



Burke Co. Exchange Club HONORS STUDENT LEADERS

Burke County Exchange Club members honored eight local students with the club's Youth of the Month awards during the first semester this school term. At left, club president Suzanne Sharkey is pictured with honorees from Edmund Burke Academy, Hayley Chandler, Lane Christian and Abby Taylor Harrison, and EBA assistant headmaster Ray Miller. At right, Sharkey is pictured with Burke County High School Youth of the Month recipients Caroline Graham, Untorrey Thomas and Sarah Wilson and guidance counselor Regina Jordan.



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EPD presents grant funds to school system

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Going green earned some green for Burke County Public Schools' bus fleet.

The school system was awarded a \$183,750 grant to purchase propane school buses as part of an effort to decrease diesel fuel consumption through a program administered by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division.

Pamela Tinley Earl, a program manager for the EPD, said these kinds of grants provide a proactive, voluntary way for school systems to reduce diesel

emissions from school buses.

"Since 2008, Burke County has retrofitted 33 school buses, and now they've purchased 5 new propane buses," Earl said. "Burke County's school system has always been out front and very responsive in applying for grants and quickly implementing them. Burke recognizes the need to improve air quality inside the bus cabins for the students, particularly for those students who ride on the buses for long periods of time. Burke County is a leader in the state for improving air quality for school children."

ter, presents a check to BOE chairman and transportation director Leonard Hill.

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