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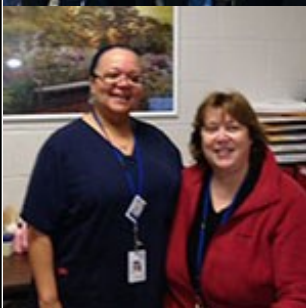
THANK YOU VCSD SRPs!



There are no greater advocates for children and education than teachers and teacher unions.

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children. We thank them and appreciate all that they contribute to our school community. For more photos visit our Photo Gallery on the web:

http://vcta.net/photo_gallery.htm .

SRP Recognition Day—Tuesday, November 19:

We celebrate School-Related Professional (SRP) Recognition Day Tuesday, November 19th. This is an opportunity to highlight the work of our SRP's and let them know how much we appreciate all that they contribute to our schools. The role of an SRP at Valley Central covers a wide range of responsibilities and spans across all the buildings in the district. SRP Recognition Day provides an opportunity to publicly acknowledge the efforts of School-Related Professionals.

When parents call the district or come into our school buildings, the first people that they generally have contact with are our SRPs. School-Related Professionals have the responsibility of trying to respond to the needs of parents, staff and visitors. These responses can take the form of phone calls or face to face interaction when people visit our buildings. It takes a certain expertise to be able to answer all those questions or know who to redirect those questions and concerns to that come their way! We appreciate the professionalism that our SRPs exhibit in their interactions with parents, students, and staff.

In the day to day responsibilities of an SRP the list of possible tasks are many, and it can be a staggering task to just get through one thing on the list before 3 more things get added to it! Needless to say our SRPs are good multi-taskers in order to be able to tackle all the different types of responsibilities and to juggle them so that everything gets attended to!

Our SRPs are also part of Central Office, assisting with personnel files, including continuing education credits, and APPR materials. Payroll and ordering supplies for the district are processed by our SRPs. Many of the tasks related to the mountain of special education paperwork are taken care of by SRPs, and their attention to detail helps to keep us in compliance with regulations! Also falling on the shoulders of our SRPs is answering questions from parents and staff about how and when to complete the correct paperwork so that our programs for students run well and that we have the resources that we need.

The guidance department SRP's are on the 'front line' in terms of answering questions from students, parents and staff. They help to triage the issues that come through the office and can quickly determine which students are in significant crisis and which students can return to class if they provide a supportive comment and leave a message for their counselor. All this takes place along with scheduling college fairs, adjusting class schedules and scheduling individual student appointments with guidance counselors.

Our students are transported each day by SRP bus drivers and we rely on them to safely deliver our students to and from school and school events every day. The SRPs on our nutritional staff work wonders with limited funding while our maintenance/custodial SRPs work diligently keeping our aged and outdated facilities clean and running smoothly throughout the year. SRPs in the classroom and one-on-one SRPs directly support classroom instruction, while SRP monitors ensure student safety and efficient transitions in our hallways, cafeterias and playgrounds. Other SRPs in the nurse's office and occupational therapy assistants meet the physical/medical needs of our students each day. Our Instructional Technology Specialists work diligently installing and repairing our technology infrastructure.

On this SRP Recognition Day, Tuesday, November 19th, be sure to take the time to recognize the contributions of all SRPs in our district. These School-Related Professionals make our mission of putting children center both possible and more effective. School-Related Professionals work side-by-side as partners in the education of our children. We thank them and appreciate all that they contribute to our school community.

