



September 25, 2015



Lake Washington School District SAT scores increase in all categories

Lake Washington School District (LWSD) students scored on average 11 points higher on the SAT reading and writing tests and nine points higher on the SAT math test from the previous year, contrary to falling state and national trends. LWSD students continue to score well above state and national averages on all three tests. [Read more.](#)

Reminder: School Facilities Task Force developed recommendations, asking for input

The Long-Term Facilities Task Force has developed a set of draft recommendations to help the district with the issues of overcrowding and aging facilities. They are asking for feedback from the community. The recommendations address classroom capacity issues, cost reduction, efficient use of space and other issues. They have launched an [online survey](#) to gather input on the recommendations. [Read more.](#)

You can attend a **regional meeting** to learn more and provide input on the draft recommendations:

- Mon., September 28, **Redmond Learning Community Meeting**, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Redmond High School, 17272 NE 104th St., Redmond
- Wed., September 30, **Eastlake Learning Community Meeting**, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Eastlake High School, 400 228th Ave. NE, Sammamish
- **District-wide Town Hall Meeting**, Wednesday, October 7, 6:00-8:30 p.m., Rose Hill Middle School, 13505 NE 75th St., Redmond

Safety Spotlight: New locks keep students and staff safe Over the summer, Lake Washington School District's Support Services staff added simple locks on classroom doors at 40 different school sites. Why the change? At many of our schools, classroom doors could only be locked from the outside. In a true lockdown situation, that would mean a teacher would have to go into the hallway to lock their classroom door. The new locks can be locked from the inside of the classroom. Locks on the inside of the classroom door remove a potential safety risk.

The funds to add these locks came from the capital projects levy that was approved by voters. Thank you to our community for helping keep staff and students safe.

LWSD honored for sustainability, savings

[McKinstry](#), a firm that specializes in energy and facility services, announced that Lake Washington School District (LWSD) will be honored as a Champion of Sustainability during the Sept. 27 Seahawks game at CenturyLink Field. Since 2006, the district has saved \$9 million in utility costs while it has grown in the number of students it serves and the number of square feet in its buildings. Electricity use has fallen by 20 percent and natural gas consumption is down 30 percent. Conservation-minded students also helped trim the district's waste disposal budget - calculated per student - by 42 percent. [Read more.](#)

Reminder: Quest Parent Information Nights next week: Applications for 2016-17 available October 1

Parents interested in learning more about programs for highly capable students

School News



JHS Teacher named Symetra Hero in the Classroom

On Friday, September 18, representatives from the Seattle Seahawks and Symetra honored Juanita High School chemistry teacher **Michael Bailey** during a surprise classroom presentation. As part of the award, Bailey will be recognized on the field at CenturyLink field at the Seahawks home opener this Sunday, September 27. He also received a \$1,000 donation to JHS in his name, to be used for books and classroom supplies.

Long-Term Facilities Task Force Regional Meetings

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Task Force Town Hall**
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and the application process are encouraged to attend the appropriate Parent Information Night.

- **Grades 1-4 Quest Parent Information Night** is for parents of students currently enrolled in grades one through four. **Thursday, October 1**, at 4:30 p.m., repeated at 7 p.m., Performing Arts Center, Lake Washington High School, 12033 N.E. 80th St., Kirkland.*
- **Middle School Quest Parent/Student Information Night, Tuesday, September 29** at 7 p.m., Performing Arts Center, Lake Washington High School, 12033 N.E. 80th St., Kirkland.

**Please note: Parents only need to attend one of the two sessions and attendance is not required to apply.*

Applications will be available on the LWSD website on Thursday, October 1 at 8 a.m. Applications are due on Friday, October 30 at 4 p.m. **Late applications will not be accepted.** For more information, visit the [Accelerated Programs](#) section of the district website.

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