## Kiwanis Honors Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center Students Jacob Torres and Ruben Patino October 15, 2019



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized two outstanding students from the Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center. Accompanying the students was their teacher, Mr. Andrew Jahan who is celebrating his 13<sup>th</sup> year at the Learning Center.

**Jacob** is 16 years old and has four brothers and sisters. He enjoys football, art, and sleeping. Jacob said, "The best things about the Learning Center are not feeling stressed about going to school, everyone is always communicating and doing fun things, the teachers are helpful and fun to be around and they always keep you on track". The best thing that ever happened was being born. If he could change one thing, it would be to make things easy for people to get help. If he could build one thing, it would be a big homeless shelter. Personal goals are to do better in school, get his credits, and to become healthier.

**Ruben** is 16 years old and has four brothers and sisters. He enjoys all sports, working at Popeyes Chicken, and video gaming. Ruben said, "The best things about the Learning Center is the decent food, it's quiet, and they help me to set goals". If he could change things, it would be to affect climate change positively and become taller. If he could build one thing, it would be a food bank to store food for the homeless instead of wasting it. Personal goals are to become a plumber, to graduate high school and become financially stable.

Each week the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Temple City High School, and the Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center. Kiwanis treats students and their teacher to lunch. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, a bumper sticker, and a photograph of them receiving their award. Their photo and story will be posted on the Temple City Unified School District website and on their Facebook page.

Temple City Kiwanis has been serving our community since 1939. Members are dedicated men and women who desire to make a difference in the quality of life for the youth of Temple City. Kiwanis meets at 12:00 noon each Tuesday at North Wood's Inn Restaurant. To find out more about Kiwanis, please contact Jerry Jambazian at (626) 643-9460. You can also visit their website at <a href="https://www.templecitykiwanis.org">www.templecitykiwanis.org</a>.