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# CLASS OF 2022 LEAVING A LEGACY

### **CLASS OF 2022:**



A message from Dr. Rebecca Miner, Interim Superintendent for the 2022-23 school year

A s I join the district I want to reflect on our graduating class of 2022. The talent, compassion and creativity that crossed the graduation stage was top notch, and you will read about a few of those seniors in this newsletter.

From an artist creating inclusive welcome banners, to an athlete noticing a crucial need for mental health support, and another student reigniting a Random Acts of Kindness Everywhere club, these graduates' stories show the talent and humanity of the Edmonds School District. They are our future. I hope you feel the same sense of hope and joy I do by reading their stories.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you out in our schools and in the community. If you would like to learn more about me, please visit the district website:

#### bit.ly/ESDMiner



### **Student muralists at Mountlake Terrace High**



Mural by Logan Blas-Felarca, Mira Policani and Tatyana Drew.



#### Logan Blas-Felarca:

"We wanted to convey the feeling that we're experiencing leaving high school through our mural. Growing up experiencing all these different classes and learning all these different skills you really come out of it a different person than you did when you started high school."



Mira Policani:

"Getting through high school you really run into a whole lot of little roadblocks and it always is frustrating and it feels like the end of the world, just like when you're making art. You have to really trust the process and what's happening when you're creating something like this."

### Kerensa Suzara:

"My brother went to this school and I remember going down these halls when I was younger. I was like, 'When I go to this school I hope I get to paint a mural!' I really had a goal of making sure everyone felt like they belonged here and I thought I could depict that with this mural."



# VIDEO SPOTLIGHT



Hear more from our featured graduates: bit.ly/ESD2022Legacy

### **LEAVING A LEGACY**

### Sylvia Rickman: Designing welcome banners at Edmonds-Woodway High

### Anabelle Mulik: Bringing back Random Acts of Kindness Everywhere at Meadowdale High



"I wanted to create these to welcome everybody so I did the four colors as well as a rainbow flag for the LGBTQ students at the school. I hope more people participate in the arts and that this inspires them just to try to make our school an inclusive place for everyone."

"During the pandemic we went to some frontline workers and grocery store workers and we would give them little goodie bags and some chocolate and thank you notes just to show how much we appreciate them and to thank them for all their hard work. When we came back to school this year. we had a blanket drive and a drive for clothing for the homeless and people in need in our community. I hope that other students will continue to spread kindness to others and build a sense of community and reach out to other students and connect with others and get to know them for who they are. Even just a simple hello can go a long way."





Payton Masters: Supporting student mental health through "Student Athlete Advocacy Program" at Lynnwood High

"I've lost a teammate to suicide, I had another teammate deal with similar things and luckily we still have her today. I wanted to put something in place specifically for them. Connecting them with their school psychologist or our social worker or even our financial options we have if they need help paying for their sports things."



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On behalf of the Foundation for Edmonds School District and our donors, we congratulate the class of 2022! We wish you incredible success and joy for the future. The Foundation is proud to provide over \$162,000 in scholarships to Edmonds School District graduates this year.

For the full list of recipients, please scan the QR code.

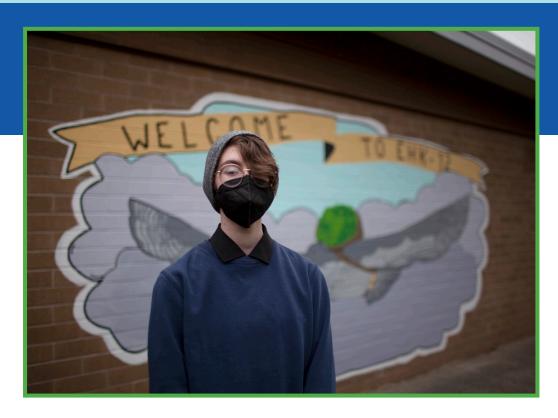


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# CLASS OF 2022: LEAVING A LEGACY



Nadia Brainerd: Designing a welcome mural and graduation program for Edmonds Heights K-12

"I think Edmonds Heights is supposed to be very welcoming and an open school and to make people feel relaxed and at home so I wanted to convey that a little bit and have a friendly mascot figure that makes people feel at ease when they see it and welcomes them in. It's a very interesting feeling especially when it's on a wall that will be there for quite a few years to know that part of my art is going to be in the world permanently for a while, but I am very proud of it and proud that I got the opportunity to do it."

Marz Souza: Creating hallway and classroom art at Scriber Lake High

"It makes me feel really happy to know that there's going to be more people looking at

