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## **CONGRATS TO GRADS!**

he West Bloomfield School District is thrilled to celebrate the 409 seniors from West Bloomfield High School and the 42 seniors from Oakland Early College as the district's graduating Class of 2021

While the traditional graduation celebrations for these students may look a little different in 2021, we congratulate these students on all their tremendous



accomplishments during their time in the West Bloomfield School District. We wish them well in their future endeavors and know they will find success and happiness.

## **STEAM LAKERS ONLINE APPLICATIONS DUE JULY 15**

he West Bloomfield School District is pleased to offer two additional opportunities to join Team WB for the 2021-22 school year. The offerings are open to residents of Oakland County.

- To apply for the West Bloomfield High
- School STEAM program for students in grades 9-12, visit www.wbsd.org/steam To apply for Lakers Online in grades K-12, the district's 100 percent online instructional offering, visit www.wbsd.org/lakersonlineenrollment

## ELECTION 2021: A NOTE FROM DR. HILL

n behalf of the Board of Education, I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to the voters of the West Bloomfield School District on the successful passage of our May 4th ballot proposal, with nearly 75 percent of the votes being cast in favor. Approval of our school district's non-homestead millage proposal allows the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on non-homestead property, which was originally approved by voters in 2014.

This will generate \$691,000 to the General Fund beginning next school year, with approximately \$8.2 million or about 12 percent of the West Bloomfield School District's operating budget throughout the remainder of the millage.

I am grateful to the parents, students, and other members of the community who helped us inform residents about the millage proposal. Thank you for helping to make the greater West Bloomfield area an even better place to live and raise a family.

Again, we extend our thanks to the people residing in the West Bloomfield School District for supporting their schools.

### **ENROLL IN KINDERGARTEN NOW!**

e are excited to welcome the Class of 2034 to kindergarten this fall for the start of their educational journey in the West Bloomfield School District. Please contact our helpful enrollment team this summer to ensure your child is ready for our first day of school on August 30,

2021. Visit www.wbsd.org/enrollment to learn more about the enrollment process as well as www.wbsd.org/kindergarten on what your little learner will experience in his or her first year in our district.

We can't wait to see you on Team WB!



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# Thank You, EAM WB!



s we conclude one of the most challenging years in the history of public education, I express my deep appreciation, gratitude and THANK YOU to all of the people who make up TEAM WB! It is only because we are all dedicated to the health, safety, social/emotional well-being and academic progress of the children and young adults we serve that we are concluding this year on a positive note! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

TEAM WB is fantastic, but exactly who are the team members that make our success possible?

You've often heard the phrase, "It takes a village to raise a child". In the West Bloomfield School District, TEAM WB is our village. It's fitting to conclude our year by recognizing the many contributions of each member of our educational village for the value they continually add to our work with all students.

First, parents/guardians and families take center stage. Without their trust, support and confidence in what we do, we wouldn't exist. Our partnership with families and our relationships with parents and their children (our students) make everything we do possible. Particularly during this COVID-19 pandemic year, these relationships have been key to students' continued learning, growth and development. Thank you for your engagement, understanding and encouragement as we've navigated the challenges of a most unusual year.

The frontline TEAM WB members are all those staff who



come in daily contact with our students. Thank you to our educators (including teachers, specialists, speech and language pathologists, guidance counselors, social workers, early childhood staff, adult education staff, psychologists) for the caring, dedication, resilience, adaptability and fortitude you've demonstrated throughout the year. Whether via Zoom, in-person on video recording, you've taught, challenged, inspired, and cared for the students we collectively serve.

> Everyone across the nation has a renewed sense of appreciation for the difficulty and intricacies involved in effective teaching. Teaching, as a profession, is not as simple as people once thought.

Another frontline group of people, our paraeducators, provide vital supports for the students and teachers they serve. Their personal attention, care guidance and welcoming smiles greet students daily as paraeducators meet the individual needs of students. Thank you for the positive differences you

make with the students you serve!

