

January 2024 Core Value: Passion

School	Student Name	Why they were nominated
Cedar Wood	Myles Randall	Myles has shown a great passion for learning, especially in social studies. He actively participates and wants to discuss ways we can make our world a better place. We are glad to see this trait in him.
Emerson	Yaretzy Figueroa-Cruz	Yaretzy quietly and consistently demonstrates exceptional qualities that embody the spirit of this award. Her commitment to excellence is evident in everything she does. Whether it is academic pursuits, extracurricular activities or assisting her peers, she approaches each task with unwavering dedication. Her hard work and huge heart serve as an inspiration to students, teachers and staff at Emerson.
Forest View	Nathan Hopkins	Nathan shows passion by having a positive, curious approach to learning. He brings a good sense of humor as well as a cooperative approach to his studies. He is an eager participant in our discussions, both as a speaker and listener.
Garfield	Ellis Lorio	Ellis is passionate about everything he does. Whether it is his schoolwork or being a student leader, Ellis gives all his effort to the task at hand and to support others around him. He represents the passion we hope to instill in every student at Garfield.
Hawthorne	Avery Sopluw	Avery is at school each day ready to learn and do her best! We are proud of you. Keep learning and growing.
Jackson	Hazel Skarr	Hazel has a passion for learning, she is always willing to participate and adds great ideas to all conversations and truly learns from her mistakes. She shows excitement and enthusiasm for all assignments and subjects.
Jefferson	Harper Edelbrock	Harper is full of enthusiasm and excitement, and she is passionately expressive. She is a glowing individual and full of life!
Lowell	Sofia Paulk	Sofia is a wonderful Lowell Leopard. She has passion for making sure everyone feels welcomed in all school settings. Plus, she has a passion for learning and is always engaged in class.
Madison	Jacklynn Truong	Jacklynn demonstrates the Core Value of passion, and we are very excited to recognize her. Keep up the good work!

Mill Creek	Obrey Hobbs	Obrey is eager to learn and excited about all subject areas. His enthusiasm is contagious and gets other students excited about subjects. He works hard in class. He has a passion for learning and isn't afraid to make mistakes in the process. He knows that mistakes are a part of the process, and he likes a challenge because he knows that leads to more growth.
Monroe	Brynn Becraft	Brynn is passionate about her work. She works hard to always show her best efforts. She takes pride in everything she does.
Penny Creek	Andrew Chandler	Andrew exudes passion. He has a zest for life and always brings energy and enthusiasm to everything he does. He always has a smile and tries his hardest. Andrew demonstrates passion for learning across the content areas.
Port Gardner K-12	Claire Madar	Claire is highly passionate about learning. In class, she invests herself in our learning activities and can't wait to share her ideas and strategies with her peers. She is an AR superstar who reads extensively. She challenges herself on iReady in both Math and Reading with a strong desire to learn as much as she can! She inspires other students, and I appreciate the enthusiasm she brings to our classroom environment.
Silver Firs	Susannah Tremper	Susannah is passionate about learning and contributes to our group discussions positively. She goes above and beyond in writing with adding more details and expanding her ideas. She comes to school with a smile on her face and is eager to learn each day! She helps others and is willing to volunteer to help in any way possible in the classroom.
Silver Lake	Mayah Wittman	Mayah demonstrates the Core Value of passion. She consistently exemplifies passion in her artwork and in other areas of self-expression.
Tambark Creek	Phillip Griffin	Phillip is very passionate about topics that excite him. He is always doing his best to learn more and share information about these topics. His joy and excitement are contagious, it's so fun being able to listen and watch him learn about his passions! We admire his desire and ability to follow his dreams at such a young age. Keep up the great work, Phillip!
View Ridge	Za'kyah King	Za'kyah has taken responsibility of her learning by asking for help at home to practice extra skills, such

		as writing her name, reading and practicing math facts. She has made incredible progress and often tells her teacher what she worked on with her mom the night before. We are proud of her and impressed by her positive attitude as well as her perseverance to attain her goals.
Whittier	Fernando Carmona Sanabria	Fernando has passion and has the most positive attitude and helps others. He is always growing his brain even when things are hard and making sure everyone's hearts are feeling good. He always has a smile on his face, cheers people on and tells them what they shine at. His passion for positivity makes our classroom and school such a wonderful place to learn.
Woodside	Ethan John	Ethan is eager to learn and share what he knows in every subject. He enthusiastically dives into lessons and is willing to help out with other projects that benefit the classroom.
Eisenhower	Solyna Mom	Lyna is passionate about art and creative expression. She comes to class every day with a big smile and lots of energy that she puts into her work. She works hard every day to produce something unique, interesting and undeniably hers.
Evergreen	Brienne Quiroz Schug	Brienne is a passionate student who is focused on her academic excellence. She is taking many advanced classes and is currently in three different orchestras. She is passionate about her future and doing the hard work to achieve her dreams.
Gateway	Tori Hopkins	Tori goes all-in on whatever she does! Whether in the classroom, in athletics or in music, she strives to be the best!
Heatherwood	Noah Blume	Noah is an incredibly hard-working and kind student. He recently joined our Heatherwood community this year and is already standing out amongst his peers for his contributions to school. He is friendly to all students and ensures everyone feels involved and seen.
North	Ahmed Alamin	Ahmed has a genuine passion for each day, is joyful, polite in greetings and has an intense love of soccer. His story is a powerful one and fuels his gratitude and generosity each and every day.
Cascade	Joshua Iraola-Cortes	Joshua is a consistent presence on Cascade's campus, always leading with a positive and welcoming

		presence, and finding ways to champion and bring passion to the work of making Cascade a warm and inviting school. While he is a passionate leader in service of other students, he is also a clearly invested scholar, always looking for ways to extend learning in a multitude of subject areas, both for himself and for his peers.
Everett	Avery Thompson	Avery is the epitome of passion – for his classmates, for his school and for his community. At any school event, you can always find him in the front row, leading the student body and cheering both loudly and enthusiastically. He is a pillar of leadership, which can be seen in his role as ASB president, captaining two different sports teams, Drama productions or taking the lead in charitable fundraisers and various school/community events. We are very proud of how Avery represents both his school and community and is truly a leader by example through the passion he displays every day for the blue and gold of EHS.
Jackson High	Nathan Gibson	Nathan is a student who embodies passion through his work with Theatre Society. He possesses a lot of talent for performing. But people who are talented are not always a pleasure to work with. They sometimes believe they don't need to work hard or carry themselves in a way that lets you know that they think highly of themselves in relation to others. Nathan is an extremely hard worker. He gives everything you ask of him and more. Not only this, but he is also a leader who supports and uplifts his classmates because he wants everyone to shine brightly in a production that belongs to all of us.
Sequoia	Kalie Mulima	Kalie is a passionate person, in general. Loves to talk to people. Wants to be an elementary teacher. She is Ugandan and is very passionate about being Ugandan. Her family owns and runs a school in Uganda.
Sequoia GOAL program	Cody Gelo	Cody has a great attitude and is always willing to help. Even before he was a kitchen intern, he would volunteer to wash cafeteria tables. He works well with our other kitchen volunteer, and he can sing all the lyrics to any Johnny Cash song!