

Laura, Kate, Libby, Michael and John,

I would like to thank you and in turn ask you to please pass on a thank you to the students who assisted in Saturday's paint and clean up at James Simmons School.

We had a fantastic turn out, almost 40, and they did a superb job of transforming the selected site. They washed the walls, taped, primed, and painted the building, swept the walk, cleaned the mats, picked up trash on the grounds and playground, took down old wiring (not electrical) from the walk way overhangs with wire cutters while balancing on ladders, pulled weeds, dismantled 50 yards of chain bolted to pillars, and then cleaned up all the brushes and containers, folded up the tarps, pulled the painters tape from the windows and doors, hosed down the drive and finally put all the supplies back into the school. They accomplished this all in less than 4 hours.

I was very impressed. They worked as a team who had pulled this job off before. They were their own supervisors, it was a nice reflection of their leadership skills. I was very proud of them all.

The Principal and Assistant Principal were in attendance and were overwhelmed with the students' performance and generosity.

Our students are walking billboards for practicing community involvement and volunteerism.

Thanks again.

Jane