

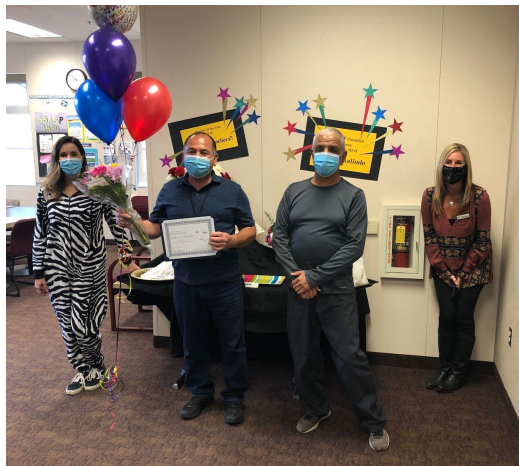
# Press Release

SOLANA BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## District and Schools Announce Certificated and Classified Employees of the Year



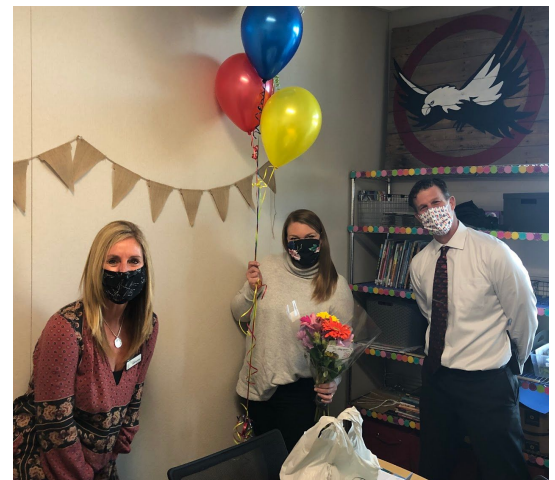
SOLANA BEACH, CA (March 12, 2021) – The Solana Beach School District (SBSD) is proud to announce the Certificated and Classified Employees of the Year for 2020-2021. In special staff meetings held virtually, school- and site-level recipients were revealed, with some schools announcing that all staff would be honored during this challenging school year (*see chart on page 2*).

Next, a district-level committee, made up of administrators, employee union representatives, and the prior year's

Certificated and Classified Employees of the Year, met to review all school and site nominations (with names redacted) to select SBSBD's Teacher of the Year and the District's Classified Employee of the Year.

*(Photo, top left: Solana Pacific Principal Elisa Fregoso, 2020-2021 Classified Employee of the Year Eleazar Galindo, Plant Foreman at Solana Pacific School, SBASP President Ali Mirzahosseini, and Superintendent Jodee Brentlinger; Photo, lower right: Superintendent Jodee Brentlinger, 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year Dawn Butler, Curriculum Resource Teacher at Solana Ranch School, and Solana Ranch Principal Jerry Jones)*

We are incredibly proud to announce that Dawn Butler, Curriculum Resource Teacher at Solana Ranch School, and Eleazar Galindo, Plant Foreman at Solana Pacific School, are the 2020-2021 SBSBD Employees of the Year! Superintendent Jodee Brentlinger and Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Courtney Goode were able to make surprise appearances with balloons and flowers in hand for each district-level honoree.



“We are proud of all of our staff this year for their resilience, flexibility and focus on doing what is best for students. And we are thrilled to be gathering virtually to celebrate our Employees of the Year for their outstanding commitment and contribution to students, learning and the future,” said Vicki King, President of the SBSBD Board of Education.

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Below is a list of all those honored at each site:

School Site / Department	Certificated Employee of the Year	Classified Employee of the Year
Carmel Creek	Karras Hacker, Special Education Teacher	Lynn Fleming, IA II, Media Center
Child Development Center (CDC)		Claudia Klumpyan, CDC Teacher
District Office	Katherine Horn, Special Education Teacher, Preschool	Natalie Cokrljic, Secretary III
Online Scholars	Tori Klinge, 4th Grade	Francesca Vaccarino, Occupational Therapist
Skyline	All School Certificated Staff	All School Staff
Solana Highlands	All School Certificated Staff	Mario Borunda, Plant Foreman
Solana Pacific	All School Certificated Staff	Eleazar Galindo , Plant Foreman
Solana Ranch	Dawn Butler, Curriculum Resource Teacher	Monica Smith, School Secretary
Solana Santa Fe	Veronica Reist, Curriculum Resource Teacher	Karen Stanton, School Secretary
Solana Vista	Jesse Mitchell, 2nd Grade	Emanuela Pampanini, IA II, Special Education

The Solana Beach School District is located at 309 North Rios Avenue in Solana Beach, California.

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