



PRESS RELEASE

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The City of Cloverdale and the Cloverdale Unified School District will be conducting recognition event and photo opportunity at the Joint City/School District Subcommittee meeting on Monday, May 15, 2017, at 5pm in Cloverdale City Hall to honor the Student Liaisons Rose French and Lupita Gonzalez. The representatives of the Cloverdale Kiwanis Club and Reuser, Inc. will be present at the recognition event too to be thanked for sponsoring the Student Liaisons.

The Student Liaison Program is a joint project of the City of Cloverdale and Cloverdale Unified School District to inspire young people to become involved in their communities and government, which is essential to the future of strong cities, states and the nation. The Student Liaison Program provides young people that are students at Cloverdale High School a voice in the City's public decision-making process. The Student Liaison receives and reviews the full City Council meeting agenda packet, and the student sits with the City Council on the dais to encourage their engagement in community issues. The student attends one City Council meeting per month, as long as it does not conflict with the student's class schedule. The student provides updates to the City Council on current projects and school activities during the meeting.

To be eligible to be a Student Liaison, the student must at least be entering the 11th grade and maintain at least a 2.0 GPA. In exchange for successfully completing the program, the student will be eligible to apply for a \$500 scholarship to a college of their choice at the time of high school graduation. The program has been very successful, and has improved the student in terms of attitude, involvement, knowledge and the skills of good citizenship.

This year the City and School District had two outstanding Student Liaison: Rose French and Lupita Gonzalez. One student attends the 1st City Council meeting each month and the other student attends the 2nd City Council meeting each month.

The City and School District really wants to thank project sponsors: The Cloverdale Kiwanis Club and Reuser Inc., for their sponsorship, each making a generous \$500 annual contribution to fund the Student Liaison college scholarships. On **Monday, May 15, 2017, at 5pm in Cloverdale City Hall**, representatives of the program sponsors, the City Council and the School District Board of Trustees will recognize, honor and thank the Student Liaisons.