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To: All Principals From: Joyce Stewart

Regarding: Snohomish County Children's Commission We Value Kids Award

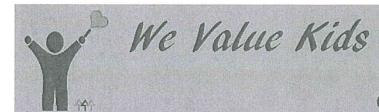
Please distribute the attached flyer and nomination form from the Snohomish County Children's Commission to your staff to nominate a student for the *We Value Kids Award*.

To complete the nomination staff can simply use the attached form and email it to Kristen.Anderson@snoco.org or Karen.OMearaPullen@snoco.org. Staff can also visit the Snohomish County Children's Commission webpage and Search *We Value Kids Awards*

Nominations must be submitted no later than Friday, March 30, 2018.

Approved for Distribution:

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Snohomish County Children's Commission

Do you know a young person who has made an extraordinary mark on their school or community through kindness, courage or leadership in the last 12 months? Has that individual shown extraordinary strength and tenacity in those areas despite particular challenges or adversity in their own lives? Please nominate them for a **We Value Kids Award!** Nominees must be in grades K – 12 and demonstrate the following:

- \circ For grades K 3: "We Value Kindness in Kids." Children who are consistently kind to others, who go out of their way to include children beyond their own group and who are regularly thoughtful and generous with their time and toys.
- o <u>For grades 4 8</u>: "We Value Courage in Kids." Young people who regularly "do the right thing," who are brave in standing up for their beliefs and for one another and who even take a lonely stand on an issue or in an uncomfortable situation.
- o <u>For grades 9 12</u>: "**We Value Leadership in Kids."** Teenagers who have developed (or are developing) strong traits of genuine leadership. This award will recognize teens who, for instance, have initiated a group or program, who have set a positive example for other young people and who have collaborated in working for social change or improvement of local (or global) situations.
- o <u>For adult</u>: "**We Value Those Who Value Kids."** This award acknowledges and celebrates adults in our community who consistently speak out on behalf of kids, who advocate for kids who need such advocacy sometimes even at sacrifice of their own time and personal resources.

We have expanded the criteria this year to recognize and celebrate those young people especially who have been able to persevere (in their kindness, courage and leadership) in challenging life circumstances or daily life This persistence, endurance and stick-to-itiveness is important for all children and in all situations, of course, but especially to kids who are from marginalized groups and those who, perhaps, will not be otherwise acknowledged for their ability to reach out – and in – to bring out the best in themselves and those around them.

To nominate someone for an Award, please complete the Nomination Form and return to Kristen Anderson, Kristen.Anderson@snoco.org, Karen.OMearaPullen@snoco.org or visit the Snohomish County Children's Commission webpage and Search We Value Kids Awards. Please submit your nomination no later than Friday, March 30, 2018. The We Value Kids awards will be presented in the spring to formally celebrate the accomplishments of these young people.

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We Value Kids Award Nomination Name of Nominee: We Value Kids Award (check one) o For grades K - 3: "We Value Kindness in Kids." Children who are consistently kind to others, who go out of their way to include children beyond their own group and who are regularly thoughtful and generous with their time and toys. o For grades 4 - 8: "We Value Courage in Kids." Young people who regularly "do the right thing," who are brave in standing up for their beliefs and for one another and who even take a lonely stand on an issue or in an uncomfortable situation. o For grades 9 - 12: "We Value Leadership in Kids." Teenagers who have developed (or are developing) strong traits of genuine leadership. This award will recognize teens who, for instance, have initiated a group or program, who have set a positive example for other young people and who have collaborated in working for social change or improvement of local (or global) situations. Current school and grade: Name of Parent/Guardian: Contact for Parent/Guardian: Email _____ Phone _____ Email* _____ How do you know the Nominee?

Tell us their story
Your Name:
Your Email:
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