



Building the road to success

## Important dates to note

Welcome to the Woodland Park School District e-Newsletter, which will be sent out weekly when school is in session. This will serve as a glimpse of some of the wonderful things going on in our schools and with our students, as well as a point of reference for upcoming events.

Friday, Dec. 21 - Early Dismissal Day - 12:48, Memorial and BG; 1:28, CO

Your Partner in Education,  
Michele R. Pillari, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

Dec. 24 - Jan 1, 2019 -  
Winter Break - School Reopens  
Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019

## Sending Well Wishes

Beatrice Gilmore students and staff members created over 200 holiday greeting cards for the “Cards for Hospitalized Kids” program again this year. Cards for Hospitalized Kids sends cards to children spending the holidays in a hospital. The cards are sent to cheer up the sick children during this hard time in their lives and help them cope. BG teachers incorporated the reading of books that spread the message of doing something good for others, big or small, with the writing activity. The colorful creations were addressed to “Dear Friend” and signed “A Third/Fourth Grader.” They include messages such as “Happy Holidays! Feel better soon!,” “Wishing you a happy new year! Keep your head up!,” and “Enjoy your holiday season. Stay strong!”



## Saluting Service

The Board of Education on Monday night saluted two outgoing members who are finishing up their terms - Jo-Anne Mitchell, who has served for 10 years, and Maria Flynn, who has served for 6 years. Their fellow board members, Superintendent Dr. Michele Pillari, as well as current teachers and representatives of the Woodland Park Education Association spoke during the meeting, lauding both board members for their dedication to the students of town.





## Library salutes its youth volunteers and educational partners

The Alfred H. Baumann Free Public Library held its annual appreciation night on Dec. 13 to honor its resident, community, business, program and school partners. The library Board of Trustees and staff would send thanks to everyone who contributes their time and talents to the library.

Youth honorees included:

**Program Partners:** "Mr. Woodland Park" Anthony Billson

**Teen Volunteers:** Lina Abdelfattah, Hassan Chaabane, Ahmad Chaabane, Jaidyn Dillon, Alexander Ferenc, Maria Flores, Othman Haddouche, Hatem Haddouche, Zeth Lambertus, Alberto Leon, Stephanie Martinez, Rana Mikhail, Chelsea Nakhleh, Jaylene Nogueira, Alexander Perez, Christopher Perez, William Phillips, Ludovico Povolo, Vanessa Ruiz, Jerry Sevillano, Joseph Sheridan, Malavika Singh, Nicholas Tecza, Sabrina Vapore, Luca Vapore and Brianna Velez

**Teen Tutors:** Lindsay Amendola, Anthony Ceceres, Christina Folan, Doha Hamouda, Stephanie Martinez, Michaela Raguseo, Jerry Sevillano and Joseph Valencia

**Junior Ambassadors:** Anthony Billson, Demaris Cruz, Lucas Del Vecchio, Tanisha Gomez, Alex Limone, Daniella Mencia, Patrick Puzio, Brian Roehrich, Marios Rotsides and Erin Ryan

**Library Beautification Partners:** Girl Scout Troop #411: Dr. Mark Salemi and Ann Salemi, Troop Leaders, Brianna Getzoff, Shea Lulla, Sarah Mitchell, Lauren Russo; and Girl Scout Troop #96362: Trish Ryan, Troop Leader, Chloe Bergrin, Elizabeth Bolen, Zoe Castro, Reina Castro, Alissa Gencarelli, Arianna Mastrangeli, Gracyn Roehrich, Erin Ryan, Katie Ryan and Sania Shah

**Hometown Heroes:** Jayden Perez and Ana Rosado

**Family of the Year:** Roehrich Family

**Junior Patron of the Year:** Yadel Colon-Luciano

**Teen Patron of the Year:** Othman Haddouche