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Ephrata High School Student Receives National Service Award

Ephrata High School Senior Nashalee Morales was recently named a recipient of the *Peter R. Marsh Foundation Student Silent Servant Award*. The national award recognizes excellence in community volunteerism and celebrates students' giving of their time and talent to improve the lives of others. Nashalee received a \$500 cash award and joins a select group of high school students across the nation who have also received this award.

Nashalee was nominated by Ephrata High School Principal Dr. Scott Galen for her ongoing service in the school and community and the example she sets among her peers. She is involved in a variety of service organizations, including Link Crew, GEARS, Mini-THON®, and Friends of Rachel.



- *Link Crew: This group of students works closely with guidance counselors to help incoming freshmen and new students transition to Ephrata High School.*
- *GEARS (Getting Ephrata Active, Rejuvenated, & Strong): Nashalee's involvement in this organization helps to promote health and wellness Districtwide and within the community.*
- *Mini-THON®: Nashalee works with her classmates and teachers to promote opportunities for students to be empowered as leaders in the fight to conquer childhood cancer.*
- *Friends of Rachel: This group focuses on empowering youth to be positive role models not only with their friends and in school, but also in the community.*

"Nashalee is always willing to go the extra mile to help someone feel comfortable and get connected," shared EHS Guidance Counselor Theresa Davies.

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