

## **Springfield Elks Lodge 1560 Recognizes Mateo Fuentes – March Student of the Month**

The Student of the Month program of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks recognizes young men and women for achievements in school and community life, hobbies, athletics, club, and community service. The Springfield Elks Lodge is pleased to recognize Mateo Fuentes, a junior student at Springfield High School, as the Elks Student of the Month for March.



Mateo, who is the son of Abel Fuentes and Sarah Taylor of Springfield, is a very responsible student; he knows what he needs to do to be successful in school and will go out of his way to make sure he is reaching his goals. This shows often when he asks to assign places for Flex instead of just leaving because he can. He is dedicated to his learning and takes ownership over his education. Mateo is a student you can trust to be an active participant and engaged in class work. These attributes also show outside of the classroom. Mateo is passionate about varsity soccer and a leader on the field. He takes advantage of opportunities to play by doing pick-up soccer and recruiting teammates to join. He also volunteers to help with youth soccer clinics.

In addition, to soccer, Mateo plays Varsity basketball, Varsity Track & Field winning the 400m Relay Division 3 his sophomore year, participates in the broadcast club, the student athlete leadership team for the VPA, and is a member of the national honor society.

We are pleased to honor Mateo with the March student of the month award.