

Connections



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A message from the Superintendent, Dr. Traci Pierce

"Success for Every Student" #proud2bLWSD

The 2013-18 Lake Washington Strategic Plan, in defining our strategic goal: Ensure Academic Success for Every Student, states the following:

We are responsible for the futures of all students. No matter their background, home situation, or family resources. We believe that every student can learn and achieve at high levels, and it our responsibility to help each and every student to learn, grow, and be challenged to do their very best each and every day in our schools. This is what ensuring academic success for every student is all about.

Our commitment to success for every student is rooted in the ideals of both equity and excellence. Our district and our schools continue to focus efforts toward high achievement for all. Read more.

Community Immigration Forum

A Community Immigration Forum will be held on Wednesday, March 22, from 6–8 p.m. at the Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center (16600 NE 80th Street, Redmond, WA). The City of Redmond, the Eastside Legal Assistance Program, and Lake Washington School District are partnering to host this event to help educate and inform our community. Attendees can learn more about complex issues of immigration from legal experts in the field. All are invited.

Support beyond-basic education at Lake Washington Schools Foundation Spring events

The Lake Washington Schools Foundation will host its 12th annual luncheon and 2nd annual breakfast at the Redmond Town Center Marriott Hotel. Emmy nominated journalist Roberta Romero will host this year's luncheon on March 28 and renowned sportscaster Tony Ventrella will host this year's breakfast on March 30. Guest speakers include LWSD superintendent Dr. Traci Pierce and LWSD students and teachers who will highlight innovative programs and educational opportunities made possible by the foundation.

Please join us to support a beyond-basic public education for all students in Lake Washington School District. Register to attend or donate to support the event at www.lwsf.org or call 425-936-1414 to be a table captain, corporate partner, or volunteer to help make the events a success.

New Juanita HS plan revisions based on

community feedback, get high marks

On March 1, more than 130 Juanita High School (JHS) parents, neighbors, community members and students attended an open house on the plan to rebuild and enlarge the school. Attendees viewed new design and construction plans. Project team members explained schedules and important elements of the project.



The plans were revised based on clear staff and community feedback. Key changes from September 2016 include a plan to phase construction, minimize the number of portables on site and increase the seating capacity of the theater. Construction will begin earlier than initially anticipated, in summer 2017. Completion is scheduled for summer 2020. That is one year earlier than originally planned. Read more and see site plans, building phasing and images of the new school.

Reminder: Advanced Placement (AP) Exam registration period begins soon

Advanced Placement (AP) Exam registration started on March 6, and runs through Friday, March 17. Students will receive registration materials in their AP classes. If your student is enrolled in an AP class, please remind him/her to sign up by the end of the last lunch on March 17 to be able to take the exam. AP Examination Dates are May 1-19. For specific testing information, visit the College Board AP Central website.

Reminder: Ready Start Preschool Program accepting applications in March

Lake Washington School District's Ready Start Preschool Program will start accepting tuition based applications for the 2017-18 school year beginning March 21 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Registration takes place at the Resource Center (16250 NE 74th Street, Redmond). If more children are registered for any one location or session (a.m. or p.m.) than we have availability, a lottery for each Preschool building will be held March 27 to determine the students in those classes. Parents will be notified of results by the end of April. After March 21, applications will be accepted at the Resource Center on any school day from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Read more.

School News

Oh, the Places You'll Go! Schools celebrate literacy on Read Across America Day

The second day of March – Dr. Seuss's birthday – is also Read Across America Day. To celebrate, schools around the district hosted literacy events and read Dr. Seuss books in class. Read more.



LWHS students' composting/recycling bill would change the way schools manage waste

After starting a composting program at Lake Washington High School last year, students in Michael Dawson's AP Government class wanted to do more. On Feb. 14, about 55 students traveled to Olympia. Four of the students spoke in front of the Senate Education Committee in support of their bill, which would require public schools to offer composting and recycling. It would also require the

state to provide schools with compost pickup. Read more.

Quick Links: LWSD Website | Upcoming Events | Peachjar e-flyers



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