Lake Washington School District

Connections



May 26, 2017

Community invited to groundbreaking for the project to rebuild and enlarge Juanita High School

Community members, families, students and staff are invited to attend a groundbreaking ceremony for the project to rebuild and enlarge Juanita High School. The event is planned for **Tuesday**, **June 6**, **at 2:45 p.m. at the school**. The ceremony will take place between the main campus and the fieldhouse.

Dr. Traci Pierce, Superintendent, will speak at the event. School Board members and district leaders will also attend.

Integrus Architecture designed the building. Plans incorporated feedback from staff, parents and community members. <u>Read more about the Juanita High School groundbreaking</u>.

Community invited to groundbreaking events for new schools in Redmond Ridge

Community members are invited to attend groundbreaking ceremonies for a new elementary school in Redmond Ridge East and a new middle school in Redmond Ridge. Both events will take place on Wednesday, June 7.

New Elementary School in Redmond Ridge East Wednesday, June 7, 2 p.m. 9595 Eastridge Drive N.E., Redmond Ridge East

New Middle School in Redmond Ridge Wednesday, June 7, 3 p.m. 9900 Redmond Ridge Drive N.E. (Redmond Ridge Drive NE and NE 99th Place), Redmond

The new schools are funded by a \$398 million-dollar bond measure approved by voters in April 2016. By June, 2017, work will be underway on five of the eight school projects funded by the bond. <u>Read</u> <u>more about the groundbreaking events for new schools in Redmond Ridge</u>.

Review Required HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Lessons for Grades 5-12 *Possible materials for adoption on display at Resource Center May 23-June 5*

Lake Washington School District invites the public to review and comment on HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Lessons being considered for grades 5-12. These materials are being considered for adoption. If approved by the district's Board of Directors, the materials will be available for use in the 2017-18 school year. The lessons being recommended are:

KNOW HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Lessons developed by Washington State's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) for grades 5-8

• Family Life and Sexual Health Education Lessons developed by King County Public Health for grades 9-12

Read more about required HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Lessons for grades 5-12.

Attention fifth-grade parents: New Tdap vaccination requirements

A letter was sent out recently to the parents of fifth grader students, reminding them that to enter the sixth grade, they must show proof of one dose of the Tdap vaccine (to help prevent pertussis/whooping cough) for all children 11 years and older. The deadline to turn in this form is June 2, 2017. The form is also available on the <u>district website</u>. If you have any questions, please contact your school nurse.

Looking for a new job? We're hiring!

LWSD needs substitute bus drivers, substitute custodians and seasonal laborers. Job descriptions are available on the <u>district website</u>, under "Employment" then "Classified Positions." Bus drivers earn \$23.78 per hour. Learn more about why driving a bus for LWSD is a great job. Substitute custodians earn \$16.78 per hour and summer grounds seasonal laborers earn \$16.12 per hour. Pass this information along to your friends and neighbors.

Ground broken for new elementary in North Redmond

Ground was broken on May 24 for the first of three new schools in Lake Washington School District. These schools are part of the district's overall Building on Success program. The new buildings are aimed at helping the district address its rapidly growing enrollment. The district is now the third largest district in the state, with just over 29,000 students.

"This is a very exciting time in Lake Washington School District," noted Dr. Traci Pierce, superintendent, who addressed the crowd. "We are growing. We are thriving. We are succeeding and we are building on that success."

Dr. Pierce introduced Karen Barker, who will serve as the school's first principal when it opens in September 2018. Barker is currently the principal of Dickinson Elementary School and Explorer Community School, also in Redmond.



School News

Wall of woven fabric welcomes Sandburg/Discovery families for art walk

Students braided and wove more than 1,000 pieces of fabric into the chain link fence at **Sandburg Elementary** and **Discovery Community School** before their art walk on May 18. They worked on the art installation throughout the week, mostly during lunch recess. The project allowed them to explore the process of weaving on a large scale and experiment with different weaving techniques.

Read more about the weaving project at Sandburg/Discovery.

LWHS student wins first place at international DECA competition

A **Lake Washington High School** student convincingly portrayed an accountant in April during DECA's International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, Calif. Junior **Samuel Dorsey** won first place and \$1,000 in the Accounting Application Series category. Participants must explain concepts such as balance sheets and cash flow statements during a role-play scenario. This is Dorsey's first year participating in DECA. <u>Read more about the International DECA competition</u>.



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