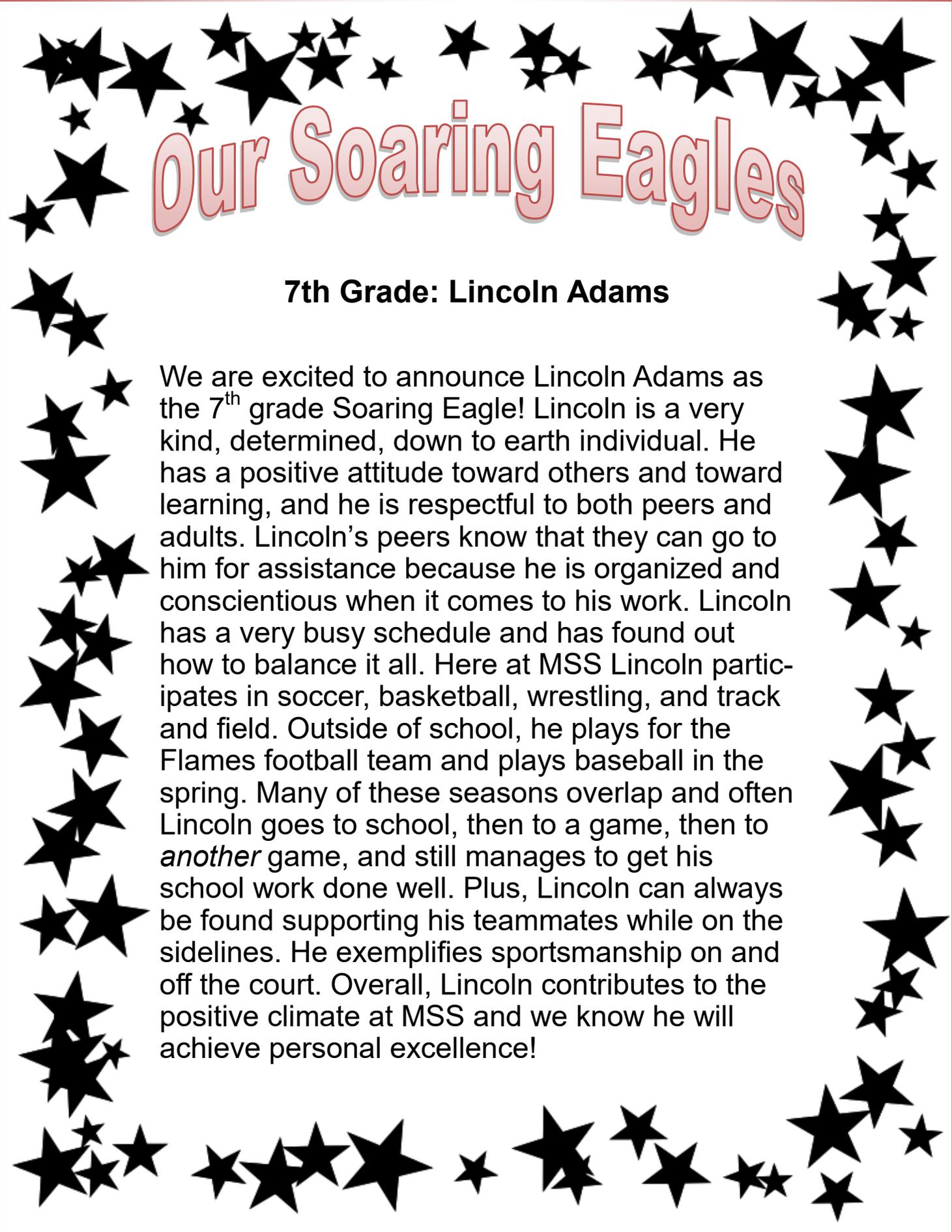


# Our Soaring Eagles

## 6th Grade : Owen Peshek

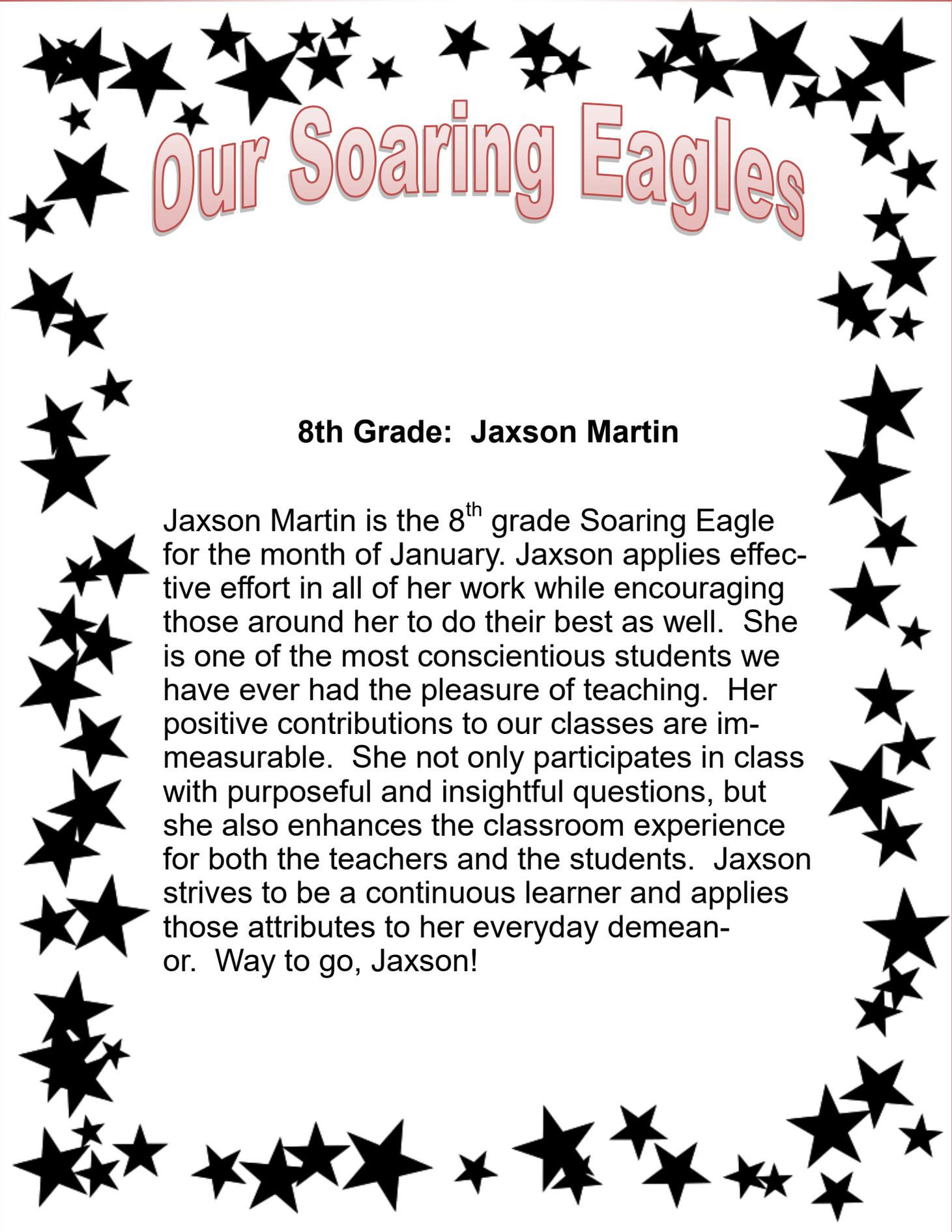
The 6<sup>th</sup> grade has chosen Owen Peshek as our Soaring Eagle for January. Owen is the type of student and person that all teachers hope to have in their classes. Owen is extremely well rounded in all aspects of school. He is a kind and caring person, who is always willing to help others. He is an extremely hard worker, always going above and beyond in his work, both in and out of the classroom. Owen is polite, friendly, and respectful to staff and students alike. He is both a strong group member and a leader that challenges the groups he is a part of to do their best. We are proud to have Owen as a member of our team and look forward to seeing him continue to do great things at MSS!



