

Springfield Elks Lodge 1560 Supports Union Street School's Americanism Flag Program

The Springfield Elk's Lodge was invited to Union Street School to recognize and celebrate with teachers & students who promote and encourage honoring our American flag through their Flag program.

Americanism Chair, Jackie Driscoll presented to the incoming 3rd graders their uniforms, a T-shirt that was designed in 2023 by the USS flag guard students, which were donated to the program by the Elks Lodge.

The flag program was established at Union Street School in 2000 when Jerry Weeks (former employee) organized a team of students to learn about the flag, flag etiquette, and to raise and lower the flag each school day. In 2025, Megan Geiselhart (school counselor) took over as the advisor for this student driven program from Jan Rounds (RMS school counselor). Students selected into this program exemplify the characteristics of responsibility, respect, kindness, and working together. The nine 4th grade students will begin to train their 3rd grade replacements to continue the program into the next school year.



Megan Geiselhart (L) with the 3rd & 4th Grade Union Street School Flag Guards