

Custodians are pivotal in this time of sanitizing



By Guest Columnist
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Custodians, we appreciate YOU!! When I think about our school custodians, I think about the smiles they have for all students and faculty. When you hear their keys jangling, a sense of comfort floods over you, because you know they are coming down the hall and they are ready to work. They are the KEY to our success.

Sam Ewing, former baseball player, said, "Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all."

Our custodians turn up their sleeves each and every day! Willie Banks, Glendora Ragsdale and Cole Buskirk are invaluable to the success at PeIES.

Thank you for turning up! Thank you for rolling up your sleeves. And thank you for working hard, even when some of us turn up our noses.

When most people think about getting a school ready to open for the year, they think about the hard work of teachers and administrators. But custodians are the pivotal players in preparing a school for a new year.

They are also key to our health during this increased time of sanitizing. The

safety and health of students and faculty is their top priority. They come



Custodians Willie Banks, Glendora Ragsdale and Cole Buskirk are invaluable to the success at PeIES according to the principal. Pictured (l to r) are: Banks, Ragsdale and Buskirk.

in early and stay late in order for the building to be cleaned and ready for the next day of learning opportunities. The

faculty can be assured that germs have been tackled with our custodians on the job.

"Our custodians are important to our school. I appreciate all the effort they put into cleaning the school. All of them are friendly and helpful throughout the day! I am glad they are part of our tribe!!"

-Bethany Tucker, fifth-grade student

"Hardworking staff that have a genuine love for all of our students and teachers. They are working endlessly to keep all of us safe."

-Shelia Sharplin, PeIES Music Teacher

"Our custodians are really nice, and they work hard. I've seen Mr. Banks bringing food and giving it to the teachers just to be nice!"

-Chase Parker, fifth-grade student

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