Frontline leadership and effective management set the tone for effective schools. TEAM WB is fortunate to have a talented, dedicated and caring group of principals and assistant principals, supported by excellent secretaries and support staff. This team sees that teachers, students and parents are served in a way that enables all to be successful. The principal/assistant principals collaborate with other team members to set the school's vision and develop the strategies



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and plans to achieve that vision. The school secretaries are instrumental in assisting the day-to-day managing of school operations. I recently read a definition of a school secretary as someone who solves a problem you did not know you had in a way you do not understand – See also wizard, magician. This succinctly defines the school secretary's value.

Another collection of frontline team members includes custodians, nutrition staff, transportation staff, crossing guards and EduStaff Employees (substitutes). We thank each of the people serving in these vitally important roles. They provide support services that are key to the health, safety and wellbeing of our students and staff. During this year of COVID,



these services have been particularly important as we've implemented strategies and plans to effectively clean, feed and transport our students. Thanks for everything you do to ensure safe and healthy learning environments for all. Finally, I'd be remiss if I

did not recognize and thank all the employees working at the central office and the transportation/maintenance buildings. These TEAM WB members (including assistant superintendents, directors, curriculum coordinators, coordinators, instructional coaches, executive assistants, administrative assistants, maintenance workers, technicians, support staff and technology staff) provide vital district leadership, technical and support services, instructional support, maintenance and operations supports. In short, they are the team behind the scenes responsible for supporting students, parents, and frontline team members. Additionally, the central office administrators work effectively with the Board of Education to set the vision, execute the strategic plan and implement the instructional and student support programs of the school district. Thanks to all the people working mostly behind the scenes on behalf of students, families and staff, so that students receive the best education possible.

In conclusion, THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! TEAM WB is the greatest, which makes it possible for us to provide students with educational experiences second to none!





## WEST BLOOMFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL WELCOMES NEW ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

A fter a comprehensive and rigorous search process, the West Bloomfield School District is pleased to announce Jermaine Evans has been appointed to the position of assistant principal at West Bloomfield Middle School. Mr. Evans's appointment was confirmed at the April 26 West Bloomfield Board of Education meeting. Mr. Evans started his new position on May 17, 2021.

Mr. Evans earned his Bachelor of Science in Education from Oakland University in 1999 and his Master's in Science Education with distinction from Lawrence Technological University in 2003. Mr. Evans also received his Education Specialist Certification from Wayne State University in 2010, focusing on general administration/supervision. Mr. Evans comes to the West Bloomfield School District after most recently serving as assistant



principal of Ludington Magnet Honors Middle School in Detroit.

"Mr. Evans comes to us with extensive leadership experience, and we have been continually impressed by his instructional expertise, especially in the areas of science and STEM, and his unwavering dedication to students," said Dr. Gerald Hill, WBSD superintendent. "Mr. Evans is passionate about middle school education and will make an outstanding addition to the team at WBMS!"

## **MEA RECOGNIZES WBSD TEACHER**

he Michigan Education Association recently recognized Shahenda Vannostrand, Information and Technology Specialist / Literacy Coach at Sheiko Elementary, with two important points of distinction for the 2020-21 school year.

#### Region 7 Teacher of the Year award

Recipients of this award possess all of the attributes synonymous with being a great teacher, including hardworking, passionate, and being a driving force for educational growth. In her nomination letter, Ms.
Vannostrand's colleagues noted her passion for educating the whole child and the many roles she fills within our district as just some of the reasons she is worthy of this distinction.

 Paul Blewett Friend of Education award – Paul Blewett was a dedicated educator and longtime MEA leader from Region 17. This award celebrates the individual who did the most to

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improve the lives of teachers, to further the goals of the MEA or to further the cause of public education. Not to be



outdone, Ms. Vannostrand also received a Star Certificate during the May 17 West Bloomfield Board of Education meeting in celebration of these accomplishments.

"Mrs. VanNostrand is the glue that helps us all keep it together," said Sonja James, Sheiko Elementary principal. "She is one of the most talented educators I have ever encountered in my years in education. She's versatile, resourceful, respected and a champion for the students and staff at Sheiko. Shahenda gives so much of herself, every single day in every single way. This recognition is a tiny way to say 'Thank You' to an extraordinary educator and human being."

