

Student Recipients



Ava Brenden

Ava Brenden founded the Backpack Club at Lake Oswego High School. The mission of the club is to combat food insecurity among elementary students. The club has partnered with a national nonprofit, Blessings in a Backpack, to maximize resources and outreach. To finance their efforts, the club organized a successful fundraiser which, through sponsorships, donations, and participant registrations raised more than \$8,000. There are currently 47 student-members who have packed more than 500 food packs this year, going directly to schools.



Alicia Li

Alicia Li is the co-founder of the Asian American Student Union at Lake Oswego High School, where she was also one of the organizers of the Asian Cultural Festival last April. Alicia serves as the director of communication for the Lake Oswego High School environmental club, the Green Team. In her junior year, she was a student representative to the Lake Oswego School Board. She was also an organizer for the 2022 Winter Break Read-a-Thon fundraiser, which raised \$18,657 in three weeks and engaged over 300 elementary school students in reading 3,043 books. This year, she's the co-editor-in-chief of the school yearbook. Outside of school, Alicia is also a Taekwondo instructor, teaching more than 300 students.