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Redmond High School Receives \$6,000 Donation of Acoustic Guitars

Redmond, Ore – Redmond High School received a donation of 12 new [Bedell](#) acoustic guitars from Two Old Hippies in Bend, Ore.

The guitars were a gift to support the music program and the newly formed Acoustic Guitar Club at Redmond High School. Two Old Hippies, a division of [Breedlove Guitars](#), donated the acoustic guitars valued more than \$6,000 thanks to the efforts of Dan Kernion, RHS Manufacturing Teacher and former employee of Breedlove.

Redmond High's Guitar Club offers students the opportunity to learn how to play the guitar, perform cover songs and will eventually learn to write their own music. The club is open to all high school students, regardless of skill level. Students are allowed to check out the guitars so that they may take them home, practice and share their talents with the community.

"On behalf of the students who are now playing or will be playing these guitars, I want to thank the Two Old Hippies for providing us with top quality instruments," shared Vince Giannini, RHS Acoustic Guitar Club Advisor. "Many students did not have access to an acoustic guitar; they are now able to practice and create music on their own. I hope to see the students build their skills as singers and songwriters and be sharing their work with the community soon."

The Guitar Club is seeking volunteers to teach, mentor or perform for the club as well as donations of equipment such as guitars, mandolins, banjos or instructional books. The Guitar Club students will be performing prelude music during the RHS Holiday Concert on Thursday, December 14.

For questions or more information about the RHS Guitar Club, please contact Vince Giannini at 541-923-4800.

About Redmond School District

Located in Redmond, Ore, the Redmond School District serves more than 7,000 students from Redmond, Alfalfa, Crooked River Ranch, Eagle Crest, Terrebonne and Tumalo. The district operates five K-5 elementary schools; two K-8 community schools, two middle schools, one charter school, one educational center and two comprehensive high schools. Its mission is to ensure rigorous and relevant instruction which leads to mastery and the development of productive citizens. Learn more about RSD online at www.redmond.k12.or.us.

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