

New & International Families Welcome Event 2022







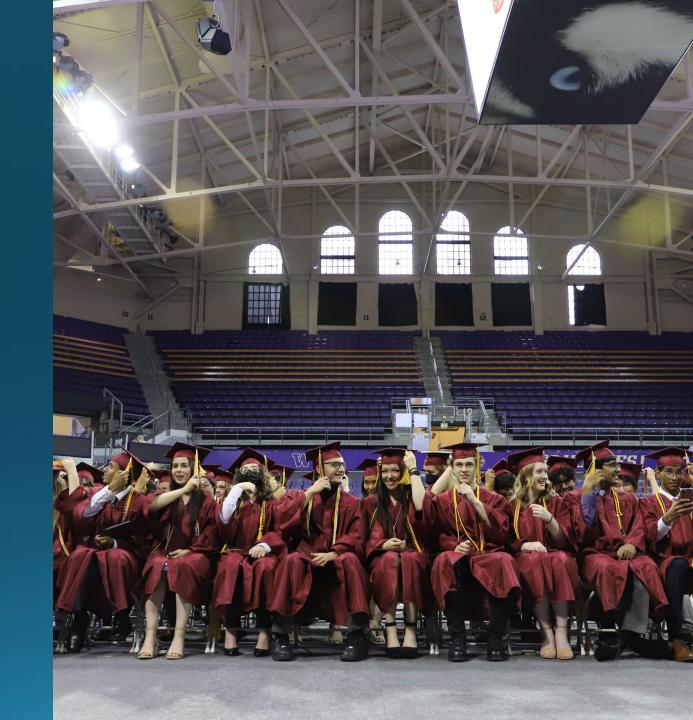
Dr. Jon Holmen Superintendent





Our Mission

Each student will graduate prepared to lead a rewarding and responsible life as a contributing member of our community and greater society.



Our Vision

Every Student Future Ready:

- Prepared for College
- Prepared for the Global Workplace
- Prepared for Personal Success



Our Commitment to Equity

To <u>ensure</u> academic success for all students by closing opportunity gaps for students and providing equitable and inclusive working and learning environments for all students, families, staff, and communities.



ELEVATE STRATEGIC PLAN 2019-2022





Strategic Plan Areas of Focus



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

We believe that every student can learn and achieve at high levels, and it is our responsibility to help each student learn, grow, and be challenged. Our commitment to success for every student is rooted in the ideals of opportunity, equity, and inclusion.



WELL-BEING

We believe that all students must be safe and feel a sense of belonging if they are to succeed. It is our responsibility to create safe and inclusive learning communities in every school where every student and family is valued and welcomed.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

We believe that strong communities build strong schools, and strong schools build strong communities.



EXCELLENT STAFF

We believe that each employee in our district plays a vital role in contributing to the success of our students. We value all the professionals within our organization and are committed to ensuring that we support and develop a high quality and diverse workforce.



OF RESOURCES

We believe that using our resources responsibly and strategically will result in success for our students. As a publicly-funded organization, we must be efficient and effective in our use of public resources to ensure and maintain trust.



October 1, 2021 - Enrollment



30,553 Students







LWSD By the Numbers



76 Square Miles



3 Cities



2nd Largest School District in WA



57 Schools



NTRODUCTION TO PTSA





 YUMNA GREEN

PRESIDENT

LAKE WASHINGTON PTSA COUNCIL

PRESIDENT@LWPTSA.NET





WHAT IS PTSA? WHAT IS PTSA?

PTSA = PTA

PARENT PARENT

TEACHER TEACHER

STUDENT **A**SSOCIATION

ASSOCIATION

SAME ROLE, SAME ACTIVITIES

SOME ORGANIZATIONS CHOOSE TO PUT THE 'S' INTO
THEIR NAME.

