

OPSF CEERA Recipients

2022-23

Dennis	Hammer	Oregon Trail Middle School	CBR Para	September
Pam	Hopkins	Olathe West High School	Athletic Director Secretary	September
Kari	Nitschke	Rolling Ridge Elementary	Para	October
Lynn	Traylor	Havencroft Elementary	Administrative Secretary	October
Barbara	Chaves	Walnut Grove Elementary	Early Childhood para	November
Shelly	Thurman	IRC	Career Pathways Admin. Asst.	November
Erica	Derrington	Graphic Communication	Manager	December
Crystal	Greer	IRC	Sped Data Clerk	December
Daumaris	Bush	Pioneer Trail Middle School	Para	January
Jean	Miller	Clearwater Creek Elementary	Para	January
Shannon	Blake	Claire Learning Center	Aide	February
Alberto	Pineda Tortolero	Bentwood Elementary	Lead Custodian	February
Megan	Baum	Millbrooke Elementary	Para	March
Kristine	Middendorf	OATC	Job Coach	March
Armando	Sanchez	Madison Place Elementary	Lead Custodian	April
Liz	Barbosa	Mill Creek Campus	Custodian	Aprl
Jan	East	Sunnyside Elementary	Secretary	May
Esmerelda (Esme)	Gonzalez	Westview	Administrative assistant	May

2021-22

Amy	Wheeler	Heatherstone Elmentary	para	September
Jessica	Olsen	Santa Fe Trail Middle School	Para	September
Heidi	Tomassi	Mill Creek Campus	Para	October
Rebecca	Mazmanian	Indian Creek Elementary	ELL Aide	October
Beth	Eisenbraun	Chisholm Trail Middle School	Resource Para	November
Luis	Perez	Millbrooke Elementary	Lead Custodian	November
Christine	Stevenson	Ridgeview Elementary	Administrative Secretary	December
Denise	Carpenter	Green Springs Elementary	Para	December
Roberta (Bert)	Burson	Madison Place Elementary	Lead Custodian	January
Heather	Billings	Indian Trail Middle School	Para	January
Rosa	Hoehn	Mission Trail Middle School	Lead Custodian	February
Cathy	Clark	Heritage Elementary	Resource Para	February
Kristen	Willingham	Rolling Ridge Elementary	ELL Aide	March
Andrea	Leach	Northview Elementary	Instructional Aide - Title I Reading	March
Elvira	Lemus	Frontier Trail Middle School	Custodian 2	April
Gary	McVey	OATC - WDLC Campus	Job Coach	Aprl
Destiny	Warsop	Briarwood Elementary	Custodian	May
Tammy	Megles	Parents as Teachers	Administrative Secretary 2	May

2020-21

Karen	Weir	Pleasant Ridge Elementary	Para	September
Maria	Johnson	Indian Trail Middle School	Interpreter (Spanish)	September
Cori	Czajka	Olathe West High School	CBR Para	October
Debbie	Pflumm	IRC	Para Specialist	October
Julia	Mauk	Summit Trail Middle School	Data Operator	November
Angie	Mendez	Mill Creek Campus	parent educator	November
Dianne	Carpenter	Forest View Elementary	Para	December
Barb	Kolb	Olathe East High School	Para	December
Heather	Cann	IRC	Student Records Secretary	January
Kelli	Zuel	Tomahawk Elementary	Administrative Secretary	January
Renee	Walker	Olathe West High School	21st Century Academy Secretary	February
Sloan	Bestgen	Heritage Elementary School	Administrative Secretary	February
Emma	Tiscareno	Indian Creek Elementary	Secretarial Assistant	March
Shelly	Gore	Technology Support Center	Information Systems Manager	March
Shelley	Kampschroeder	Chisholm Trail Middle School	Para	April
Virginia	Bertelsen	Frontier Trail Middle School	Administrative Secretary	April
Amanda	York	Mill Creek Campus	Administrative Assistant	May
Jackie	Armatas-Giesecke	Olathe East High School	Secretary	May

2019-20

Lori	Busing	Education Center	Certified Staff Specialist	September
Blayne	Nye	Santa Fe Trail Middle School	ED Classroom Para	September
Samanta	Landa	Education Center	Language Management Specialist	October
Les	Banks	Oregon Trail Middle School	Lead Custodian	October
Ricardo	Gutierrez	Mill Creek Campus	Administrative Secretary	November
Becky	Tipton	Green Springs Elementary	Para	November
Gwen	Ellenbecker	Cedar Creek Elementary	Secretary	December
Claudia	Arzate Olono	IRC	Lead custodian	December
Melody	Davis	Green Springs Elementary	Classroom Aide/Para	January
Ellie	Reek	Summit Trail Middle School	Para	January
Christopher	Scruggs	Olathe North High School	Para	February
Roberta	Roelfs	Countryside Elementary	Library Clerk	February
Julie	Wenger	Rolling Ridge Elementary	ELL Aide	March

The second March recipient as well as April and May recipients were not awarded due to the closing of schools associated with the Corona Virus.

