Program Spotlight: Athletics

Student athletes shine during one-of-a-kind school year

Constantly changing schedules, overlapping seasons and shifting COVID-19 protocols were just a few of the difficulties that impacted Chimacum athletics during the 2020-2021 school year. However, in the face of those challenges, CSD student athletes and coaches came together to pull off one of the most fast-paced, exciting seasons in school history.

“Early in the year, we were given a four-week heads up on which sports would be starting in the fall, and we had to put our heads together as a league to get things ready for our student athletes,” recalled Carrie Beebe, Athletic Director for Chimacum School District. “It has been a lot of work, with a lot of last minute changes, but nothing has been more rewarding than seeing our kids out on the fields and courts, playing sports.”

The district was able to offer all sports this school year, and with an ongoing resource-sharing cooperative between Chimacum School District and Port Townsend, the future looks bright.

“Even though we played in a league where we were the smallest schools combined, we saw so much growth in our student athletes this year,” said Beebe. “They maintained impeccable sportsmanship and dedication through it all.”

CSD SPORTS AWARDS: 2020-2021

Akira Anderson: Volleyball - 2nd Team, All-League
Christopher Fair: Football - 1st Team, All-League
Anson Jones: Football - 2nd Team, All-League
Hunter Cerna: Baseball - 1st Team, All-League
Gavin Lawson: Baseball - 1st Team, All-League
Tanner Carstensen: Co-Ed Track, All-League for Triple Jump
Bjorn Danaan-Devas: Co-Ed Track, All-League for Javelin

Behind the Program: Carrie Beebe, Athletic Director

Carrie Beebe, Athletic Director for Chimacum School District, is a fifth generation Port Townsend High School Graduate. After high school, she went to Bellevue Community College on a volleyball and basketball scholarship, and later transferred to Washington State University on a full-ride scholarship for crew.

After graduating from college, Beebe spent 17 years working for Boys & Girls Clubs in the Sequim area and in Southern Oregon. During this time, she received master’s degrees in Instructional Technology and English Language Arts. She has since served as a Language Arts teacher and Athletic Director for multiple schools.

Beebe has experience coaching volleyball, basketball, track, golf, tennis and indoor soccer.
Looking Ahead: Wishes for next school year

“I’m looking forward to extracurricular activities at the junior senior high school like foreign languages, clubs and sports. I’ve always wanted to learn French!”
- Graysen, 6th Grade

“We could have a scientist lab and make new things and a lot of mess—but we get to clean it up.”
- Braedyn, 1st Grade

“I’m looking forward to being 11 years old!”
- Trig, 4th Grade

“I want it to be sort of normal again. For example, lots of fans at sporting events and activities like Homecoming and the bonfire.”
- Shelby, 10th Grade

“I would love to study about science and learn about different scientists. It would be fun to study about space and make volcanoes.”
- Chloe, 2nd Grade

“I am looking forward to learning to playing the clarinet better. The more I practice the better I will be!”
- Kamden, 6th Grade

Message from Dr. Engle, Interim Superintendent

It feels a bit risky to be celebrating the completion of a school year when a global pandemic is still raging; but we will celebrate, nonetheless! When I joined the school district as interim superintendent in August of 2020, it felt like long odds just getting the school year underway in September. Look at us now! Here we are in June celebrating the graduating Class of 2021 with a completed school year in place. This did not happen by chance.

This school year called on district staff, students, families and community supporters of every walk of life to help wrest some sense of normalcy and accomplishment from a pandemic-impacted school calendar. We had to put in place four different educational frameworks over the course of the school year in response to changing, virus-driven conditions. The fact that our community was able to conduct a successful school year has been no mean feat!

I am immeasurably grateful to have had this chance to come to know and appreciate this community more deeply over the course of this academic year. I was so impressed with this community when it passed its school levy in February with overwhelming support. What a wonderful place! I knew then that we would make it to June and this celebration of success.

Thank you and best wishes for a great summer break!

David Engle
Interim Superintendent

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