

NEBO SCHOOL DISTRICT'S SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Nebo District has approximately 33,000 students in 2017-2018.
- Nebo District has over 3,800 employees.
- Nebo District is the 6th largest district in Utah.
- Nebo District is the 5th largest employer in Utah County.

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Superintendent's Message: The Legacy of a Hero

Kevin Brown's call to "Be Your Best When it Matters the Most" has been one of the most impactful themes for my personal and professional life. I have thoroughly enjoyed seeing our employees share this message with their "Nebo Hero" shirts this year and, even more important, seeing it demonstrated in your daily, heroic commitments to live the Hero Effect: *Help* People . . . with no strings attached, create *Exceptional* Experiences, take *Responsibility*, and see life through the lens of *Optimism*.



Quoting John Maxwell, Kevin reminds us that "when we die, others summarize our entire life in one sentence and carve it in a piece of stone." He then poses the following: "What will they say about you when you're gone? What will they say about your time on this planet? How will you be remembered?"

"You decide what your legacy will be. You decide what will live on after you are gone.

You decide what the story line of your life will be.

"The time is now to unleash the hero within you, to discover your extraordinary self, show up every day, and choose not to be ordinary."

By following the principles of the Hero Effect, I too believe that we will realize Kevin's promise that these commitments "will change your life. And if we are lucky, it just might change the world."

As we wrap up another successful school year and

begin to enjoy summer renewal, please remember Kevin's final charge:

Always be yourself.
Unless you can be Batman.
Then you should always be Batman.
The world needs your hero!



Nebo School Board Approves Raise

The Nebo Board of Education approved a 5% base salary increase for all employee groups for the upcoming school year. This is a significant investment into our most important assets, our employees. With this increase and other salary schedule changes, our beginning teachers will receive an annual compensation of \$42,388 for next year. Additionally, each employee will receive a bonus of up to \$500 this fall based on their FTE.

BE A Nebo Hero

Joseph Davies, IT Technician, Mapleton Jr., "Joe is so quick to respond when any technology problem emerges. He takes the initiative to check by individual teachers' classrooms to make sure technology is working." Recognized by Cassidy Peterson, Melissa Heaton, Shelly Miller.

Amy Jensen, Teacher, Riverview, "Amy is always willing to help other teachers especially if they are new. She is willing to share anything she might have." Recognized by Misty Jones.

Jennifer Jolley, Teacher, East Meadows, "Our son said, 'Mrs. Jolley never has boring worksheets!' She makes phone calls home to let us know when our child is struggling with a particular math concept." Recognized by Jethro Gillespie.

Maria Hawk, Skill Build., Park, "She is such an amazing Skill Building Coach. I have seen her work her magic with some of the difficult students." Recognized by Natalie Taylor.

Ryan Rigby, Teacher, Spanish Oaks, "He never speaks badly about others and is always so kind. I am new on the fourth-grade team, and he has been so helpful and patient with me." Recognized by Megann McKendrick.

Nikki Mendenhall, Teacher, Salem Jr., "Nikki must have an internal alarm clock that alerts her of when someone is having a stressful day. She is an incredible positive influence for our students as well! She is never too busy to help the students in need." Recognized by Anne Cook.

Graduations

May 21

Landmark, Rodeo Grounds, 2:00 p.m.

May 23

Payson High, UVU, 10:00 a.m.
Salem Hills High, SHHS, 2:00 p.m.
Spanish Fork High, UVU, 6:00 p.m.

May 24

Springville High, UVU, 10:00 a.m.
Maple Mountain High, UVU, 2:00 p.m.
Legacy Program, Summit Center, 7:00 p.m.

Nebo District's Retirees for 2018

Margaret Al Jamal, Teacher, Special Education, Spring Lake Elementary, 12 yrs.

Sue Bell, Head Custodian, Summit Center, 30 yrs.

Lillian Clark, Speech, Foothills Elementary, 32 yrs.

Alexandra Dedrickson, Teacher, Brockbank Elementary, 33 yrs.

Becky Lyne DeHeer, Transport Food Services, Sage Creek Elementary, 35 yrs.

Sharon Foster, Preschool Teacher, Hobble Creek Elementary, 21 yrs.

Jonni C. Franz, Head Custodian, Spanish Fork Junior & Payson Junior, 26.5 yrs.

Kim Gerke, Coordinator Student Services, District Office, 37 yrs.

Suzette Hartvigsen, Physical Education Teacher, Springville High & Salem Junior, 32 yrs.

Ron Hutton, Bus Driver, Transportation, 11 yrs.

Kristi Jensen, Special Education Teacher, Grant, Larsen Elementary & Brockbank Elementary, 31 yrs.

Janet Johnson, Secretary, DO, Young Parents, Westside Elementary, 21 yrs.

Dwight Liddiard, Coordinator Human Resource, District Office, 33.5 yrs.

Carol Morrison, Teacher, Meadow Brook Elementary, 13 yrs.

Virginia Sivak, Teacher, Riverview Elementary, 12 yrs.

Carl Swenson, Principal, Payson Junior, 36 yrs.

Connie Jo Thomas, Transport Food Services, Park Elementary, 5 yrs.

Debbie Wales, Copy Center Technician, Springville High, 15 yrs.

Jeff Wales, Computer Lab Technician, Springville High, 16 yrs.

