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WRPS wins Employer of the Year honors



WRPS President and CEO John Eschenberg accepted an award from the Association of Washington Business on Nov. 18 in Olympia.

A state-wide organization that advocates for businesses in Washington has recognized WRPS as its 2021 Employer of the Year.

It's one of nine awards the Association of Washington Business (AWB) handed out in Olympia on Nov. 18. WRPS President and CEO John Eschenberg was on hand to receive the award, as well as a second plaque for the Veterans and Families award, for which WRPS was a finalist.

The Employer of the Year award recognizes an employer that has implemented innovative job retention, creation, benefits and/or compensation plans that foster a thriving work environment. The group highlighted WRPS' nationally recognized safety record, robust employee benefits package, strong internship program and commitment to hiring veterans, in addition to its efforts to support charitable and business initiatives in the community.

"We all talk about how this has been a rough two years for our workforce due to this international pandemic and the changes that have been put in place to promote the safety of our employees," Eschenberg said after accepting the Employer of the Year award. "Moving our tank waste treatment mission forward is certainly a priority. But it doesn't preclude the need to keep our employees safe."

The AWB includes more than 7,900 members representing 700,000 employees across the state.