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- August 9: Board Study Session
- August 23: Board Meeting
- September 13: Board Study Session
- September 27: Board Meeting
- October 11: Board Study Session
- October 25: Board Meeting
- November 8: Board Study Session
- November 22: Board Meeting
- December 6: Board Study
   Session
- December 13: Board Meeting
- January 10: Board Study Session
- January 24: Board Meeting
- February 7: Board Study Session
- February 21: Board Meeting
- March 7: Board Study Session
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- April 11: Board Study Session
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- May 9: Board Study Session
- May 23: Board Meeting
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## WBHS JUNIOR BEATS OUT THOUSANDS TO WIN AWARD HIGHLIGHTING WOMEN AND TECHNOLOGY

ydney Brown, an 11th grader at West Bloomfield High School, was recently selected as a 2021 National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) AiC Educator Award recipient. Award recipients are selected based on their aptitude and aspirations in technology and computing, as demonstrated by their computing experience, computingrelated activities, leadership experience, tenacity in the face of barriers to access, and plans for post-secondary education. Sydney was selected for this award from a pool of over 4,200 high school applications and more from all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, overseas U.S. military bases, and Canada.

The National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) is a nonprofit community of nearly 1,500 universities, companies, nonprofits, and government organizations nationwide working to increase the influential and meaningful participation of girls and women – at the intersections of race/ethnicity, class, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability status, and other historically marginalized identities – in the



field of computing, particularly in terms of innovation and development.

## WBSD RECOGNIZED BY CAPTURING KIDS' HEARTS

he West Bloomfield School District is proud to announce that Doherty Elementary, Scotch Elementary and

Sheiko Elementary have all been recognized as 2020-2021 Capturing Kids' Hearts Showcase Schools! This distinction

is the culmination of hard work from staff, students and families to embrace the Capturing Kids Hearts mission within these buildings.

National Showcase Schools are chosen annually through a rigorous selection



process that includes measuring key performance indicators, gathering campus data, and surveying staff and

> students. The results represent the implementation of CKH processes as well as the culture and climate on

each campus. Capturing Kids' Hearts celebrates campuses where educators are exceeding expectations and creating an environment where students feel safe, connected and eager to learn.

"These buildings have found unique



ways to continue to build positive learning environments where students are excited to attend, whether virtually or in person," said Dr. Gerald Hill, WBSD superintendent. "We continue to hear from staff and students how valuable CKH has been to them as they foster social-emotional learning, relationshipdriven culture, and student connectedness at Doherty, Scotch and Sheiko. Congratulations to everyone involved!"

## **WB NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS ANNOUNCED**

The West Bloomfield School District is proud to announce that all four West Bloomfield High School semifinalists advanced to the finalist stage in the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program.

The district's 2021 finalists are:

- Audrey Gunawan She plans to attend Harvard University to study biochemistry and government.
- Mahmood Khattab He plans to attend Wayne State University.
- Shayl Pokle He plans to attend the University of Michigan

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College of Engineering.

 Amulya Setlur - She plans to attend University of Michigan to study neuroscience.
 The National Merit Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit



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## WBHS HONORS GRADUATING STUDENT-ATTRICTS

est Bloomfield High School recently celebrated the student-athletes who have committed to participate in college athletics during a College Signing Day celebration in May. These 10 student-athletes will be pursuing athletics as part of their educational experience at the collegiate level.

"These 10 individuals are going to experience a lot of success in life and I know that the balance and responsibility they learned being student-athletes will do nothing but benefit them in the future," said Eric Pierce, WBSD athletic director. "Congratulations to everyone and Go Lakers!"



plans to attend Bluefield State College to play basketball. While in college, she plans to major in premed biology with ambitions to become a sports medicine doctor.



plans to attend Alma College and join the swim team. While in college, she plans to study history in hopes of eventually attending law school.



plans to attend Rochester University and join the cheerleading team. While in college, she will be majoring in nursing with a minor in psychology. She has ambitions to become a psychiatric mental health nurse.



plans to attend Central State University to play basketball. While in college, she plans to major in exercise science and minor in nutrition with the intent to be an athletic trainer.





plans to attend Davenport University to play football.



