

2017 Crystal Apple Award Winners

Morrow & Umatilla Counties

Athena-Weston School District

Superintendent: Laure Quaresma

Megan Bryan (K-1st Grade Teacher, Athena Elementary School)

Justin Funderburk (P.E. Teacher/Athletic Director, Weston Middle School)

Echo School District

Superintendent: Raymon Smith

Ben Campbell (P.E. Teacher, Echo School District)

Brooke VanderVeen (Industrial Arts Teacher, Echo High School)

Helix School District

Superintendent: Darrick Cope

Julie Harper (Paraprofessional, Griswold High School)

Rory Simpson (Social Studies/P.E. Teacher, Helix Elementary & Griswold High School)

Ione School District

Superintendent: Jon Peterson

Bridgett Alldritt (Instructional Aide, Ione Community School)

Eric Jepsen (Science/Art Teacher, Ione Community School)

Milton-Freewater Unified School District

Superintendent: Dr. Rob Clark

Fil Chavez (Lead Custodian, Central Middle School)

Eric Lynn (Language Arts Teacher, McLoughlin High School)

Heather Vaughn (Special Education Teacher, Grove Elementary School)

Morrow County School District

Superintendent: Dirk Dirksen

Jan Huddleston (Maintenance Coordinator, District Office)

Curtis Johnston (Head Custodian, Windy River & Sam Boardman Elementary Schools)

Jessica Lentz (Educational Assistant, Heppner Jr/Sr High School)

Lois Tallman (Educational Assistant, Sam Boardman Elementary School)

Pendleton School District

Superintendent: Matt Yoshioka, Interim

Schelle Bixler (Science Teacher, Pendleton High School)

Steve Larson (Math Teacher/Athletic Director, Sunridge Middle School)

Anita Lewis (Athletic & Activities Secretary, Pendleton High School)

Vicki Stillman (Custodian, Sherwood Heights Elementary School)

Pilot Rock School District

Superintendent: Steve Staniak

Jacob Try (Music Teacher, Pilot Rock School District)

Denise Weinke (5th Grade Teacher, Pilot Rock Elementary School)

Stanfield School District

Superintendent: Shelley Liscom

Tina Williams (1st Grade Teacher, Stanfield Elementary School)

Brenna Weyand (Instructional Assistant, Stanfield Elementary School)

Ukiah School District

Superintendent: Daniel Korber

Anne Coote (Teacher/Residence Home Supervisor, Ukiah School)

Umatilla School District

Superintendent: Heidi Sipe

Valerie May (3rd Grade Teacher, McNary Heights Elementary School)

Tina Ridings (Classroom Assistant/STEM Academy Site Coordinator, Umatilla School District)

InterMountain ESD

Superintendent: Dr. Mark Mulvihill

Allen Acevedo (Network Analyst, IT Department)

Maria Burke (Educational Assistant, EI/ECSE Department)

Delores Jenson (Financial Specialist, Business Office)

Community Partner Award

Umatilla County Public Health: IMESD is proud to honor Umatilla County Public Health as the 2017 Community Partner Award recipient. Public health has been a key leader in the area of school-based health through the creation of Wellness Hubs. These hubs provide on-site support in the areas of nursing, mental health, oral health and system navigation in schools across the region. The innovative Hub design utilizes braided resources to expand capacity -- a model built for replication across the state.

“Umatilla Public Health is highly committed to eastern Oregon families. By partnering with other agencies that serve the public, they have increased capacity for students and families in need. Public health is always willing to come to the table, innovate and allocate resources in a creative way.”

Union County

Cove School District

Superintendent: Bruce Neil

Erich Dressen (7th Grade Teacher)

Cove School

Ross Hubbard (Social Studies/Psychology Teacher)

Cove School

Elgin School District

Superintendent: Dianne Greif

Cindy Chandler (Media Specialist)

Elgin High School

Juana Smith (Foreign Language/Alternative Ed Teacher)

Elgin High School

Imbler School District

Superintendent: Angie Lakey-Campbell

Mark Lanman (Maintenance/Transportation Supervisor)

Imbler School District

Sandy Mills (4th Grade Teacher)

Imbler Elementary School

InterMountain ESD

Superintendent: Dr. Mark Mulvihill

John Evans (Speech-Language Pathologist & Early Childhood/Evaluator)

La Grande School District

Superintendent: Larry Glaze

Catherine Bars (Paraeducator)

La Grande High School

Char Hampton (Operations Specialist)

La Grande School District

Tina Sudbrock (6th Grade Teacher)

La Grande Middle School

Debra Waite (Library Assistant III)

Island City Elementary School

North Powder School District

Superintendent: Lance Dixon

Matt Carlsen (Music Teacher)

North Powder School

Casey Townsend (Kindergarten Teacher)

North Powder School

Union School District

Superintendent: Carter Wells

Traci Antoine (Secretary)

Union High School

Susan Sheehy (Kindergarten Teacher)

Union Elementary School