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The Pittsburgh Pirates, Pirates Charities, Chevron and The Grable Foundation to Again Recognize Region's "All Star" Teachers During The 2020 Season

Chevron, the Pittsburgh Pirates, Pirates Charities and The Grable Foundation are teaming up once again during the 2020 baseball season with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Intermediate Unit One, and Kidsburgh to recognize outstanding teachers from southwestern Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia. Teachers will have the opportunity to be nominated for their exceptional classroom efforts that have positively impacted Pre-K to 12th-grade students.

Beginning now and running through November 15, online nominations are being accepted for the "All Star Teachers" Program at pirates.com/allstarteachers. The organizations will select 18 winning teachers who will receive a \$1,000 classroom grant, a personalized Pirates jersey, and on-field recognition during a Pirates game at PNC Park during the 2020 season.

Teachers from Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Greene, Washington and Westmoreland counties in Pennsylvania and Brooke, Hancock, Ohio and Marshall Counties in West Virginia are eligible to be nominated. Of the 18 winning teachers, six elementary, six middle school, and six high school teachers will be selected.

"This region has incredible teachers who do amazing things in and outside the classroom that so often go unnoticed," remarked Stacy Olson, president of Chevron Appalachia. "As a company committed to expanding innovative learning approaches in the classroom, Chevron is proud to partner to recognize and encourage those truly outstanding teachers who are making a difference in the lives of students."

A committee comprised of members of the contributing organizations will consider the candidates and choose the winning teachers. Each winning teacher will also be surprised in their classroom in Spring 2020.

"Teachers are truly the heroes in our communities," said Gregg Behr, executive director of The Grable Foundation. "Every single day, teachers are remaking learning – creating relevant, engaging, and equitable experiences for our youth so that they might flourish, no matter what. They deserve to be recognized as all-stars." Online nominations are being accepted until November 15. Please visit pirates.com/allstarteachers to nominate a teacher.

Program Details:

Winning teachers will receive a "Classroom Surprise" which may include:

- A grant of \$1,000
- A personalized jersey in the teacher's name
- Game tickets

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Winning teachers will also be recognized:

- On field during a pre-game celebration
- On the videoboard during an in-game recognition celebration
- In the Pirates First Pitch magazine
- On Pirates social media

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About Pirates Charities

Pirates Charities, the philanthropic arm of the Pittsburgh Pirates, is a 501(c)(3) organization committed to strengthening the community by supporting organizations and programs aimed at improving the lives of children and adults in the Greater Pittsburgh region. Pirates Charities places a special emphasis on supporting youth programs focused on health, fitness and education by developing partnerships with those who share in our mission. In addition to helping youth, Pirates Charities aids military families and veteran organizations and offers support to those in our community who are fighting cancer. To learn more about the Pirates positive impact in the community, visit pirates.com/community.

About Chevron

Chevron Corporation is one of the world's leading integrated energy companies. Through its subsidiaries that conduct business worldwide, the company is involved in virtually every facet of the energy industry. Chevron's Appalachia operations are based in Coraopolis, Pa. More information about Chevron is available at chevron.com.

About the Grable Foundation

The Grable Foundation is guided by its mission to help children and youth become independent, caring, contributing members of society by supporting programs critical to a child's successful development. With a focus on southwestern Pennsylvania, the foundation seeks out nonprofit partners who share its commitment to making the region the best place to be a kid. More information is available at grable.org.

About Intermediate Unit 1

Intermediate Unit 1 is a regional educational agency that strives to provide educational support to the students, parents, educators, school administrators, and the communities throughout southwestern Pennsylvania.

About The Allegheny Intermediate Unit

The Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) is a regional public education agency that provides specialized services to Allegheny County's 42 suburban school districts and its vocational-technical schools, charter schools and nonpublic schools. In addition, the AIU serves as a liaison between those entities and the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The AIU operates three schools for exceptional children, 11 family centers and numerous other programs for children, adults and families. Among the largest of Pennsylvania's 29 intermediate units, the AIU employs more than 1,000 educators, administrators and support staff, with a budget exceeding \$160 annually.

About Kidsburgh.org

Kidsburgh.org is an online resource focusing on the people and ideas making Pittsburgh a better place to raise kids. Read about everything from creative learning and health, to advocacy on a wide range of issues, to guides for fun things to do in Pittsburgh for families. Kidsburgh also features a robust calendar that lists kid-friendly events throughout the region and a directory of child-serving organizations.