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Skyline High School has a very competitive Debate program. Recently, our team competed in the National Speech and Debate Association’s National Qualifier Tournament. Skyline did amazing. We had eight students qualify for nationals. As a team we also placed in many events and we took 2nd Overall in total sweepstakes points.

It is amazing how many diverse ways students get to express themselves and demonstrate their excellence here at Skyline. The students are amazing. My biggest hope is that they realize they are wonderful. Not always can we fully recognize all of the ways students are so great. Perhaps, the most amazing things students accomplish are the ways they take care of their fellow Eagles or others in our community. This is a pretty great place and this is so only because of how well you all treat one another. I recognize the myriad ways students think of others and strive to help them feel comfortable and safe at Skyline.

I continue to ask you to speak with your students about the wonderful teachers they have and to identify excellent things that are happening because of them at Skyline High School. We will do this every week. Feel free to participate as often as you see fit to recognize the great teachers we have at Skyline High School. Here is a link to the survey: https://forms.gle/mDQPY7xybBCKnpq97.

This week, we will highlight Ms. Morgan Del Grosso. Ms. Del Grosso is new to the staff at Skyline. She comes to Skyline after successfully starting her career as an English teacher in the Salt Lake City School District. She is an English teacher for Skyline as well as the leader of the effort to support ESL students. She is being recognized by the Skyline High School community:

“Ms. Del Grosso has been an amazingly supportive teacher both as a face to face teacher and as a distance teacher. She has worked with my daughter extensively. She is very open to assisting a student with different learning styles so that they are optimally learning the most that they can. She understands the impact that COVID has been having on her students and is very compassionate. Her thoughts constantly move towards what is best for the student and how she can assist them. At the change of term Ms. Del Grosso was no longer going to be teaching my daughter’s honors section, so my daughter insisted on going into a core section that Ms. Del Grosso was teaching because she likes her so much.”
“Ms. Del Grosso not only worked with my son to pass English second quarter after he was hospitalized and then had to go through the two week dismissal, but she also has made a personal connection with him that makes him excited to want to go to class and to read. Both of us really appreciated how much she cares about her student's success and mental health.”

“Ms. Del Grosso is an incredible teacher. She knows her students and is willing to work with them to succeed. She is approachable and makes the students comfortable to ask questions and participate in discussions. I can tell she really loves teaching and wants the best for her students.”

“Ms. Del Grosso makes each student feel important. This makes them try harder and achieve more. My children have so much respect for her and find her kind, encouraging manner comforting when there is so much discomfort and social pressure associated with high school and just being a teenager. Thank you!”

Congratulations Ms. Del Grosso for all that you do for students and for making Skyline excellent!

Sincerely,
Mitch Nerdin, Principal