# Our Soaring Eagles

## 7th Grade: Lincoln Adams

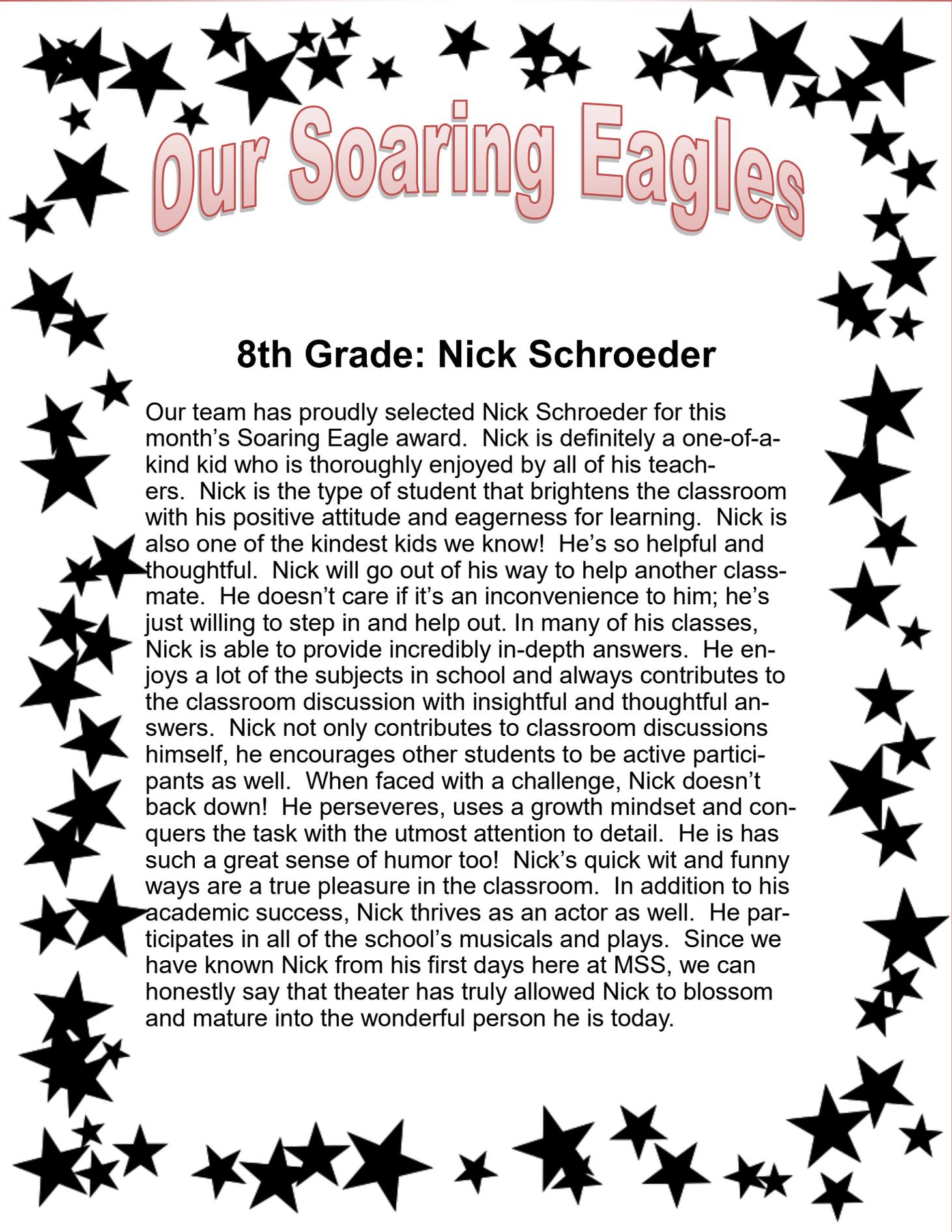
We are excited to announce Lincoln Adams as the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Soaring Eagle! Lincoln is a very kind, determined, down to earth individual. He has a positive attitude toward others and toward learning, and he is respectful to both peers and adults. Lincoln's peers know that they can go to him for assistance because he is organized and conscientious when it comes to his work. Lincoln has a very busy schedule and has found out how to balance it all. Here at MSS Lincoln participates in soccer, basketball, wrestling, and track and field. Outside of school, he plays for the Flames football team and plays baseball in the spring. Many of these seasons overlap and often Lincoln goes to school, then to a game, then to *another* game, and still manages to get his school work done well. Plus, Lincoln can always be found supporting his teammates while on the sidelines. He exemplifies sportsmanship on and off the court. Overall, Lincoln contributes to the positive climate at MSS and we know he will achieve personal excellence!



