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Lake Washington School District Connections

August 21, 2015

First day on the first... A note from Dr. Pierce

As the start of the 2015-16 school year approaches, I want to extend a warm welcome to all of our new and returning families and students. Our district is proud to serve our communities and the entire Lake Washington School District team is excited for a new year of helping every student to learn, grow, and achieve! Whether you are returning to the district for a new year or starting your first year with the district, we are honored to serve you and your students. Read more.

Important health information reminders

Before school starts on September 1, don't forget:

- Families must show **proof of immunization** or certification of exemption for each child to attend school. **Students cannot start school without the required documentation**. <u>Read more.</u>
- If your child has a **life-threatening health condition**, you must supply the required emergency medication, health care provider orders, an individual health plan, and any necessary supplies **on or before the first day of school**. Until those items are in place, your child will not be able to attend school. <u>Read more</u>.

Online student information verification process available

You can now verify your student's information online through Family Access. Verify and change student demographic information, including health information and emergency contacts. <u>Read more</u>.

Please note: The online system asks for your home phone number. This should be your primary contact number. It does not need to be a landline phone.

Peachjar to deliver community electronic flyers

On August 24, LWSD will launch a new electronic flyer (or eflyer) system called "Peachjar." Peachjar distributes eflyers from nonprofit organizations as well as from schools and school-related organizations. Parents will get direct emails with new eflyers. Eflyers will also be posted on the <u>Peachjar page</u> on school websites. You will receive a welcome email from Peachjar that gives instructions on how to manage flyer delivery preferences.

State funds All-Day Kindergarten at four schools this fall *Expands to all schools in 2016-17*

Four Lake Washington School District (LWSD) elementary schools will provide tuition-free all-day kindergarten to its students this fall thanks to new state funding. The four schools are **Einstein Elementary** (Redmond), **Frost Elementary** (Kirkland), **Muir Elementary** (Kirkland) and **Rose Hill Elementary** (Kirkland). <u>Read more</u>.

Lake Washington students succeed with new state tests

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Summer School students soar with special poetry lesson Nationally known poet Janet Wong visited John Muir Elementary summer school students.



<u>A different kind of summer school</u> Summer school isn't just for students who need some extra help. It can also help students get a head start on a career with the <u>Washington Network for</u> <u>Innovative Careers</u> (WANIC).



Nancy Pfaff honored with City University President's Award for Excellence in Teaching Pfaff, a teacher in the Quest Pull-Out program held at Blackwell Elementary was awarded with this year's President's Award for Excellence

Students all over Washington faced new, more rigorous state tests covering new, higher state standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics last spring. Results in Lake Washington School District (LWSD) showed that district students continue to perform well on state standardized tests. <u>Read more</u>.

Want a full calendar for the 2015-2016 school year?

Printable versions of the district calendar are available on the district website. You can also access the <u>Tandem Online Calendar</u> for school-specific events.

- One-page sheet calendar
- Page-per-month calendar

in Teaching from City University.

Quick Links

Peachjar e-flyers

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