## JAKE WARD

plans to attend the University of Central Arkansas to play football.



plans to attend Lawrence Technological University to play football. While in college, he plans to major in media communications.



plans to attend Davenport University and join the cheerleading team. While in college, she plans to major in nursing in hopes of becoming a certified registered nurse anesthetist in the future.



plans to attend Albion College and join the swim team. While in college, she plans to major in exercise science/kinesiology with the goal of becoming a physical therapist.



plans to attend Henry Ford Community College to play baseball. While in college, he intends to major in kinesiology in hopes of eventually becoming a physical therapist.

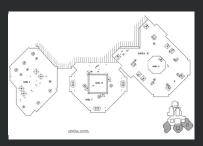




onstruction crews will be in for a busy summer in the West Bloomfield School District, making improvements across all buildings. The district's operations team has been hard at work identifying projects through our 2017 Bond program and our Building and Site Sinking Fund.

#### **Doherty Elementary Roof Replacement**

As a part of the Building and Site Sinking Fund, a master



roofing replacement plan was developed to identify building roofs that have reached the end of their useful lives and to also develop a comprehensive district-wide replacement schedule. As a continuation of the replacement plan a portion of the Doherty Elementary roof is scheduled to be replaced this

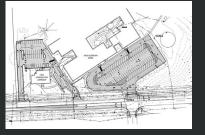
summer, which includes three sections totaling approximately 30,000 square feet.

#### Scotch Elementary Roof Replacement

The district continues to follow its roofing replacement cycle with work on 6,875 square feet of roof being replaced at Scotch Elementary. This relatively small project will be completed over the summer before school resumes in the fall. This project continues to protect the community's investment in our school buildings.

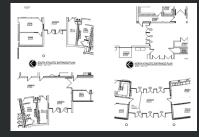
#### Sheiko Elementary Parking Lot Improvements

As a part of the district's Building and Site Sinking Fund, the Sheiko Elementary parking lot will see a much-needed improvement this summer. The project calls for a complete reconfiguration of the entire parking lot to separate school bus traffic from parent traffic for improved safety. The project will also add an additional 41 parking spaces plus two additional handicap spaces to the lot for ADA compliance. This project is not a simple resurfacing but a complete reconstruction to include new curbing and asphalt and will be completed in time for the return to school in the fall.



#### West Bloomfield High School Entrance Door Replacement

As a part of the Building and Site Sinking Fund, the main entry doors to the high school will be replaced. The doors scheduled to be replaced include the north and south Athletics entrance exterior doors, the main entrance doors and interior vestibule doors, and the south entrance doors.



#### West Bloomfield Middle School Construction

Construction will continue on the new state-of-the-art middle school this summer and is on schedule to be completed for the start of the 2022-2023 school year as originally planned. As evident on the most recent drone footage the building shell is complete, with work continuing on the interior spaces. With the demolition of Orchard Lake Middle School nearly complete the building is now visible from Orchard Lake Road, including the wave structure above the main entrance. As the spring and summer months go on, progress will continue to be made on the interior finishes and extensive site work, including the front entry and parking areas.





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## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT Do you k If so, plea

Do you know of any West Bloomfield High School alums you'd like to see in the spotlight? If so, please email alycia.chase@wbsd.org with their contact info and a brief background.



LISA ROSE GRANITZ CHOTTINER WBHS Class of 1991 isa Rose Granitz Chottiner graduated from West Bloomfield High School in 1991. After WBHS, she went on to the University of Michigan, where she graduated in 1995. Lisa completed her student teaching at Doherty Elementary and then went on to work as a first-grade teacher in Highland Park and Pontiac. In 2002, Lisa earned her master's degree from Oakland University.

Lisa wanted to be a writer ever since her second grade teacher at Ealy Elementary said, "You

should be a writer." Lisa studied playwriting and children's writing at U of M. However, after reading so many children's books as a teacher, she also wanted to write children's books.

