

RHS student wins web site design contest for Bend pet non-profit

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Redmond, Oregon - In a district with many exceptional students and teachers, another shining star is distinguished. Taylor Woodraska, a senior at Redmond High School (RHS), has earned honor and recognition by creating a user-friendly and visually appealing online presence for a local non-profit organization - The Bend Spay and Neuter Project.

RHS senior Taylor Woodraska's web site design was selected from over 50 entries by the Bend Spay and Neuter Project. (www.BendSnip.org) As part of a culminating class project in Taylor's winter term Intro to Web Communications, Taylor participated in a contest to redesign the Bend Spay and Neuter Project's web site. Approximately 55 students participated in the challenge, and Taylor's site design was chosen as the winning entry by the staff at Bend Spay and Neuter Project. Taylor's winning entry is up and running and can be viewed at www.bendsnip.org.

"I just want to say that the new web site is fabulous," expresses Sara Dice, director and founder of The Bend Spay and Neuter Project. "Thank you all so much. We look so professional! And, most importantly, the heart of the clinic really comes through - it's really amazing." Both staff and patrons who have already viewed Taylor's work have expressed much delight in seeing the talents of youth and the connection between school and community.

The Bendsnip web site challenge project, like many other class projects, demonstrates the hands-on learning and specific connection between the classroom and working industry that can be found in Redmond High School technology courses. Students are continuously involved in projects for local business, community, as well as the district and individual schools.

Each project offers additional learning opportunities and the Bendsnip site design was no exception. Students learned about the role of non-profits in a community and their reliance on caring and giving individuals to volunteer and help fund their cause. Additionally, students learned about Euthanasia, the number one killer of pets in our country and how to responsibly address this nationwide issue.

“These projects are the backbone of our curriculum and provide students with the experience industry demands,” states Richard Carr, instructor for the communications program at RHS. “Our communications program provides services in graphic design, multimedia, web design, and video production and we welcome community opportunities.”

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