Hero Awards Highlight Resilient Jeffco Students and Innovative Teachers

GOLDEN, Colo. (Nov. 15, 2017) – Jeffco Schools Foundation honored four students, three teachers, and a principal Monday evening for their stand-out work. Recipients attend or work at various schools in the district, but all share a common trait: their dedication, enthusiasm, and fortitude make them heroes.

Teachers and administrators nominate students who have caught their attention (and many times their heart) for facing challenges - from battling a serious illness to coming to school even though they spent the night in a park due to homelessness. Student awardees received scholarships to Red Rocks Community College and are eligible for additional scholarships that will fund school-related expenses like books, transportation, and fees. Teachers are selected for their innovative work and dedication to the profession.

For details about the recipients listed below, watch the videos on JPS-TV, or contact Denise Delgado (Denise.Delgado@jeffco.k12.co.us or 303-982-2261), Executive Director of the Jeffco Schools Foundation.

Students:
Rachael Black, Arvada West High School
Brenda Calderon, Jefferson Jr./Sr. High School
Jayson Garcia, Sobesky Academy
Christopher Jones, Two Roads Charter School

Teachers:
Barbara Weisiger, Coronado Elementary School
Alisha Lindsey, Bradford K-8 North
Jennifer Marquez, Wheat Ridge High School

About Jeffco Public Schools
Jeffco Public Schools has been providing educational excellence for more than 65 years. Approximately nine percent of all the K-12 students in Colorado attend a Jeffco school. Our mission is to provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future. The district serves over 86,000 students at 157 schools on 168 campuses. Find Jeffco Public Schools on Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

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