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What a lovely way to start the month – this morning hundreds of smiling children with beautiful flowers to show appreciation for our amazing Somerset staff. Thank you so much for your kindness.

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Spring is a busy planning time in schools. Thank you for sending in the parent input forms to help us with class placement. We will be working this month to begin building balanced classes. We expect to add an additional classroom next year, and with that we will have a new portable. We have not yet determined which classes will be in portables, but we try to place our littlest Superstars (kindergarten and first grade) inside the main building. This summer we will also be getting a new synthetic turf field in place of our sand field.

[Congratulations to Ms. Myrick](#)

Ms. Myrick, one of our super Somerset fourth grade teachers, has been presented the Civic Educator award. Ms. Myrick was nominated by Representative Patty Kuderer's aide, Jennifer Fay, and Representative Tana Senn. Ms. Myrick is the facilitator of Somerset's Civics club for interested fourth and fifth grade students.

<http://www.bsd405.org/2016/04/somerset-teacher-named-outstanding-civic-educator/>

[Smarter Balanced Assessments](#)

We have begun assessments and are so impressed with the students' determination. We have high expectations for all our Somerset Superstars on this national test. You can learn more about this test for third through fifth graders by visiting <http://wa.portal.airast.org/>.

[Odds and Ends \(Important Dates and Links\)](#)

- Friday, May 6, Bellevue Schools Foundation Luncheon
- **No school** Friday, May 27 and Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day – Enjoy the 4-day weekend!
- Our **school handbook** contains important information that families are responsible for understanding. It is available on our school website <http://www.bsd405.org/somerset/> and is a helpful overview of the school and district expectations. If you have any questions about the content, please feel free to ask. (<http://www.bsd405.org/somerset/2015/09/somerset-community-handbook/>).
- Please visit the **PTSA webpage** to learn about many more fun and interesting school events. (<http://somersetptsa.org/Event/MonthCalendar>)

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