# Our Soaring Eagles

## 8th Grade: Jaxson Martin

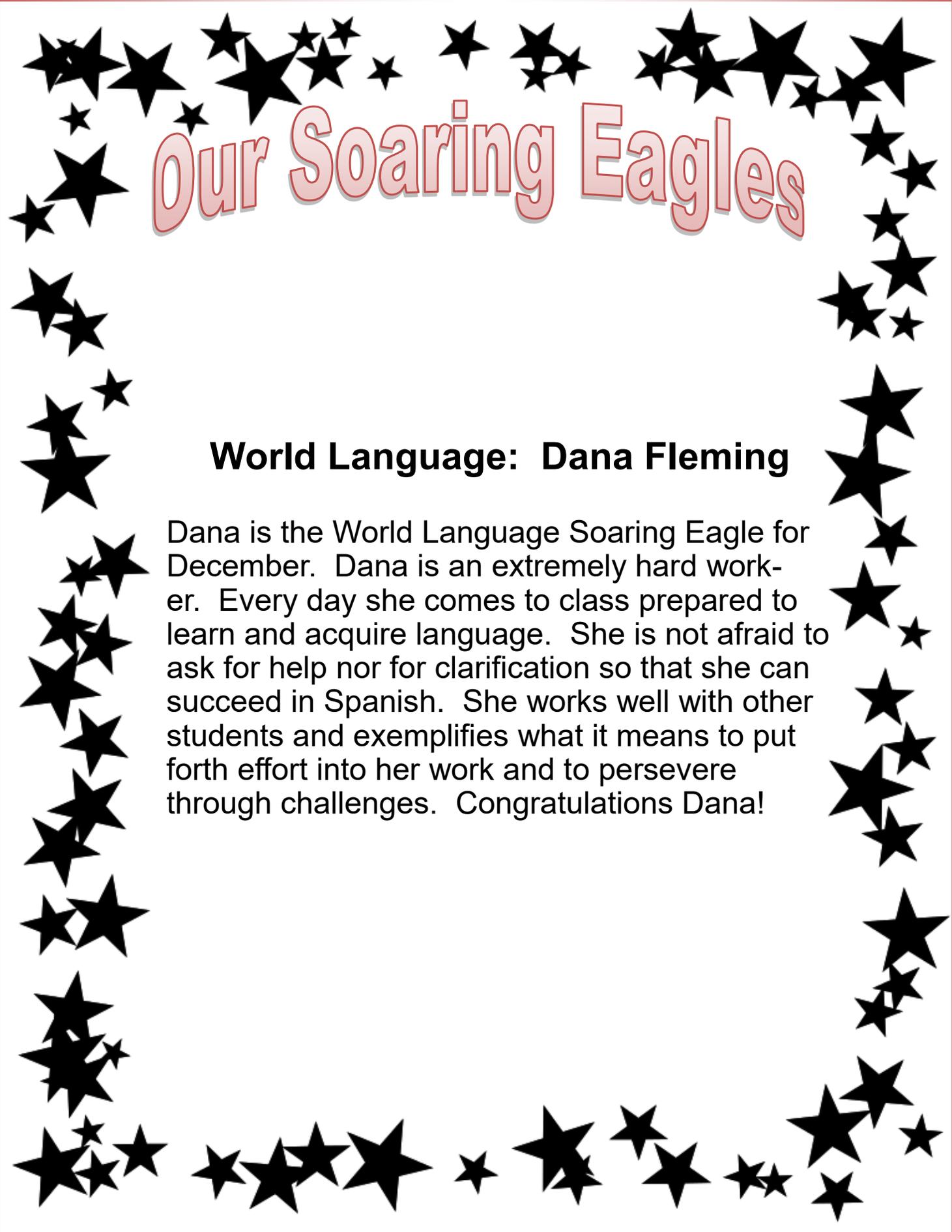
Jaxson Martin is the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Soaring Eagle for the month of January. Jaxson applies effective effort in all of her work while encouraging those around her to do their best as well. She is one of the most conscientious students we have ever had the pleasure of teaching. Her positive contributions to our classes are immeasurable. She not only participates in class with purposeful and insightful questions, but she also enhances the classroom experience for both the teachers and the students. Jaxson strives to be a continuous learner and applies those attributes to her everyday demeanor. Way to go, Jaxson!