ABOUT PTA

- EACH PTA IS A LEGALLY REGISTERED 501©3 NON-PROFIT CORPORATION
- 100% VOLUNTEER
- GOVERNED BY MEMBERS (YOU!) AND AN ELECTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- SEPARATE ORGANIZATION FROM THE SCHOOLS, BUT WE WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER TO SUPPORT STUDENTS
- YOUR SCHOOL LIKELY HAS A PTA
- EACH PTA IS AN INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION, BUT ALL ARE AFFILIATED WITH WASHINGTON STATE PTA AND NATIONAL PTA







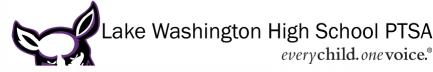












THE PTA UNIVERSE

National PTA – founded 1897

WA State PTA – founded 1905

LWPTSA Council - 1 of 30 Councils in WA

44 local PTAs in our district









WHAT IS THE PURPOSE?

PTA IS...

- THE LARGEST CHILD ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION IN THE US
- PTA EFFORTS (PROGRAMS, COMMUNICATIONS, ADVOCACY,) BENEFIT ALL CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY

WA STATE PTA MISSION:

- A POWERFUL VOICE FOR CHILDREN
- A RELEVANT RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES
- A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR THE WELL-BEING AND EDUCATION OF ALL CHILDREN

WHY PTA AT YOUR SCHOOL?

- PARENT INVOLVEMENT AT SCHOOL MAY LOOK DIFFERENT FROM WHAT YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH
- LWSD HAS A LOT OF STAFF, AND A LOT OF STUDENTS
- LWSD SUPPORTS EDUCATIONAL NEEDS
- PTSA SUPPORTS EXTRA, NICE-TO-HAVE, PROGRAMS AND EVENTS
- THE PTSA WORKS BEHIND THE SCENES TO SUPPORT:
 - STUDENTS
 - FAMILIES
 - TEACHERS
 - STAFF
 - PRINCIPALS
 - WITH 31,000 STUDENTS, SCHOOLS CAN USE OUR HELP









PTA PRIDE

- YOUR PTA WANTS TO:
 - WELCOME YOU AND YOUR FAMILY TO YOUR
 SCHOOL
 - INVITE YOU, YOUR CHILD, AND YOUR FAMILY, TO
 PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, MOST
 OF WHICH ARE FREE
 - OFFER YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR TALENT, INTERESTS, AND EXPERIENCES
 - SUPPORT YOUR CHILD, YOUR FAMILY, AND YOUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

JOIN PTSA

- PTSAS NEED MEMBERS TO EXIST
- TYPICAL COST FOR ONE PERSON TO JOIN IS AROUND \$15
- MHY JOINS
 - SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR YOUR PTA, YOUR SCHOOL, YOUR CHILD AND YOUR COMMUNITY BY ADDING YOUR VOICE TO THE ADVOCACY WORK DONE BY PTA ACROSS THE STATE AND COUNTRY.
 - MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
 - SCHOOL DIRECTORY
 - A VOTE IN HOW THE PTA MONIES WILL BE SPENT
 - A VOTE IN PTA ELECTIONS SO THAT IT REPRESENTS YOUR FAMILY
 - DISCOUNTS FOR MANY COMPANIES: FEDEX OFFICE. SEATTLE SYMPHONY, GREAT WOLF LODGE, BUDGET RENT-A-CAR, AVIS, AND MORE









New and International Families Welcome Event

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

DONATE TO PTSA

- PTAS FUND THEIR PROGRAMS THROUGH DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS
 - "PASS THE HAT" IS A DIRECT DONATION TO YOUR PTSA
- PTA DONATIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE
- MANY COMPANIES MATCH THE DONATIONS
 MADE BY THEIR EMPLOYEES (MICROSOFT,
 BOEING, GOOGLE, ETC.)

