Every day in Bay District Schools, we see extraordinary dedication from individuals who go above and beyond to support our students. As National Custodian Appreciation Day approaches on October 2, we want to shine a spotlight on our custodial staff and the lasting difference they make on our campuses.

Custodians are far more than the people who keep our buildings clean. They are essential members of our BDS Team of Teams, ensuring that our schools are safe, welcoming, and ready for learning. Their commitment often stretches beyond the school day, with many working late into the night to make sure classrooms, hallways, and common areas are prepared for students the next morning. Their steady presence, sometimes behind the scenes but always impactful, helps create the supportive environment every child deserves.

Beyond their daily responsibilities, many of our custodians also build meaningful connections with students and staff, serving as mentors, role models, and trusted adults. Their quiet acts of kindness and encouragement inspire us all.

As October 2 approaches, we encourage our entire community to take a moment to thank our custodians for their dedication. A simple word of gratitude, a card, or a small gesture of appreciation can go a long way toward reminding them how much they are valued.

Custodians are the unsung heroes of Bay District Schools. Their work contributes directly to the safe, clean, and positive learning environments that allow our students to thrive. And as we continue working together to put the "A" back in Bay, their efforts remind us that every role matters and every contribution strengthens our schools.

Let's celebrate them not just on Custodian Appreciation Day, but every day, for the vital role they play in making Bay District Schools a special place to learn and grow.