# Our Soaring Eagles

## 8th Grade: Nick Schroeder

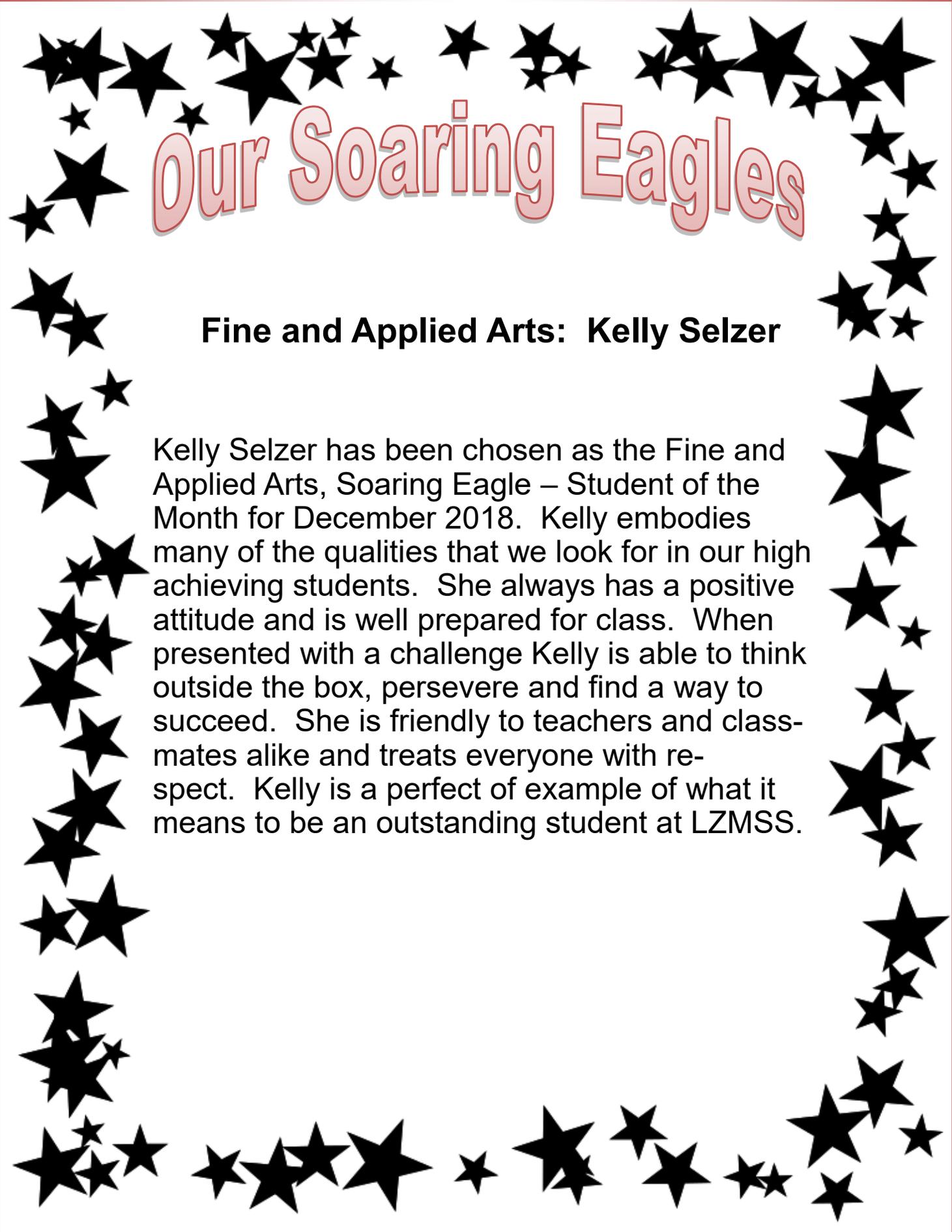
Our team has proudly selected Nick Schroeder for this month's Soaring Eagle award. Nick is definitely a one-of-a-kind kid who is thoroughly enjoyed by all of his teachers. Nick is the type of student that brightens the classroom with his positive attitude and eagerness for learning. Nick is also one of the kindest kids we know! He's so helpful and thoughtful. Nick will go out of his way to help another classmate. He doesn't care if it's an inconvenience to him; he's just willing to step in and help out. In many of his classes, Nick is able to provide incredibly in-depth answers. He enjoys a lot of the subjects in school and always contributes to the classroom discussion with insightful and thoughtful answers. Nick not only contributes to classroom discussions himself, he encourages other students to be active participants as well. When faced with a challenge, Nick doesn't back down! He perseveres, uses a growth mindset and conquers the task with the utmost attention to detail. He has such a great sense of humor too! Nick's quick wit and funny ways are a true pleasure in the classroom. In addition to his academic success, Nick thrives as an actor as well. He participates in all of the school's musicals and plays. Since we have known Nick from his first days here at MSS, we can honestly say that theater has truly allowed Nick to blossom and mature into the wonderful person he is today.