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

VOLUNTEER FOR PTSA

- PTAS ARE 100% VOLUNTEER-RUN
- GET TO KNOW STAFF, STUDENTS, OTHER FAMILIES
- STAY CONNECTED
- THERE ARE MANY TYPES OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES.
 - YOU CAN FIND SOMETHING THAT INTERESTS YOU
 - OFFICERS: PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, TREASURER,
 SECRETARY, FUNDRAISING ...
 - CLUBS: ROBOTICS, STEM, ART, LEGO, WRITING, JUMP ROPE
 - PROGRAMS: ART WALKS, SCIENCE NIGHT, READING NIGHT, INTERNATIONAL NIGHT, BINGO NIGHT, CARNIVAL, SCIENCE FAIR, PARENT EDUCATION TALKS, SCHOOL DANCES, STAFF APPRECIATION, WATCHDOGS, SCHOLARSHIPS, SCHOOL PLAYS, AND SO MUCH MORE!
- KIDS LOVE HAVING THEIR GROWN UPS PARTICIPATE!







HOW TO GET STARTED?

LEARN MORE:

- GO TO YOUR SCHOOL'S PTSA WEBSITE
- CONTACT YOUR PTA'S ELECTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS THEY WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!
- SUBSCRIBE TO YOUR PTSA'S NEWSLETTER, FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, TWITTER ACCOUNTS
- GO TO PTSA MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS
- ATTEND EVENTS AND START CONNECTING
- FOR MORE INFORMATION OR RESOURCES:

WWW.LWPTSA.NET - LWPTSA COUNCIL'S WEBSITE

WWW.WASTATEPTA.ORG – WASHINGTON STATE PTA'S WEBSITE

WWW.PTA.ORG – NATIONAL PTA'S WEBSITE

New and International Families Welcome Event







Our Mission

The Lake Washington Schools Foundation gathers and deploys community resources to enhance academic access and to nurture all students' emotional well-being.

Who we are

A non-profit organization that has been working with Lake Washington School District, local PTSAs, local businesses and community members for more than 15 years to support students and families in the district.



What we believe

We believe that every student deserves the opportunity to achieve their potential.

What we do

We work with the district to identify challenges facing students and then channel the power of the community to overcome these challenges.



The areas of work that we support:

- Youth Mental Wellness and Suicide Prevention
- Mentoring and Community Engagement
- Student Food Insecurity
- College Application Preparation
- Equity and Inclusion
- Emerging Student Needs

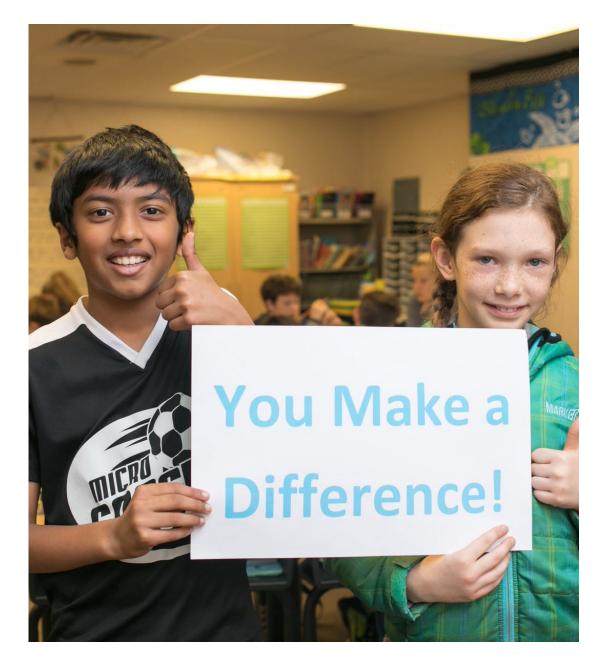
Learn More about us at: https://www.lwsf.org



How you can help:

