



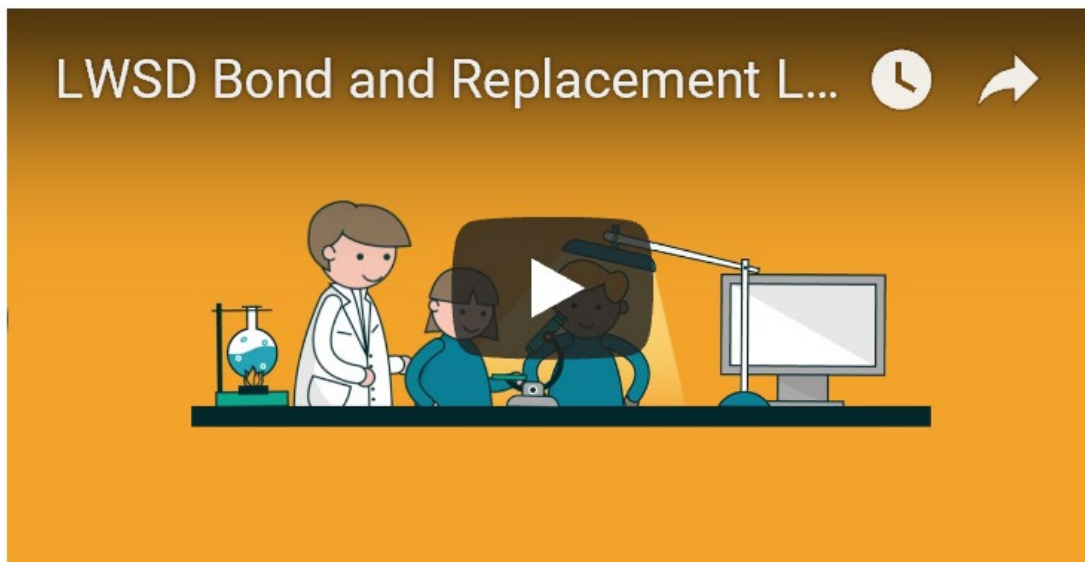
# Connections



January 30, 2018

## Remember to Vote: February 13 is Election Day

Lake Washington School District has three measures on the February 13 ballot: a bond and two replacement levies to fund important needs not funded by the state. Learn more about these measures here: [lwsd.org/bond-levies](http://lwsd.org/bond-levies). Or watch this 1:49 animated video about the measures: <https://youtu.be/HH46Cvy16os>.



### Learning-Focused

#### **Replacement Capital Projects Levy focuses on maintaining and improving technology for students and staff**

Providing students and staff with access to technology for learning is part of the Replacement Capital Projects Levy on the February 13 ballot. This levy funds critical technology needs not funded by the state, including:

- Technology Infrastructure and Support
- Equipment



- Instructional Software & Support Systems
- Business & Technology Systems
- Technology Training & Professional Development

[Check out the first part of our Technology Series: Teaching & Learning Part I](#) for more information on how our teachers are effectively integrating technology skills in their curriculum. [You can learn more about the Replacement Capital Projects levy here.](#)

### **LWSD moves to seven-period high school schedule for 2018-19 school year**

For two years, the College and Career Readiness Task Force, consisting of staff and parents, studied ways to expand options for high school students, to help them meet the state's new 24 credit graduation requirement. Students in the class of 2019 and beyond will need 24 credits to earn a high school diploma. The Task Force reviewed several scheduling options and models, all with the aim of increasing flexibility for every student. In April 2017, having taken staff, student, and parent survey feedback into consideration, the Task Force recommended adding instructional time to the high school day to create a seven-period high school schedule.

The seven-period high school day offers equity and opportunity for all students. Students have more opportunities for:

- **Exploration** – taking different or additional elective courses
- **Acceleration** – taking courses such as Advanced Placement (AP), dual credit opportunities like Running Start, or College in the High School
- **Remediation** – getting additional support or making up credit

Our high schools are planning for the transition to seven-period schedules to take effect with the start of the 2018-19 school year.

To learn more about the seven-period high school schedule, visit the [Seven-Period High School Schedule webpage](#). This page includes a new video and Frequently Asked Questions about the seven-period day.











## **Building on Success**

### **LWSD continues making progress on 2016 bond projects**

Lake Washington School District continues to make progress on the eight projects that were included in the April 2016 bond passed by voters. These projects were proposed by the 63-member citizens Long-Term Facilities Task Force in 2015. Click on the thumbnail to see the progress of each project. You can also visit the [individual project pages](#) for updates, or sign up to receive project updates.

# 2016 Bond Projects

Explorer Community School: Fall 2017	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
New Elementary School - North Redmond: Fall 2018	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
New Elementary School - Redmond Ridge East: Fall 2018	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
New Middle School - Redmond Ridge: Fall 2019	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
Juanita High School: Fall 2020 (1 Year Earlier)	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
Kirk Elementary: Fall 2019	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
Mead Elementary: Fall 2019	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		
Old Redmond School House: Fall 2019	1 Project Development	2 Concept Design	3 Schematic Design	4 Design Development	5 Construction Documents & Permitting	6 Construction	7 Occupancy		

## Important Reminders & Updates

### Thank you, LWSD School Board

#### January is School Board Recognition Month

The month of January is School Board Recognition Month in Washington state. The goal of this recognition is to honor school board members as outstanding elected officials and champions for public education. "School directors are directly accountable to the citizens of their districts and regions, serving as a vital link between members of the community and their schools," says Governor Inslee in his proclamation. [Read the full proclamation here.](#) Interested in learning more about what our Board of Directors does? You can see [videos of every school board meeting](#) on the district website.

