



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 7.2

**Meeting Date:** June 7, 2018

**Subject:** District Green Apple Awards Presentation

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Facilities Support Services

**Recommendation:** None

**Background/Rationale:** None

**Financial Considerations:** None

**LCAP Goal(s):** Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students

**Documents Attached:**

1. List of Green Apple Award Recipients

**Estimated Time of Presentation:** 10 minutes

**Submitted by:** Cathy Allen, Chief Operations Officer

**Approved by:** Jorge A Aguilar, Superintendent

## 2018 Green Apple Award Recipients

Each spring the Green Apple Awards seek nominations of our dedicated staff, students and community that go above and beyond their daily tasks and responsibility to help make our learning environments more green and sustainable. Nominations were accepted in the categories of Green Team of the Year, Green Administrator of the Year, Green Educator of the Year and Green Operations Staff of the Year. Award recipients were honored for their work to reduce water and energy consumption, increase recycling and food waste collection, beautify their campus and promote sustainability among their students and colleagues. SCUSD would like to recognize the following 2018 Green Apple Award Recipients and congratulate all nominees.

### **2018 Green Apple Award Recipients**

#### **Green Educator of the Year 2018**

Julie Snider, Environmental Studies Teacher, Rosemont High School

Ms. Snider is a veteran teacher in the District who shares her passion and dedication to the environment with her students. At Rosemont, Ms. Snider provides hands-on learning opportunities and develops interesting projects for her students through the use of the school garden. In addition to agricultural practices like companion planting and crop health, she is able to use the garden to teach students about the importance of water conservation and composting.

#### **Green Administrator of the Year 2018**

Elizabeth Vigil, Principal, Rosemont High School

Mrs. Vigil is an advocate at Rosemont for responsible site management and an agent for change. She proudly supports a team of staff, including Ms. Snider, who are passionate about being environmentally aware and dedicated to providing 21-century leaning opportunities for all students. Mrs. Vigil promotes sustainability efforts by organizing tours that showcase their on-site garden and working with community partners such as SMUD and the Sacramento Tree Foundation to improve beautification on campus.

#### **Green Operations Staff of the Year 2018**

Elizabeth Brown, Plant Manager, Will C Wood Middle School

Ms. Brown is an integral part of the team at Will C Wood and often goes above and beyond her designated duties to support the school's sustainability efforts. She has been instrumental in helping the Spartan Club prep raised beds, replant trees and install a water catchment system on campus. On weekends and during breaks, Ms. Brown spends time organizing volunteer opportunities for students from Will C. Wood and other SCUSD schools to help keep all plant beds watered, pruned and weeded.

#### **Green Team of the Year 2018**

Project Green Team, Kit Carson International Academy

This year was Kit Carson's third year participating in Project Green. With the help of School Nurse Lora Jones, the Project Green Team made up of 8<sup>th</sup> grade GATE science students took on an ambitious list of projects. The team expanded sustainability curriculum in the classroom, invited multiple guest speakers to the school, received a grant to start a garden, increased recycling on campus and started collecting food waste in the cafeteria during lunch.