

Students spread love

CMS students make special notes on holiday

Nearly 600 lockers were covered

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CLINTON - Last week's Valentine's Day holiday surely saw the traditional date nights and romance between couples that has come to be expected on Feb.

14. Sixth and seventh grade students at Clinton Middle School, however, came to school that morning and received something unexpected.

Homemade Valentine's Day notes covered the students' lockers; while a service project was ongoing that aimed to put notes on every eighth grade locker, the lower two grades weren't to be included.

That is, until a group of five CMS students decided to take it upon themselves to include the grade levels.

In all, the group of Megen Herch, Madisen Herch, Tegan Evans, Kirstyn Henningsen and Paige Carpenter covered nearly 600 lockers with homemade cards, each with one of two different messages, as well as Valentine's Day candy.

"Originally, nobody but Mr. (Principal Dan) Boyd and Mrs. (Associate Principal Deb) Sass knew about the locker notes," Megen Herch said.

"It was fun to see the kids go to their lockers and find the note and the 'Dum Dum' sucker. I think that everybody was pretty happy about it and they were all really surprised." With a little assistance from Herch's parents Pete and Michelle, the students were able to assemble the notes.

Actually putting them on the lockers was a whole different animal, taking roughly two hours to complete, according to Megen Herch.

While the students have been able to feel good about brightening the day of about 600 of their CMS peers, they're also hoping to show their friends that being selfless will always have its benefits.

"Our hope is that the students see that sometimes it feels better to give than to get, and that to see other people happy because of something you did can make you happy, too," Megen Herch said.



Clinton Middle School students (front row, from left) Megen Herch and Tegan Evans; and (back row, from left) Kirstyn Henningsen, Paige Carpenter, Madisen Herch recently made homemade Valentine's Day cards for sixth-and seventh-graders at the middle school.

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