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Pennsbury Students Recognized for Safety

(Fallsington, PA) – Congratulations to the Pennsbury-LYFT Character Award winners for March. Students Everett Djamoos, Madelyn Berman, and Adam Revness were honored at the Pennsbury School Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, March 16, 2023. Colin Estroff, a winner of January’s Caring and Service to Others LYFT award, was also honored at the meeting.

The purpose of the Pennsbury-LYFT Character Award is to recognize and reward students who embody exemplary character traits and behaviors. The character trait for March was Safety.

Colin Estroff is a sixth-grader from Charles Boehm Middle School. He was nominated by Colleen Veitz, Patricia Savidge, Deanne Billemeier, Jacqui Devlin, Kevin Perkins, and Mike Rosica. They say that Colin is a wonderful role model for his peers when it comes to concern for others. You can always count on him for a “good morning” or “hello” with a smile. Colin is respectful on a daily basis to both students and staff. When playing a game, he will make sure everyone in his group has had a turn before going again. Colin has gone out of his way to help and befriend a number of Ukrainian students who have a limited command of English. He makes sure they are included in social activities and helps them find their way to class. Colin is willing to go the extra mile when it comes to helping others, and is always respectful, helpful, and kind.

Everett Djamoos is in the first grade at Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School. He was nominated by Karen Hawk, Karen Mingroni, and Dana Hoffman. They shared that Everett is a very good

decision-maker. When making a craft, he uses scissors correctly by holding them in an appropriate manner when moving around the room. Everett takes the time to help others clean up their area in an effort to keep the classroom safe from hazards. Everett is also safe on the playground. He gives his peers suggestions on staying safe, such as making sure to touch someone lightly when playing tag and not pushing. In art class, Everett's teacher is never worried about handing him materials because she knows that he will do a great job at following all procedures to stay safe in the art room.

Madelyn Berman is a fifth-grader at Fallsington Elementary School. She was nominated by Meagan Mauck, Sherri Cohoon, Terri Sherman, Amy Murray, Kristen Cahill, Jeanne Hollopeter, Tim Behe, and Vinny DePaola. They say that Maddy goes above and beyond in her important role as a school safety officer each and every day. Not only does she greet each student with a smile and a high five in the mornings, she also makes sure everyone is safe and keeps track of the buses as they arrive. She sets a great example during fire drills by holding up a zero as a reminder of the voice level expectation, as well as displaying what safe behavior looks like during a drill. Maddy always follows the rules during lunch and recess, and can be counted on to help in any situation. Maddy has received multiple PAW Pride Awards for her exemplary behavior and ensuring the safety of her peers.

Adam Revness is a fifth-grader at Afton Elementary School. He was nominated by Cheryl Birkbeck, Kristin Slota, Laurie Gougher, Ryan Sadono, Trish Baehser, Evon Moyle, Eileen Koch, Tom Hanson, Jen Robbins, June Capasso, Jane Smith, Kaitlyn Murphy, and Ashley Hunter. They shared that Adam is a great student who models proper behavior for his peers throughout the school day. Adam always makes safe choices while using classroom supplies such as scissors, glue, lab supplies, and microscopes. When working on a science activity, Adam makes sure he is standing in a safe zone and wearing safety goggles. Adam is also aware of the importance of internet safety. He only visits approved websites and never shares his password or ID number with anyone. Adam is a SOAR Squad Member that helps younger students during dismissal time and exemplifies safe behavior for them while on the bus. He adheres to all rules and procedures without needing any reminders.

Each month, students are nominated by teachers, staff, or administration, and the winners are selected by LYFT and other community partners. LYFT is a group of volunteers, individuals, and organizations throughout the community that shares the common goal of strengthening and supporting Pennsbury students.

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