# Our Soaring Eagles

## **World Language: Dana Fleming**

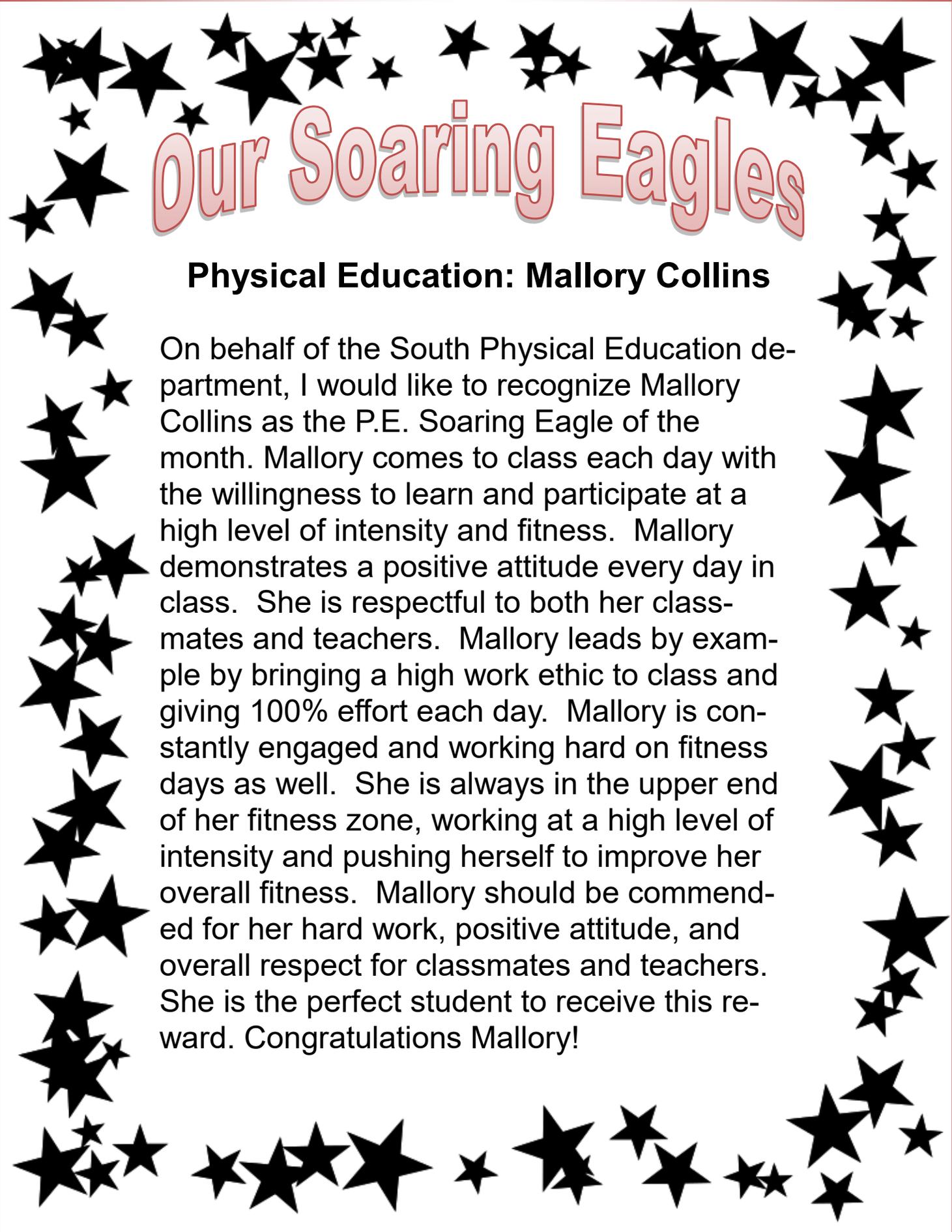
Dana is the World Language Soaring Eagle for December. Dana is an extremely hard worker. Every day she comes to class prepared to learn and acquire language. She is not afraid to ask for help nor for clarification so that she can succeed in Spanish. She works well with other students and exemplifies what it means to put forth effort into her work and to persevere through challenges. Congratulations Dana!



