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**Everett Schools earn big with Safeway program*****Three schools earn over \$10,000 from Safeway's 10% Back to Schools Program***

Two of Everett's middle schools and one district elementary school are among the nation's top 200 earning groups in the recent Safeway 10% Back to Schools Program. Because each school ranks among the top 200, Safeway is contributing an additional \$1,000 to Evergreen Middle School, View Ridge Elementary and North Middle School for a grand total of over \$10,000 in total contributions.

"North Middle School is fortunate to have a wonderful community supporter in the Safeway Corporation and specifically the 19<sup>th</sup> and Broadway Safeway. The staff at our Safeway is amazingly supportive and great at informing customers about the program. Each year our PTA uses the funds to support students at North in various academic and extracurricular areas. Over the last several years, this has included partially supporting the cost of transportation for all our eighth-grade students to visit the capitol, a new sound system for our cafeteria, new library books and Math Night and Literacy Night. We are lucky to have Safeway as a partner," said North Middle School Principal Kelly Shepherd.