Lisa's first picture book Shmulik Paints the Town (Kar-Ben Publishing, 2016) was a PJ Library Selection in May 2016 and 2020. Through the PJ Library, her book was sent to over 50,000 homes in North America. *A ZombieVacation* was released September 1 (Apples & Honey Press). It will also be a PJ Library selection in 2021. Her Star Powers chapter book series (Rourke Educational Media, 2018) is about a secondgrade girl who wants to be an astronaut and also uses a wheelchair. Lisa has also penned *A Pocket Picture* (Rourke Educational Media, 2019) and has contributed to an app designed for at-risk readers called Amazon Rapids.

On April 1, 2021, The Singer and the Scientist (Kar-Ben Publishing, 2021) was released. It is about how, after Marian Anderson was denied a hotel room because she was African American, Albert Einstein offered his home and friendship.

Lisa credits the teachers in the West Bloomfield School District for helping her pursue her passions. She lists **Mr. Corcoran, Mrs. Maza** and **Mr. Leider** for helping her the most in her journey as an educator and an author.



AMANDA LEVITT WBHS Class of 2004

ince graduating from West Bloomfield High School in 2004, Amanda Levitt has pursued work as a community builder and scholar. Her work utilizes a variety of mediums, including visual, written and spoken word. In 2010, she founded the nonprofit, Love Your Body Detroit, where she organized public demonstrations and events aimed to dismantle fat stigma in Metro Detroit by challenging community members to

investigate their own preconceived notions of what constitutes an acceptable body.

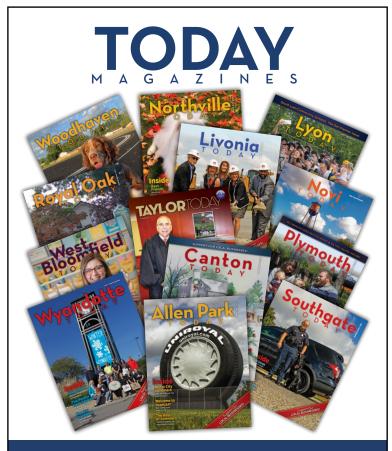
In 2014, Amanda turned her focus to graduate school and is currently a PhD candidate in the Department of Sociology at Wayne State University. She specializes in understanding the complex social relationships between gender, sexuality, fat bodies and deviance. Her research explores the relationship between fatness and social inequality, specifically focusing on dominant understandings of fatness and how fat individuals understand their bodies when taking into context the intersection of fatness with race, class, gender, disability and sexuality.

Her dissertation utilizes in-depth interview methods to explore how self-identifying fat (plus size) women in the Metro Detroit area experience stigma, how they negotiate stigma on a daily basis and how their experiences with stigma may vary by race or socioeconomic location. This project is the first of its kind to look at how individuals in a large metropolitan area experience fat stigma on an interpersonal level.

Although her focus shifted to scholarship, she continues to be involved in community organizing through her work as a co-coordinator of Abundant Bodies at Allied Media Conference in Detroit each summer. She is also working on a memoir that explores her own experiences of fat stigma, sexism and healing from trauma. Her work has been featured in the Detroit Free Press, USA Today, CNN, the New York Times, Bitch Magazine and Michigan Radio.

"WBHS gave me access to a community of people with a wide range of racial, cultural and social backgrounds," Amanda said. "The people I went to school with shaped me and allowed me to envision a future for myself that may not have been possible in a more homogeneous community. Faculty and staff at WBHS guided me through my time in high school by providing me a safe place to grow."





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The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Mr. Eric Whitney, Assistant Superintendent for Talent Development and Management. 5810 Commerce Road, West Bloomfield MI 48324. 248-865-6424

## **MICHIGAN WEEK HONOREES**

The Greater West Bloomfield Michigan Week committee recently celebrated the Greater West Bloomfield community and all of the wonderful individuals and points of pride that make our community a wonderful place to live, work and play. As always, the West Bloomfield School District was well represented in the list of award winners:

