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Washington School Employees Selected as White House ‘Champions of Change’

Program features individuals doing extraordinary things in their communities

AUBURN, WASHINGTON – Two local classified school employees from the Bethel School District in Spanaway, WA were selected by the White House as Champions of Change honorees.

Edward Ammons, a computer/AV technician, and Doris Hominda, a career & technical education clerk, are among twelve school support professionals from across the country selected as “School Support White House Champions of Change.” These individuals were selected by the White House for their leadership and tireless work to ensure that students in our nation’s schools receive the support and motivation they need to succeed.

In a press statement released by the White House:

“Educators, including school support professionals, often go above and beyond to meet all of the needs of students so they can achieve success both inside and outside of the classroom. The White House is excited to honor and celebrate the incredible work of school support professionals, who make up one-third of our nation’s education workforce.”

“Congratulations to Edward and Doris on being selected for this incredible honor,” said Public School Employees of Washington President Reen Doser. “Their commitment to tirelessly serving the students in their district reflects the outstanding work that Washington State’s 50,000+ classified school employees do every day. Classified employees are dedicated professionals who advocate for education and work hard to create smarter and safer schools for the children in our communities.”

The White House will honor and celebrate the work of Edward and Doris, along with 10 other outstanding classified school employees from across the country at a ceremony on Wednesday, May 11th. The event will be live streamed on the White House website at www.whitehouse.gov/live/ on Wednesday, May 11, at 2:00 PM ET. The program will feature remarks by Senior Advisor to the President Valerie Jarrett.

Follow the conversation at #WHChamps and @PSEClassified on Twitter for live tweets from the event.

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