# Our Soaring Eagles

## **Fine and Applied Arts: Kelly Selzer**

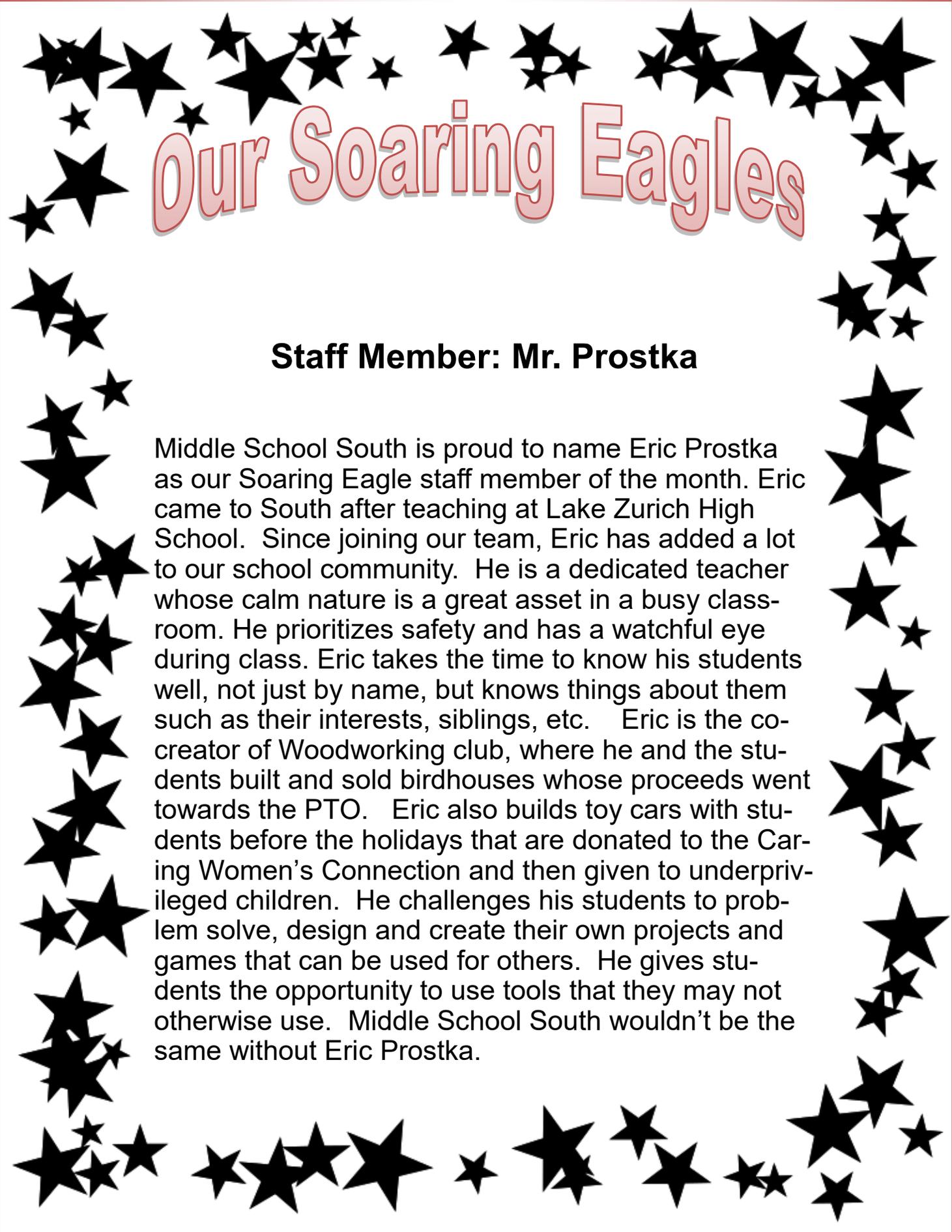
Kelly Selzer has been chosen as the Fine and Applied Arts, Soaring Eagle – Student of the Month for December 2018. Kelly embodies many of the qualities that we look for in our high achieving students. She always has a positive attitude and is well prepared for class. When presented with a challenge Kelly is able to think outside the box, persevere and find a way to succeed. She is friendly to teachers and classmates alike and treats everyone with respect. Kelly is a perfect example of what it means to be an outstanding student at LZMSS.



# Our Soaring Eagles

## **Physical Education: Mallory Collins**

On behalf of the South Physical Education department, I would like to recognize Mallory Collins as the P.E. Soaring Eagle of the month. Mallory comes to class each day with the willingness to learn and participate at a high level of intensity and fitness. Mallory demonstrates a positive attitude every day in class. She is respectful to both her classmates and teachers. Mallory leads by example by bringing a high work ethic to class and giving 100% effort each day. Mallory is constantly engaged and working hard on fitness days as well. She is always in the upper end of her fitness zone, working at a high level of intensity and pushing herself to improve her overall fitness. Mallory should be commended for her hard work, positive attitude, and overall respect for classmates and teachers. She is the perfect student to receive this reward. Congratulations Mallory!



# Our Soaring Eagles

## **Staff Member: Mr. Prostka**

Middle School South is proud to name Eric Prostka as our Soaring Eagle staff member of the month. Eric came to South after teaching at Lake Zurich High School. Since joining our team, Eric has added a lot to our school community. He is a dedicated teacher whose calm nature is a great asset in a busy classroom. He prioritizes safety and has a watchful eye during class. Eric takes the time to know his students well, not just by name, but knows things about them such as their interests, siblings, etc. Eric is the co-creator of Woodworking club, where he and the students built and sold birdhouses whose proceeds went towards the PTO. Eric also builds toy cars with students before the holidays that are donated to the Caring Women's Connection and then given to underprivileged children. He challenges his students to problem solve, design and create their own projects and games that can be used for others. He gives students the opportunity to use tools that they may not otherwise use. Middle School South wouldn't be the same without Eric Prostka.