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Gladstone linebacker wins scholar athlete award

Derek Lee, a senior at Gladstone High School, has been awarded the National Football Foundation Oregon Scholar Athlete Award.

Lee was chosen for the honor from a pool of 130 nominees from all the high schools in Oregon. 16 finalists were honored at a banquet on February 25, and Lee was one of four finalists to receive the \$1,500 college scholarship. The middle linebacker was recognized for his excellence in athletics, academics, leadership, and community service.

“Derek is a leader on and off the field,” said Coach Wayne Harris. “He does things the Gladstone way. If he sees a fellow player or a classmate struggling, he’s the first to help.”

PHOTO: Coach Wayne Harris celebrates linebacker Derek Lee’s Oregon Scholar Athlete Award.

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Clackamas Parenting Together honored for partnership with Gladstone District

Gladstone’s school board presented a Growing Great People award to Chelsea Hamilton of Clackamas Parenting Together for the agency’s work bringing parenting classes, support groups, play groups, and other resources to parents of children from birth to age 8.

The organization provides several parenting groups targeted to children’s ages and stages, providing strategies for positive discipline, language development, child safety, nutrition, potty training, and learning through play. For more information on classes, call Chelsea Hamilton at 503-496-5764.

PHOTO: Chelsea Hamilton of Clackamas Parenting Together leads several monthly parent classes at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families.

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Spring recreation classes include options for all ages

With classes for all ages, Gladstone’s community schools program offers a wide range of opportunities for to master new skills or discover a new hobby.

Adult classes range from technology use, cooking, and Spanish to organic gardening, art, and investing. Driver education is offered for teens, and youth classes include several dance and sports options. Register on-line at <http://bit.ly/2IUiDaZ> or phone 503.650.2570.

The Gladstone School District will admit students from outside district borders for the 2018-19 school year, with spots for students in kindergarten to grade 10. Applications, due April 1, are available at <http://gladstone.k12.or.us>. For more information, call Natalie Weninger at 503.496.3935.

“Gladstone schools are at the heart of our small, close-knit community,” said Superintendent Bob Stewart. “We offer an innovative, whole-child education, supporting individual needs while providing a robust array of academic opportunities.”

Outstanding programs in Gladstone Schools include:

- Kindergarten science, music, P.E., and art
- Elementary technology, music, library, and P.E.
- Culture of Care focus
- Middle school AVID college readiness program
- 5-day Outdoor School for all sixth graders
- 36 college-level courses
- 17 on-site career-technical classes

To arrange a tour, contact the school office:

Kindergarten at GCCF -- 503.496.3939

John Wetten Elementary -- 503.656.6564

Kraxberger Middle School -- 503.655.3636

Gladstone High School -- 503.655.2544