- Donate
- Volunteer
- Become a School Ambassador
- Participate in our Events and Programs
- Attend our Spring Luncheon in March 2023
- Learn more about us at:

https://www.lwsf.org



LWSD Schools

Elementary Schools			
Eastlake	Juanita	Lake	Redmond
Region	Region	Washington	Region
		Region	
Alcott	Bell	Audubon	Clara Barton
Blackwell	Community	Franklin	Einstein
Carson	Discovery	Kirk	Ella Baker
Dickinson	Frost	Lakeview	Mann
Explorer	Juanita	Rose Hill	Redmond
McAuliffe	Keller	Rush	Rockwell
Mead	Muir	Twain	Rosa Parks
Smith	Sandburg		Wilder
	Thoreau		
Middle Schools			
Evergreen	Environmental	Kirkland	Redmond
Inglewood	Finn Hill	Northstar	Timberline
Renaissance	Kamiakin	Rose Hill	
		Stella Schola	
High Schools			
Eastlake	Juanita	Lake Washington	Redmond
Tesla STEM	Futures	Emerson	
	Cambridge	Emerson K-12	
	International		





Assigned to Neighborhood Schools

- All students are assigned to a neighborhood school.
- When space is available, students may request a variance to attend a different school.
- Students may apply to attend a Choice School.



Goals of Elementary School

- To provide a safe, positive, welcoming environment for students
- To develop students' academic, social, and emotional skills
- To give students a strong foundation for their educational journey

33 Elementary Schools - including 5 Choice Elementary options

• Over 15,000 Elementary Students



Goals of Secondary School

- To continue to provide a safe, positive, welcoming environment for students.
- To continue to develop students' academic, social, and emotional skills.
- To help students begin to develop interests in potential career pathways and post-secondary goals.
- To graduate 100% of our students.

21 Secondary Schools - including 10 Choice Secondary options

• Over 15,000 Secondary Students



School Staffing

- Principal & Associate Principal(s)
- Counselor(s)
- Office, custodial, kitchen staff
- Instructional assistants and paraeducators
- Classroom teachers
- PE, Music, and Library specialists



Addressing Issues and Concerns

1

Start with your child's teacher (email, phone call, or in-person meeting)

2

If not resolved, <u>work</u>
with the school principal
or associate principal

3

<u>District staff</u> are available to provide support as needed

Choice Schools

- Choice schools and programs are:
 - Optional school alternatives, created to meet specific needs and interests.
 - Often housed within an existing school or on the same campus as another school.
- Choice Schools require an application and selection is lottery based.
- Application timeline: November 1-December 2
- Visit: <u>www.lwsd.org/schools/choice-schools</u>

Choice School application timeline for 2023-24

- November 1, 2022 Online application opens at 9:00 a.m.
- December 2, 2022 Online application due by 11:59 p.m.
- January 6, 2023 Lottery held at district
- January 13, 2023 Notification to families
- January 25, 2023 Acceptance deadline



Accelerated Programs

Accelerated Programs Department Staff

Myra Arnone – Director of Accelerated Programs

Crystal Batlle – Accelerated Programs Specialist

Erin Fleshman – Accelerated Programs Specialist

Ryan Smith – Accelerated Programs Specialist

Laura Morgan – Program Supervisor

Amanda Olson – Administrative Professional

Allyson Dowden – Administrative Professional

Britt Galen – Program School Psychologist

Our Program

Accelerated Programs - The name of our entire department. This includes all of the programs and services from grades K-12 including Quest and Advanced Placement (AP).

Highly Capable (HiCap) - Washington state's official term for any student receiving services for gifted education.

Quest - Specific category of programs within Accelerated Programs in which students receive services. Quest programs are: Full Time Quest (FTQ), Pull Out Quest (POQ), Middle School Quest (MSQ), and K-5 HiCap (K5HC).

Who is Highly Capable?

Highly Capable is the Washington term for students receiving gifted education.

- Terms that may be used in other states/countries: gifted, gifted & talented, talent pathway, GATE
- A highly capable learner is a student whose needs cannot be met in the general education classroom.

