



# SKYLINE HIGH SCHOOL

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



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School spirit is an important part of feeling connected to the school. I remember speaking with a student a few years ago about how much she loved school and how much she got out of attending and learning. She graduated with an IB diploma. She danced at a private studio and worked at her job. She did all of this with hours of study and time doing what she loved. Yet, she felt connected to her school because she felt school spirit. She told me once, during the week the school was playing the cross-town rival, how much she loved her school. The actual quote was, "I am so pumped I attend \*\*\*\*\*. I feel so much pride and am so into school. I love the school spirit I feel." I was astonished that this person was affected so much by her school and the spirit they created. It never ceases to amaze me how impactful pride in your school can have on a community, a family, and an individual student. I am so proud to be an Eagle. Skyline is a wonderful school which promotes school spirit and endeavors to offer every student a connection to their great school. GO! Skyline Eagles.

I wanted to brag a bit about two programs associated with our Skyline community. The Skyline Club Hockey Team won a State Championship. What an amazing accomplishment. We are so proud of our skating Eagles!

Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) had a statewide competition that afforded many of our students to shine. We took home many first place finishes and dozens of top ten finishes that allow our students to move on to the national competition. Way to go HOSA!

Finally, our American Sign Language (ASL) students competed in the Utah High School American Sign Language State Competition and Skyline did amazing! Not only did we take home more awards than any other high school in the state, but we also took home just over 1/3 of all the awards in the state. Nice work ASL Eagles!

Please, tell us stories of teachers who have done something that has made a difference at Skyline High School. Think about the four components of our RISE program. Teachers are working hard and doing amazing things to help students be Resilient, have Integrity, Support themselves and others, as well as achieve Excellence in its various forms. Feel free to participate as often as you see fit to recognize the great teachers we have at Skyline High School. Teachers receive an award weekly for being recognized. They love to hear their efforts are being appreciated. Here is a link to the survey: <https://forms.gle/mDQPY7xybBCKnpq97>.

This week, we will highlight Ms. M.E. Culbertson. She is the Special Education Department Chairperson. She is a dedicated teacher who takes pride in being there for her students and helping them reach high.

"Ms. Culbertson is unbelievably patient and kind with her students. I am certain she handles a host of different issues and challenges on any given day, but she's still fast to respond to any questions or concerns, always kind and understanding, and willing to offer additional lessons/help any time it's needed. Skyline is lucky to have her!"

"Ms. Culbertson has always had excellent communication and excels at making a personal connection with her students. I'm so happy I've been able to work with her the last 4 years and I'm excited that she will be assisting my other child for the next 4 years. I'm always happy to meet with her and I've never been happier with a teacher. Thank you for all that you do Ms. Culbertson! You've made a huge difference in our family happiness and we are proud of results we have seen by working with you."

Congratulations Ms. Culbertson for all that you do to help Support our Skyline Eagles!

Sincerely,  
Mitch Nerdin, Principal