2018-19

Maryanne	Rutzmoser	Westview Elementary	ELL Instructional Aide	September
Jan	Carroll	Washington Elementary - Now at Ridgeview	Title I Math Aide	September
Dan	Mulvenon	WDSC - Now at PLC	Job Coach	October
Lori	Conway	Millbrooke Elementary	Para Educator	October
Natalie	Raney	Instructional Resource Center	Math Administrative Assistant	November
Barbara	Truitt	Olathe South High School	Para Educator	November
Virginia "Ginger"	Ewonus	Olathe East	General Secretary III	December
Linda	Player	Frontier Trail Middle School	Paraprofessional	December
Andrew (A.J.)	Avery	Olathe West High School, now at Tech Center	Security Analyst	January
Adam	Hallum	Cedar Creek Elementary	Custodian	January
Bryan	Jenkins	Summit Trail Middle School	Para	February
Mertie	Bouknight	Indian Creek Elementary School	ELL Aide	February
Evonne	Riek	Chisholm Trail Middle School	CBR Para	March
Cynthia	Hall	Education Center	Accountant	March
Leah	Hargis	Central Elementary School	Administrative Assistant	April
Jorge	Alba	Sunnyside	Custodian	April
Magdalena	Lopez	Central Elementary School	Lead Custodian	May
Heather	Clyne	Countryside Elementary	ELL Aide	May

2017-18

Marlene	Colgan	District Communications	Web Manager	August
Kathy	Reese	Ravenwood Elementary	Administrative Secretary	August
Marilyn	Crawford	Santa Fe Middle School	Paraprofessional	September
Kristin	Robertson	Forest View Elementary	Kindergarten Aide	September
Shanna	Wiley	Cedar Creek Elementary	Cook	October
Karl	Klamm	Bentwood Elementary	Lead Custodian	October
Gary	Caldwell	Technology Support Center	Network Tech Level 2	Nov/Dec
Catalina	Hopson	Ravenwood Elementary	Paraprofessional	Nov/Dec
Jeanne	Christenson	Ridgeview Elementary	Para-educator - Special Education	Nov/Dec
Jill	Wilcox	Instructional Resource Center	Administrative Secretary II	January
Debbie	Evers	Olathe Northwest	Receptionist	January
Gabriel	Reyes	Rolling Ridge Elementary School	Custodian	February
Martha	Valverde-Martinez	Rolling Ridge Elementary School	Lead Custodian	February
Brenda	Brown	Pioneer Trail Middle School	Data Operator	March
Julie	Case	Brougham Elementary	Secretary	March
Walter	Zander	West Dennis Learning Center	Lead Custodian	April
Jennifer	Vohland	Chisholm Trail Middle School	Paraeducator	April
Renee	Lunbeck	Havencroft Elementary	Para Educator - Resource	May
Cheryl	Darlington	Pioneer Trail Middle School	Paraeducator III	May

2016-17

Debbie	Roth	Meadow Lane Elementary	Secretary	April
Amy	Black	Mission Trail Middle School	Paraeducator	April
Nicole	Atencio	Instructional Resource Center	Assessment Manager	August
Marcella	Jacobson	Scarborough Elementary	Paraeducator	August
Angie	Laughrey	Instructional Resource Center	IEP Technology Specialist	February
Andrea	Kopta	Manchester Park Elementary	School Secretary	February
Janice	Tusten	Olathe South	21st Century Administrative Assistant	January
TaPatrick	Barbee	Pleasant Ridge Elementary	Custodian Lead	January
Brooke	Markey	Chisholm Trail	Autism Instructional Aide	March
Joleene	Conver	Chisholm Trail	Autism Instructional Aide	March
David	Meine	Olathe North	CONNECT Program Paraprofessionals	May
Robert	Wynn	Olathe North	CONNECT Program Paraprofessionals	May
Curt	Fehr	Graphic Communications	Graphic Designer	Nov/Dec
Kevin	Lyon	Operations Service Center	Mail Driver	Nov/Dec
Michelle	Bellamy	Oregon Trail	Paraeducator	October
Debbie	King	Technology Support Center	Level 1 Tech	October
Laurie	Wendland	Arbor Creek	Paraeducator	September
Jason	Comer	Frontier Trail	Custodian	September

2015-16

Marschel	Rasco	Cedar Creek Elementary	Paraprofessional	April
Tami	Gabbert	Olathe South	Paraeducator	April
Enrique	Pena	Prairie Trail Middle School	Custodian	August
Kendra	Menke	Regency Place Elementary	ELL Aide	August
Wanita	Callas	Forest View Elementary	Paraprofessional	Feb
Lu Ann	Yager	Santa Fe Trail	ELL Aide	Feb
Kim	King	Green Springs Elementary School	Paraprofessional	Jan
Leslie	Banks	Oregon Trail Middle School	Custodian	Jan
Barb	Cogswell	West Dennis Learning Center	Paraeducator/Job Coach	March
Ashley	Soltz	Westview Elementary	Paraeducator	March
Angela	Klusman	Olathe South	Administrative Assistant	May
Sheila	Bethel	Washington Elementary	ELL Aide	May
Tierney	Parker	Mission Trail Middle School	Paraprofessional	Nov/Dec
Jocelyn	Cobos	Washington Elementary	Paraeducator	Nov/Dec
Mary	Wargin	Instructional Resource Center	Administrative Secretary	October
Rene	Holmes	Olathe South High School	Nursing Assistant	October
Judy	Phelps	Madison Place Elementary	Paraprofessional	September
Julie	Pickerill	Olathe Northwest High School	Library Aide	September

