so they can reach those expectations," a peer wrote. "She continuously looks for ways to keep the curriculum engaging and relevant for students. Ms. Logan is approachable and easygoing while still being consistent and organized. She has a great rapport with students that is built on trust and respect. She values getting to know the students as individuals, accentuating their strengths, and building up their confidence. She creates a community within her classroom and holds everyone responsible for keeping it positive."

Ms. Logan is currently teaching Math at Hazel Park Junior High.

"Ms. Logan has consistently volunteered to mentor new staff and can often be found helping others as well," another peer wrote. "She goes out of her way to make things easier for everyone. She looks for ways to simplify and clarify tasks and communication. She is valued and respected among her peers. She is always willing to help and has a smile on her face while doing so. She is a great mentor, role model, and colleague. Her positive attitude, ability to lead, and willingness to be a team player make her a huge asset on the HPJH team."

Alicia Becker

Mrs. Becker has been with Hazel Park Schools since 2008.

"In all of the years I have worked with her, she always has a positive attitude, no matter what obstacle she has faced," a peer wrote. "She genuinely wants the best for her students and families. She goes above and beyond to support the Hoover Elementary community as a whole."

Mrs. Becker, who graduated from Hazel Park in 2000, suggested a new pilot program for teaching MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports). Rather than having students pulled out for MTSS for a very short amount of time, she proposed having an MTSS teacher as a homeroom teacher so they could wrap interventions into everything that the students were doing. This way they will get three times as much intervention in one classroom than they would previously.

"Mrs. Becker has the genuine desire to improve the lives of all Hazel Park Schools students," another peer wrote. "She has an incredible passion for teaching. She's creative, kind, fun, and dedicated."

"She will pull out all of the stops to engage her students," this peer continued. "She finds the perfect balance of fun and work for her students so they really enjoy learning. She does what she does because she loves teaching children. She's not in it for the accolades. She's the kind of teacher every parent wants their child to have. Hazel Park Schools is lucky to have her."



*MAC Gold
Division
Tournament
Team Champs*



Our Boys Bowling team won all five total pin count Baker games to finish first with a total pin count of 1,883. Fitzgerald (1,650) was second. Our Girls Bowling team won all five total pin count Baker games to finish first with a total pin count of 1,527. Clintondale (1,309) was second.

HAZEL PARK PROMISE ZONE 10TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER

The Hazel Park Promise Zone's annual fundraising dinner will take place on Monday, March 6, 2023, from 5:30 to 8:00 pm.

Tickets are \$75 per person.

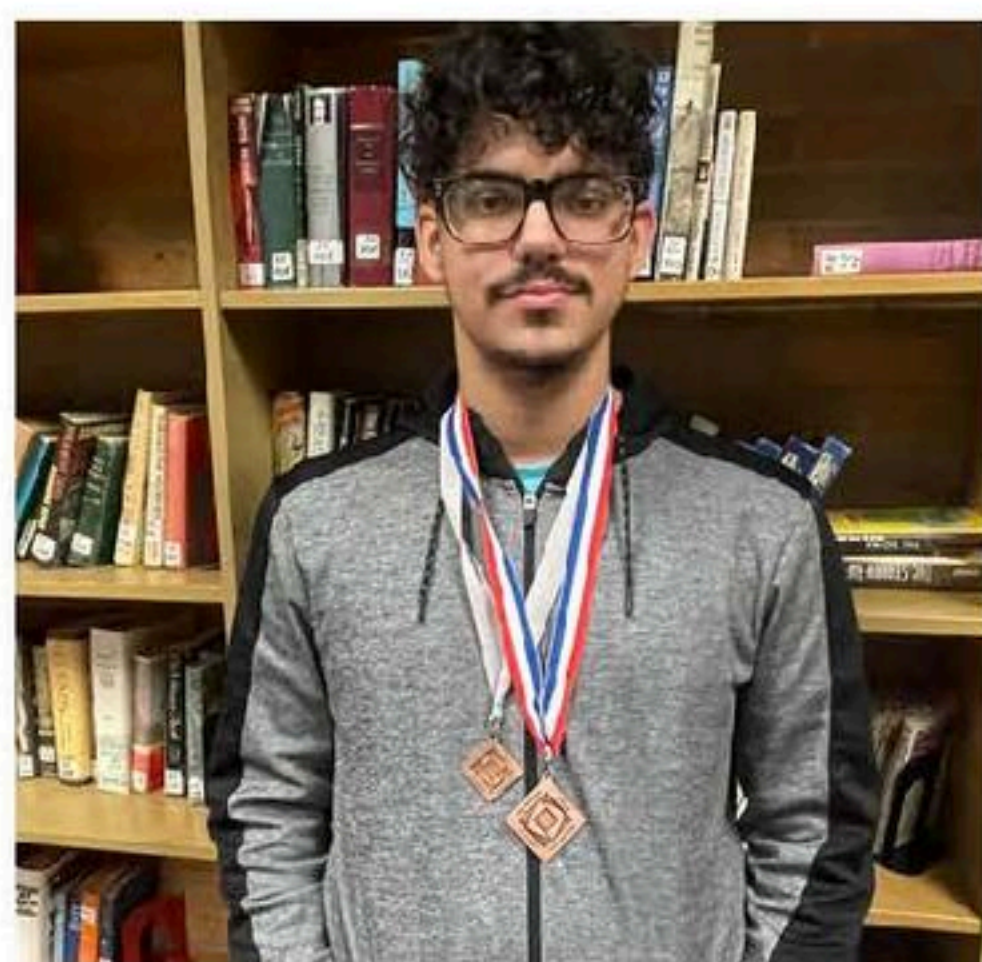
Proceeds from this dinner event will benefit the Hazel Park Promise scholarship program, which guarantees a tuition-free path to an associate's degree (or its equivalent) at Oakland Community College for graduates of Hazel Park Schools who reside in the school district.

Proceeds will also go to programs that help support students to and through college.

The emcee for this year's event will be State Representative Mike McFall and Congresswoman Haley Stevens will be our keynote speaker.

There will also be some fabulous items up for auction during the event as well. Cash and card will be accepted.

For more information, please call Moussa Traore at 248-658-5080 or e-mail moussa.traore@myhpsd.org.



Brandon Anderson earned a Silver Medallion for his role play and a Red, White and Blue Medallion in his overall event score earning him a spot in the State Career Development Conference in March 2023.



January is School Board Recognition Month, and Hazel Park Schools is celebrating its trustees for their dedication and commitment to our students. Board members serving HPS are President Rick Nagy, Vice President Melissa Baldwin, Secretary Dawn Rice, Treasurer Monica Rattee, and Trustees Heidi Fortress, Beverly Hinton, and Debbie Laframboise.