

## TREES FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

The District has been giving spruce or pine trees to 6<sup>th</sup> graders each spring for as long as any old-timer can remember. Some years the trees are distributed in conjunction with a field day (which includes a session on trees), and other years staff visit classrooms with a presentation on tree planting and care. Each year we hear a new “6<sup>th</sup> grade tree” story – *so-and-so’s tree is more than 20 feet tall, or my daughter’s tree had to be removed because it had reached the power lines, so she used the branches for decorations at her wedding. Even my brother’s tree was dug up by the dog!* provides perfect teaching opportunity.