

Sherman County Classified Employee Appreciation Week

March 7, 2016



Thank You Classified Employees!

After spending eight of the past ten years in the Sherman County School District, I continue to be amazed by the outstanding assistance our classified and support staff members provide our students, teachers and administration. They constantly work together to ensure the best education possible for ALL students. Every staff member works tirelessly to uphold the District motto of, "Working Together to Put Student Success First". The week of March 7-11 is National Classified School Employee Week. I want to take this opportunity to, again, recognize the outstanding classified employees and other support staff who work in the Sherman County School District. Their service and devotion is vital to the everyday operation of our schools.

- Our Instructional Assistants do amazing things daily that often go unnoticed. Debbie Bird, Betsy Casper, Connie Greenwood, Tina Kaseberg, Tionie Kock and Kya Mabe perform a myriad of tasks over the course of a school day to support teachers and students. They pride themselves on jumping in and assisting with anything that they can. These wonderful ladies are all tremendous team players.
- Our libraries are supervised by Deanna Christiansen and Marylou Martin. Together with the caring Public School Library staff, they professionally support our students, teachers and the community on a daily basis. Their friendly and helpful service is commendable and they provide an abundance of helpful materials, books, technology and information.
- We are fortunate to have an outstanding food service program and new facility in the Sherman County School District. Ree Ella von Borstel and Darcy Henry do a fantastic job preparing nutritious breakfast and lunch meals for our students. Their friendly service to our students and staff is exemplary.
- We have a custodial staff that has a tremendous amount of pride in caring for our facilities. Leta Ann Reckmann, Ryane Whitley and Craig Wood simply do a fantastic job. We regularly receive outstanding comments from community members, parents from other schools, and students about how clean our facilities are in the District.
- Our seasonal groundskeepers, Bruce and Synoma Olsen, do an outstanding job of keeping our district grounds looking immaculately groomed. From the athletic fields at the high school to the playground at the elementary school their hard work is evident.
- Jennifer Berry, Audrey Rooney and Jeanie Pehlke are the faces and voices of each school office. They are professional, friendly, and helpful to everyone with whom they come in contact during the day. They answer questions and process a remarkable amount of requests from parents, students, teachers and administrators. We are extremely fortunate to have them working in their positions.
- Kim McKinney is the Business Manager for the Sherman County School District. She works tirelessly supporting the staff, school board and administration. Her finance and budgeting experience is noteworthy.

If you ever get the opportunity, please take a moment to thank these wonderful employees for all that they do to support the students, parents and teachers in our community.

As always, I encourage your feedback and participation in the life of the Sherman County School District. I welcome your comments, questions, or concerns. Please give me a call at 541-565-3500, 541-333-2250 or send me an email at wowens@sherman.k12.or.us.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wes Owens", written over a white background.

Wes Owens
Superintendent