

HEART OF gold

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DAVID GRAF

David Graf, a teacher at our Woodland Park High School, is a teacher of great importance. He connects with his students and helps motivate them to their highest potential. After asking multiple students, it is clear his influence and love has reached far and deep. As Madelyn Mayer '21 has expressed, "He is sweet and kind, and not at all intimidating." David has guided his students onto paths they never even considered. Alaska Woods '21 explained, "He's made me decide what I wanted to do with my life. It may sound cliché, but he has genuinely changed my life." He has affected the entire student body with his calm and caring heart. He supports his students til the end, and his love for Woodland Park High School pounds like the beating hearts of his students. Ethan Makowsy '21 shared that, "Mr. Graf has by far been the teacher who has most affected me. When I was having a bad day, he wouldn't say 'get your work done' he would say, 'Let me help you'. He has always helped and supported me." David, is a one of a kind man, with a big heart and a "cool uncle vibe," Emma Hembrough '21.



JEAN LANGENFELD

Jean Langenfeld a lunchlady, who has worked in our lunch room for three years, has done nothing but share a smile. Even through a pandemic, she shares her kindness and joy. Hundreds of faces a day, she manages to remember one by one. Even years later, the blurs of faces stay into focus and she greets them with a heartwarming smile. Even though COVID has made it more difficult to hear and communicate, she shares her humble and kind heart with the student body. Hardworking and resilient, Jean comes to school with a contagious love for life and an attitude to turn frowns upside down. Every day comes with a new challenge, but the same love and appreciation for Woodland Park High School. And we all want to thank Jean for her hardworking and caring self, and for making Woodland park an even better school and community.



ANDREW PAPPADAKIS

Andrew Pappadakis is a unique and honest teacher that has plagued the social studies department for many years. His thundering laugh pounds through the halls, and his truthful and realistic view of life echos through the minds of his students. He has had 2 of his own children walk these halls, but still he remains here to share his wisdom and guidance to the students that flow into his classes. He shares his ideals to his peers, and his truthful words pierce the ideals and molds that society has made of his students. He shows them that you can be whoever you want to be, and to grow into the greatest possible person you can be. He wishes that by showing a new and developing world to his students, he can prepare them for their future. But even in his classroom you can see the remnants of his past students and the impact it had on both Pappadakis's life and his past students'.

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