## Heather's Groves

## By Dorothy Atwood

Our school superintendent, Dr. Heather Beck sparked inspiration. In her family, they gave her...

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Trees instead of stuff
Trees to offset emissions
Trees for habitat and beauty

In 2016,,, Baby trees are planted by children in Lake Oswego's schoolyards; tended and watered with care.

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In spring, bright green leaves unfurl.
In summer, welcoming shade beckons.
In fall, leaves crunch beneath many feet.
In winter, low light filters through intertwined branches.

In 2050,,, Groves are throughout the city. Heather's Groves.

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Trees helping our future.

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