- Joey Spano Dr. Seymour Gretchko Youth Advocate Award (Individual)
- West Bloomfield Laker Athletics - Dr. Seymour Gretchko Youth Advocate Award (Group)
- Randi Sakwa -Lifetime Volunteer Leadership Award
   Udit Sarkar - Jack
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- Navya Paingol Jack Freed Volunteer Service Award
- Claudia Rodgers Hidden Treasures Honor Roll
- Jianna Taylor Hidden Treasures Honor Roll
- Amy Quinn Hidden Treasures Honor Roll
- **Rebecca Heitsch -** Hidden Treasures Honor Roll
- Blaine McDowell Hidden Treasures Honor Roll
- Lisa Jennings Hidden Treasures Honor Roll For a complete list of award winners, as well as the awards presentation from May 2021, visit www. michiganweek.org.



#### GREATER WESTBLOOMFIELD MICHIGAN WEEK

## SUMMER LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

∩tarting in June 2021, the West Bloomfield School **U**District will be offering a refreshed take on traditional summer learning opportunities for students in all grades. This approach will have students of all ages growing and expanding their educational skills through a series of innovative activities and engaging themes. These experiences will be for both in-person and virtual learning at the elementary, middle school and high school levels.

 Elementary - Students will experience engaging theme weeks, Be a Laker Detective and Be a Laker Maker, and much more while learning in multi-age classrooms (K-2 & 3-4) with flexible grouping options.



 Middle School

 With our engaging theme of Lakers Take

> Action, students will have the opportunity to experience electives in a new way while learning in multi-age classrooms (grades 5-8) with flexible grouping options. Students completing eighth grade will have their own unique offerings as well.

High School - There will be weekly opportunities for students to explore experiences such as art therapy, yoga and other physical activities, mindfulness and technology. Credit recovery and credit advancement will also be part of the summer offerings at the high school level.

# WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION SUMMER 2021



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at ACS, Gretchko, and Sheiko. All Early Childhood programs use the Highscope Curriculum, which teaches toward each child's developmental level based on interest.

Contact Collette Goestenkors (248) 865-6466 collette.goestenkors @ wbsd.org for registration and tuition information.

#### **FREE Preschool**

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) is a tuition-free,

state-funded program for qualifying families. Participants must meet income guidelines. Programs



are located at Scotch and Sheiko. For more information or to see if your child qualifies, please call (248) 865-6466.

Early Childhood, Kids Klub and Tween Time Coordinator: Laura Poxon Registration and Information: (248) 865-6466

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## **Community** Education

www.wbsd.org Click on DEPARTMENTS, then click on COMMUNITY EDUCATION (248) 865-6462

## **ADULT EDUCATION/ESL**

Dawn Hanford, Coordinator J&S Office Center, 7071 Orchard Lake Rd., Ste. 100 West Bloomfield, MI 48322 (248)539-2390

#### Students 18 and older are welcome from any district. Call to schedule an appointment to register.

MUST REGISTER AT LEAST TWO DAYS BEFORE CLASS BEGINS!

(Registration is ongoing IF a class is already running)

#### FREE Spring Session:

Ongoing registration by appointment June 7 – July 1 (FREE!) Level II/III Intermediate/Adv. English Monday/Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Literature and Discussion Tuesday/Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Pronunciation and Speaking Practice Tuesday/Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

#### **New! Online Class**

American Customs and Manners Tuesday/Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Try us out! Enjoy learning about U.S. customs while having great conversation in our new online class.

Reading, vocabulary and discussion of American life. Intermediate to Advanced.

(Login details will be sent to you upon registration. You need a computer or smartphone.)

#### **Tuition Summer Session**

July 12 – August 5 (4 weeks/2 days/week \$130, and 4 days/week/\$245 – reduced pricing!) Level II/III Intermediate/Adv. English

Monday/Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Literature and Discussion/Advanced Tuesday/Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. American Customs and Manners/Intermediate/Adv. Tuesday/Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.



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#### Community Education Office

Administration and Communication Services (ACS) 5810 Commerce Rd. West Bloomfield, MI 48324 Phone: (248) 865-6462

#### Registration— Easy ways to register

- 1. Online at wbcommed.org
- 2. In-person at the Community Education Office (please call first)
- 3. By phone at (248) 865-6462