Dates to Celebrate:

May 1-31

International Civility Month

Better Hearing and Speech/
Healthy Vision Month

National Physical Fitness &
Sports Month

May 5-12

National Music Week

May 6-10

National Teacher Appreciation
Week

May 5

Cinco de Mayo

May 7

National Teacher Day

May 8

National Bike to School Day
National School Nurse Day

May 12

Mother's Day

May 12-18

Food Allergy Awareness Week

May 18

Armed Forces Day

May 21

Landmark Graduation

May 23

Graduations: PHS, SHHS, SFHS,

May 24

Graduations: SHS, MMHS, Lega-
cy

May 27

Memorial Day

May 31

World No Tobacco Day

Nebo District's Theme for 2018-2019

Kevin Carroll is the acclaimed author of *Rules of the Red Rubber Ball*, *What's Your Red Rubber Ball?!* and *The Red Rubber Ball at Work*. He travels the globe speaking to businesses and to young people about the importance of sport and play in life. He is a dedicated advocate in the Sport for Social Change movement.

With his consulting endeavors, Kevin has helped turn creative ideas into reality for organizations such as The National Hockey League, ESPN, Nike, Starbucks (his words appeared on 17 million Grande cups), The National Basketball Association, The Walt Disney Company, Mattel, Hasbro, Procter & Gamble, The Discovery Channel, Capital One, and many others.



May 2018 PEAK Awards

To read the nomination submissions, go to May 2018 PEAK Awards: <http://www.nebo.edu/news/2484>. To submit a PEAK Award nomination, go to employee page and scroll down, or go to: www.nebo.edu/PEAK.



Nominated by: Shanna Stirland
 PEAK Award: Treana Kober, Counselor, Park View Elem.
 Superintendent Rick Nielsen & Board President Kristen Betts



Nominated by: Crystal Jensen
 PEAK Award: Jennifer Waters, Teacher, Orchard Hills
 Superintendent Rick Nielsen & Board President Kristen Betts



Nominated by: Lynn Mecham, Scott Carson
 PEAK Award: Howard Bonzo, Teacher, Landmark High
 Superintendent Rick Nielsen & Board President Kristen Betts



Nominated by: Alesha LeMmon
 PEAK Award: Allyson Brooks, Teacher, Spanish Fork Jr.
 Superintendent Rick Nielsen & Board President Kristen Betts



Nominated by: Julie Peery
 PEAK Award: Dyan Gordon, Secretary, Mapleton Elem.
 Superintendent Rick Nielsen & Board President Kristen Betts



Nominated by: Jen Wimmer
 PEAK Award: Mari Kadish, Teacher, Meadow Brook Elem.
 Superintendent Rick Nielsen & Board President Kristen Betts



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If your successes are not listed above, please get awards to iana.hiskey@nebo.edu with Award Nebo News in the subject line.

Nebo Hero

Nebo District's Celebrations

Student Celebrations

Caden Blair, Tanner & Jayden Chapman win BYU Innovations Fair.

Clark Tolbert, MMHS, selected the Daily Herald Student of the Week.

Lindsay Gardiner, SJHS, was honored by the Springville City Mayor & Council.

MMHS Color Guard Regional AA State Champions!

State Science Awards:

Trent Wilson, Maple Ridge; Madison Holman, Hobble Creek; Ammon Wallace, Salem Jr.; Jesse Shepherd, Spanish Fork Jr.

Employee/Program Celebrations

Melanie Adamson, Maple Ridge, honored with State PTA Outstanding Educator Award.

Kelly Burtenshaw, Spanish Oaks, honored with State Spirit of PTA Award.

Kendall Bosch, Technology Teacher at East Meadows, Spotlitged by Nebo School District.

Dave Jones, MMHS, selected the Daily Herald Educator of the Week.

Employee/Program Celebrations Cont.

Chad Argyle, Santaquin, honored as Principal of the Year for the State of Utah by National Distinguished Principals.

Mike Duncan, Cherry Creek, honored as Principal of the Year by Horace Mann.

Troy Peterson, Mt. Nebo, honored as Principal of the Year by Horace Mann.

DeAnn Nielsen, Principal of MMHS, awarded Utah FCCLA Administrator of the Year.

Marjie Ralph Technology Teacher at Payson High, Spotlitged by Nebo School District.

Emily Edman, Spanish & Portuguese Teacher at Spanish Fork & Springville Jr., Spotlitged honored as Outstanding Mentor Teacher at BYU.

Cherry Creek receives Lighthouse Achievement Award.

BE A Nebo Hero

Kamee Diamond, Behavior Specialist, Orchard Hills, "I have never seen such an amazing person work with such behaviorally challenged students. The patience, respect, and empathy she treats each student with is truly phenomenal." Recognized by Patti Erickson.

Alyson Norton, Speech, Orchard Hills, "Not only is she incredibly knowledgeable on all aspects of SPED compliance, she is incredibly gifted at her job as a speech and language pathologist. I've seen her work miracles with special needs students." Recognized by Patti Erickson.

Bart Thompson, Teacher, SHHS, "Bart loves his students and athletes and puts in countless hours studying for ways to improve his delivery and message for his students and athletes." Recognized by Lee Gillie.

Lynn Harmer, Athletic Director, Mt. Nebo Jr., "Lynn is the epitome of being detail-oriented, in all assignments. I have found her to be energetic, positive, and extremely conscious of the effects athletics can have on students and adults." Recognized by Troy Bohling.

Sarah Ledingham, Facilitator, Meadow Brook, "Sarah goes above and beyond and works hard to have a personal relationship with students, parents, and all employees. She is bubbly." Recognized by Bethany Brown, Alexis Christensen, Morgan Peterson, Ali Marshall, Susan Jurkatis.

If you have noticed any wonderful people or experiences that need to be recognized, please email them to iana.hiskey@nebo.edu.