### Registration window for Advanced Placement (AP) exams opens soon

The registration window for Advanced Placement (AP) exams is a little earlier this year than in past years. Registration will take place from February 21 through March 7. AP exam dates are May 7 to May 18 with late AP exam dates from May 23 to 25. 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 1 p.m. on March 7 to be able to take the exam. For more information, visit the [College Board AP Central website.](#)

### Reminder: Student portal replaced with new "For Students & Families" page

On January 12, LWSD turned off the student portal in favor of using the new "For Students and Families" page on the website. This new page links students to all the tools and resources they need that were previously found through the student portal. Visit the "[For Students and Families](#)" webpage to check out the new design.

### Reminder: Tell your neighbors and friends: Kindergarten Registration for 2018-19 starts February 1

If you live in Lake Washington School District (LWSD) and your child will be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2018, it is time to register him or her for kindergarten. Registration takes place at your neighborhood school, beginning **February 1 from 1-7 p.m.** and continuing during regular school hours through the beginning of the 2018-19 school year.

While registration will continue throughout the school year and summer, parents are highly encouraged to register students as soon as possible. Doing so helps ensure class sizes are balanced and adequate staff are hired in time for the new school year.

Attending one of the new elementary schools next fall? Registration for the two new schools will take place on Wednesday, February 7 from 3:30-7 p.m. at the following locations:

- **North Redmond:** Redmond Middle School (10055 166th Avenue NE, Redmond, WA 98052)
- **Redmond Ridge East:** Rosa Parks Elementary (22845 NE Cedar Park Crescent, Redmond, WA 98053)

[Visit the Kindergarten Registration webpage for more information.](#)

## Lake Washington Schools Open Enrollment is February 1-28, 2018

### ***Most schools closed to those outside their area***

Lake Washington School District holds an open enrollment period once each year for parents who want their children to attend a school other than their neighborhood school. Parents may apply between February 1-28 for a change to the school assignment for the 2018-19 school year for their student in grades 1-12. This option is also known as an In-District Variance.

This open enrollment option only applies to neighborhood schools that have space available. The list of schools that are closed to students outside their neighborhood will be available on the district website on January 31, [available here](#). Schools are closed if current and projected enrollment shows that students who live within their attendance boundary will fill the school's capacity. District enrollment has increased rapidly over the last seven years. It is likely that very few schools will be on the list of open schools. [Learn more on the In-District Variance webpage.](#)

## Upcoming deadlines: Alternative options for high school PE credit

To earn a high school diploma, students must earn 1.5 fitness credits. There may be special circumstances where a student may have an alternative option to meet this fitness-credit requirement. These alternative options are available beginning in the student's 11th grade school year.

One option, the Fitness Knowledge Assessment, will be given on February 28. For information on this option and how to sign up, go to [the district website](#). Students who want to use a different option, the Fitness Plan, will need to submit their plan by February 28. [The Fitness Plan directions are available on the district website.](#)

## Reminder: In-Person voter registration deadline: February 5

The in-person deadline to register to vote for the February 13 election is **Monday, February 5**. Visit the [Secretary of State website](#) for more information on how to register.



## Work With Us

### LWSD Educator & Administrator Job Fair – Coming soon!

Lake Washington School District will hold an [Educator & Administrator Job Fair](#) on Saturday,

February 3 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Lake Washington School District Resource Center (16250 NE 74th Street, Redmond, WA 98052). Learn more on the [Employment page of the LWSD website](#). LWSD will also be at many career events throughout the region. [See our schedule](#).

### Want a new job for the new year? We're hiring!

LWSD needs bus drivers, para educators and instructional assistants. Job descriptions are available on the [district website](#). Bus drivers earn \$24.80 per hour. [Learn more about why driving a bus for LWSD is a great job](#). Please share this information with your friends and neighbors.

### Sodexo/Nutrition Services is hiring

Are you looking for a way to get involved in LWSD? Would you like a part-time job that gives you the flexibility to be with your kids before and after school? Shifts that range from two hours to eight hours are available, helping serve students breakfast and lunch. Starting pay depends on experience. If interested, contact Nutrition Services at 425-936-1385.

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## Student & Staff Success

### Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. celebrated in all LWSD schools



This month, schools around Lake Washington School District (LWSD) celebrated the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Students learned about and honored his nonviolent contributions to the Civil Rights Movement.

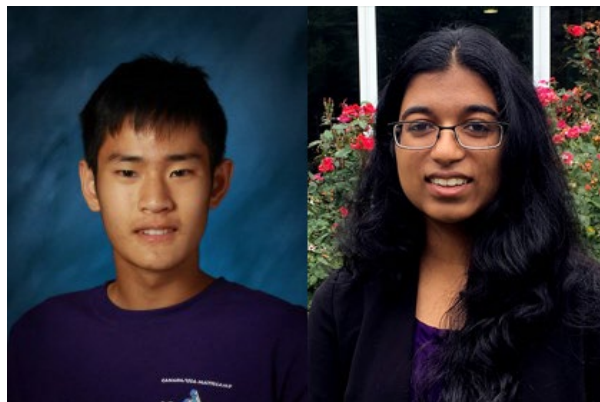
[Learn more about how various LWSD schools celebrated Dr.](#)

[King.](#)

### Research lands two students in Top 300 Regeneron Science Talent Search

Two LWSD seniors were named Top 300 Scholars in the 77th [Regeneron Science Talent Search](#). The students were selected from 1,818 entries.

August Chen, Redmond High School, and Neha Hulkund, Tesla STEM High School, will each receive \$2,000. Each of their schools will also receive \$2,000 to use toward STEM-related activities. [Learn more about these Regeneron Science Talent Search scholars.](#)



[Read more student and staff success stories here.](#)

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Quick Links: [LWSD Website](#) | [Upcoming Events](#) | [Peachjar Community eFlyers](#)

