

**HONORARY SERVICE AWARD**

Congratulations to all of our Honorary Service Award recipients. They work so hard to help all of our children. Feel free to stop them to say thank you when you see them around school.



*Thanks,
Miho Noda*

Jennifer Nakano

HSA Award
Arlington Elementary

As a fourth and fourth/fifth grade combination teacher, Jennifer Nakano has gone above and beyond what is asked of her as a teacher. She is a well organized, multi-tasking, creative, loving and thoughtful teacher who puts her students and colleagues first. She manages to motivate her students in a way that is unique and caring. Mrs. Nakano is always ahead of the game, planning lessons, coming up with hands-on activities so the students are more engaged, and the re-typing of quizzes and tests so that all of the students meet the standards. She is always willing to share with her fellow teachers and she is greatly appreciated for all that she does. Overall, she is someone whom all the teachers look up to, and one to whom all of the students thoroughly love. Mrs. Jennifer Nakano is a very worthy recipient of an Honorary Service Award.

Mrs. Stephanie Ueda

HSA Award
Arlington Elementary

Many years ago Stephanie Ueda was a paid aide for the kindergarten classes. Even then she would go above and beyond the call of duty. Her position was eliminated when budget cuts had to be made but she still returns every year to help in the kindergarten classes, with the clay handprint projects, with the gifts for (Christmas, Mother's Day and Father's Day) and to coordinate and run the Thanksgiving feast. The kindergarten teachers love Mrs. Ueda. She is very organized, creative and an extremely kind and wonderful person. She cares deeply about our school and finds the time even though she now has a full time job. She has touched the lives of every family that has had a kindergarten student at Arlington for the past twelve years. It is with tremendous gratitude that Mrs. Stephanie Ueda was extended this Honorary Service Award.

Mrs. Sally Miyagishima

HSA Award
Arlington Elementary

For the past eight years Sally Miyagishima has been the driving force behind all the collection and redemption programs at Arlington. Over the years she has enrolled Arlington in programs such as:

- * The Galleria Rewards Program in which Arlington consistently comes out near the top, winning as much as \$2,500.00 per year for the school.
- * The school Box Top program where we collect "box top" labels and exchange them for playground equipment.
- * She has also done an amazing job at getting Arlington families to sign-up for the several grocery store programs for which Arlington receives quarterly checks occasionally totaling over \$1,000.00.
- * There is also the collection of used cell phones for rebate checks and ink cartridges for reams of paper.

Sally has done an over the top job at raising funds for the Arlington students in addition to getting the community involved at no monetary cost to anyone. For all of her effort it was with great pleasure that Mrs. Sally Miyagishima was awarded the PTA Honorary Service Award.

Mrs. Wendy Higa

HSA Award
Arlington Elementary

Wendy Higa helps the students and teachers at Arlington all year long. She volunteers in multiple classrooms making copies, prepping materials, helping in small groups and getting the supplies she knows are needed (even buying them with her own money). This year she took over the coordination of the kindergarten Thanksgiving feast. She is willing to help whenever she is needed at Arlington and PTA functions with a wonderful and positive attitude. Mrs. Wendy Higa is a truly deserving recipient of the Honorary Service Award.

