## Tualatin FBLA Honored by March of Dimes

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On September 24th, the TuHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Chapter was honored with an award from the Portland offices of the March of Dimes. The TuHS FBLA chapter raised, through numerous school and community based efforts, \$1800 - the most money raised and donated by any FBLA chapter in the state.

Rebecca Bell, Community Service Director, visited the school and met with this year's officer team and presented an award for last year's efforts (2013-14) of funds raised towards premature babies and Doernbecher Hospital.

TuHS FBLA has been a longtime supporter of March of Dimes. In the past 3 years, the chapter has now raised over \$5800 towards the same cause. They spread awareness and raise money at many community events like the Pumpkin Regatta by "selling" paper pumpkins. For a donation, people can write their name on the pumpkins that will be displayed at Tualatin High School.

Erin Brohoski, the club's fundraising officer, has high hopes for this year, "All of our efforts are going to be focused on the March of Dimes. We are looking to beat our last year's total of \$1800, which is definitely attainable."

The club is excited for another year of fundraising for March of Dimes with new goals set, and an officer team ready to implement several original fundraising ideas.

Once again, keep an eye out for FBLA booths at local Tualatin events this fall raising money for March of Dimes with their unmistakable paper pumpkins.

To learn more about the TuHS FBLA Chapter, please visit <u>www.TualatinFBLA.com</u>.



This year's officer and adviser, Jim McCaffrey, with Rebe from March of Dimes. Back row from left to right: Erin B Elijah Raffo, Anthony Nguyen, Jim McCaffrey, and Mueller. Front row left to right: Lindsey Turner, Ma Morrow, Rebecca Bell, Colette Petersen, and Mallory Re



This is Mackenzie Morrow, this year's FBLA pr accepting the award from Rebecca Bell, the M Dimes Community Director.

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