## **Citizen Finalist**

## **Courtney Lindsey**

Courtney Lindsey was nominated for SASEE by the PTO at Forest Hills Elementary, who define her role

as "Volunteer Extraordinaire". As described by the PTO president, Courtney's "level of volunteerism in the Forest Hills PTO is above and beyond any other parent's level of dedication in the Forest Hills PTO... we'd like to recognize the cumulative impact of her time volunteering steadily since she joined Forest Hills as a parent in 2015." Some examples of Courtney's current and previous projects include Wreath Sale, End of the Year Celebration, Holiday Scrip Program, Spring Fun Run, Teacher & Staff Appreciation, Falcon Outreach, and Field Day.

Courtney Lindsey also leads the 3 Bees Garden, the community garden at Forest Hills. Students and teachers use the garden as part of their curriculum to learn about life cycles, plantings, healthy eating, and commitment. She helps run the garden club, guides the yearly planting and harvest parties, plans work parties to help with the maintenance, and organizes the yearly plant sale to help fund the garden. The past two years Courtney has been instrumental in producing and editing the Forest Hills yearbook. Courtney has also volunteered on several district wide committees, including offering her professional expertise in the SAC, and her ideas for the kindergarten steering committee.

Courtney is an occupational therapist at Emanuel hospital, helping those most in need get back to daily living. Her passion for helping others has spilled over into the numerous volunteer opportunities here in Lake Oswego, where she lives with her husband and three daughters.

Courtney says she plans "to continue doing as much I can to help both the schools and community by volunteering my time and expertise to fuel my passion for helping others."