2014-15

Cheryl	Phillips	Heartland/Countryside	Autism Instructional Assisstant	April
Adriana	Braswell	Indian Trail Middle School	Spanish Interpreter	April
Jackie	Bigelow	Green Springs Elementary School	Paraprofessional	Aug
Norma	Michel	Oregon Trail Middle School	Interpreter	Aug
Vicki	Johnson	Central Elementary	Para Educator	Feb
Mardell	Eilderts	Countryside Elementary	ELL Aide	Feb
Teresita	Derting	Indian Trail Middle School	Para Educator	Jan
Cathy	Herbison	Olathe Technology Support Center	Elementary Gradebook Specialist	Jan
Leslie	Boyd	Education Center	Manager Classified Professional Development	March
Phyllis	Tormey	WDSC - Graphic Comm. Dept.	Secretary	March
Donna	Logan	Heartland Early Childhood	Transportation Specialist	May
Ailiana	Garcia	Rolling Ridge Elementary	Spanish Interpreter/Secretarial Assistant	May
Kim	Russell	Harmony Early Childhood Center	Administrative Assistant	Nov/Dec
Susan	Zimmerman	Prairie Center Elementary	Administrative Secretary	Nov/Dec
Mary	Barrios	Education Center	Administrative Assistant	Oct
Janice	Craven	Madison Place Elementary	Library Clerk	Oct
Raul	Sanchez	Mahaffie	Head Custodian	Sept
Rebecca	Emry	Oregon Trail Middle School	Secretarial Assistant	Sept

2013-14

Theresa	Kapitan	Santa Fe Trail Middle School	ED Para Professional	April
Leslie	DeBrabander	Washington Elementary School	Paraeducator	April
Beth	Anderson	Meadow Lane Elementary	Paraeducator	August
Joni	Hiatt	Olathe North	Paraeducator	August
Melissa	Phillippe	Madison Place Elementary	School Aide	Feb
Nancy	Kuhn	West Dennis Learning Center	Paraeducator	Feb
Laura	Stubbs	Briarwood Elementary	Paraeducator	Jan
Cheryl	Black	Countryside Elementary School	Paraeducator	Jan
Shawn	Croushore	Pioneer Trail Middle School	Lead Custodian	March
Jennifer	Thompson	Rolling Ridge Elementary	Administrative Assistant	March
Mercedes	Estrada De Natzu	Woodland Elementary School	Custodian	May
Delia	Mullins	Woodland Elementary School	Paraeducator	May
Susie	Meyn	Olathe Northwest	Data Operator	Nov/Dec
Manuel	Natzu	Olathe South High School	Custodian	Nov/Dec
Sandy	Garms	Fairview Elementary School	School Aide	October
Brenda	Mesmer	Washington Elementary School	ELL Aide	October
Kim	Lindahl	Frontier Trail Middle School	Administrative Assistant	September
Michelle	Haug	Havencroft Elementary	Secretary	September

2012-13

Lou Ann	Proctor	Instructional Resource Center	Para, Job Coach, Admin. Asst., Scheduler	April
Jennifer	Sanderson	Olathe Northwest	Secretary - Asst Principal/Athletics/Trans.	April
Ramiro	Gonzalez	Brougham	Custodian	August
Donna	Peters	Olathe South	Secretary	August
Mary	Patrick	Indian Trail Middle School	Secretary	Feb.
Andra	Beashore	Brougham Elementary School	Paraprofessional	Feb.
Neil	Minter	Green Springs Elem	Paraeducator	Jan.
Jane	Jones	Pioneer Trail Middle School	Administrative Asst.	Jan.
Colleen	Murphy	Briarwood Elementary	Paraeducator	March
Barbara	Plowman	Meadow Lane Elementary School	Food Services Cafeteria Manager	March
Laura	Wedermeyer	Mission Trail Middle School	Paraprofessional	May
Angela	Bartels	Ravenwood	Paraprofessional	May
Victor	Sanchez	Heritage Elementary School	Lead Custodian	Nov
Carolynn	Pearson	Education Center	Administrative Asst.	Nov
Kay	Tucker	Westview Elementary School	Food Services	Oct
Alina	Walther	Ridgeview Elementary School	ILA/Translator	Oct
Deb	Sleezer	Millcreek Center	CTE Administrative Secy	Sept
Cindy	Butler	Arbor Creek	Secretary	Sept