

# The Center Point Pulse

## Special Recognition:



Kim Patten

April 14 is National Gardening Day. We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to our horticulture teacher, Kim Patten, for all the hard work and dedication that she has shown towards our program. Her expertise in teaching the subject has been invaluable in helping our students develop a love and appreciation for nature. It is evident that Kim has a passion for this field, and her enthusiasm has inspired many students in the Horticulture Vocation. We are grateful for Kim's tireless efforts in ensuring that our students receive a well-rounded education that includes practical and hands-on learning experiences. Thank you for being an exceptional instructor who goes above and beyond to educate and encourage our students.

## Directors Corner:

April is finally here, and Spring is in full swing! As we near the end of the school year, it's important to stay focused and finish strong. This month, the Center Point students will be focused on important topics related to Social and Emotional Learning (SEL). Responsible Decision Making is an essential skill that helps students make informed choices that positively impact their lives and those around them. Stress Awareness is also vital for understanding the various stresses students may experience and learning how to manage them effectively. Finally, acceptance plays a crucial role in fostering kindness, empathy, and respect for individual differences in our community. Let's continue to support our students' growth in these areas and promote a positive school culture.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

April 4	Adventure Trip
April 14	Reward Trip
April 17-21	Closed

## Success Story

On March 21, Center Point celebrated community day. We invited friends, family, and members of the students' support organizations to join us for a fun-filled morning of Bingo! Students had the opportunity to win prizes such as raffle baskets and apparel from the Center Point #BBQ store. Themes for the baskets included self-care, fitness, games, movie night, snacks, and arts and crafts. We also enjoyed delicious refreshments such as brownies, coffee cake muffins, and other beverages prepared by our chef, Dave Crowther. Thank you to everyone who joined us for community day. We hope to see you again soon!



## Build up... or be quiet!

Diakon Youth Services has made available a variety of shirts and sweatshirts that reflect one of our program emphases on being positive: #BBQ, or Build Up or Be Quiet! These shirts were provided over the last few years for students and staff members and were a big hit, with others more recently asking how they could obtain one.



As a result, we have arranged for Artistic Imprints to provide these items, which will be shipped directly to you at no extra cost. Details can be found at the storefront link below. The best thing is that all proceeds directly benefit Diakon Youth Services programs!

[http://artisticimprints.3dcartstores.com/Diakon-BBQ\\_c\\_811.html](http://artisticimprints.3dcartstores.com/Diakon-BBQ_c_811.html)



**SEL Theme: Responsible Decision Making**  
**Awareness Month: World Autism Acceptance & Stress Awareness**  
**Focus: Acceptance, Decision Making, and Stress**