To meet the needs of the highly capable learner, we offer programs that:

- Enrich and extend academic and intellectual skill;
- Stimulate intellectual curiosity, independence and responsibility;
- Accelerate and enrich content to meet student learning needs; and
- Develop advanced critical thinking, communication and collaboration skills through the lens of local and global citizenship

Elementary School:

- K5HC Grades K-5 (all elementaries)
- Pull-out Quest (POQ)
 Grades 2-5
 (5 elementaries)
- Full-time Quest (FTQ)
 Grades 2-5
 (11 elementaries)

Middle School:

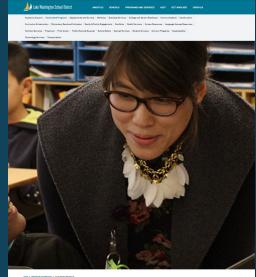
 Middle School Quest (MSQ) – Grades 6-8 (4 middle schools)

High School:

- Honors courses
- AP Courses
- College in the High School & Running Start

Highly Capable Services Continuum

Applications & Assessments





Accelerated Programs applications

ndov is open from 8:00 a.m. September 19 through 11:59 p.m. on

MPLICATION FOR HOME-SCHOOL/FIRM 50000, FAMILIES

Welcome to Accelerated Programs!

Our highly Capabile (Quest programs offer accelerated and enhanced instructional opportunities to all who have been identified as highly expense. Our programs are designed to meet the needs of our high exability terms by promising access and instruction beared the second in figures or the gramed instruction.

A highly depaile learner is defined by the state of Weshington as a "student who has been assessed to have superior intellectual solity as demonstrated by one or more...multiple orderia." Our Program uses cognitive and academic performance data to determine a student's highly sepative eligibility.

- Environment and extension of ecodemic and intellectual skill;
 Olimpiation of intellectual ourisely, independence and responsibility;
- local and global observable
 As you explore our neballs, you will encounter these terms
- Accelerated Programs: The name of our entire department. This involvate all of the programs and services from global V-12 involving Quest and Advanced Reservers (EV).
 Highly Capable (HCap): Yilsahington states official term for any student receiving services for gift

 Quest - Specific category of programs within Accelerated Programs in which students receive service Quest programs are: Rull Time Quest (PQ), Rull Out Quest (PQ), Middle Sehool Quest (MSQ), and M Mice (MRP).

HCRe (KEHC).

Interested in learning more about the programs? Please visitoh the video below by our Accelerating Programs stem for more information.



Online Application

ANY family may complete an online application through the website

Go to www.lwsd.org -> Programs & Services -> Accelerated Programs

Please contact our office if a paper application or translated application is needed.

Students must reside in LWSD boundaries to apply for and receive Highly Capable services

Multiple Objective Criteria

- To determine eligibility, we use multiple objective criteria
- The evidence we collect includes:
 - Cognitive assessments (CogAT & NNAT)
 - Academic assessments (Fastbridge & Iowa)
 - Additional data may include State Assessments (SBA, WIDA, WAKids)
- Report cards are not used as a determining factor in consideration of highly capable services
- Eligibility thresholds are published on the Accelerated Programs Website.

College & Career Readiness (CCR) Career & Technical Education (CTE)

Mission:

To provide opportunities for every student to access rigorous and relevant career-connected learning that prepares them for post-secondary success and access to high-skill, high-wage, and in-demand jobs.



College and career Readiness department

Donneta Oremus – Director

Pam Brown – Administrative Assistant

Divya Kakani – Administrative Assistant

Beth Watson, Royce Badley – Instructional Specialists

Kate Atvars – Career Connected Learning Specialist

Kari Schuh – WANIC (skills center) Director

Steve Hynden – WANIC Dean of Students

CCR Department Overview

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Courses

- 7-12 CTE Courses
- High Demand, High Wage, STEM
- Graduation Pathway (Dual college credit, Industry Credentials, and Credit Equivalencies)

Secondary CTE and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)

High School and Beyond Plan (HSBP)

- 6-12 Graduation Pathway and post-secondary planning via Xello
- HSBP Coordinators

Career Connected Learning (CCL)

- Work-based Learning, Job Shadows, Internships and Apprenticeships
- Career Center Guidance Specialists







ADDED Benefits: Career & Technical Education

- Prepares students to be college and career ready by providing core academic instruction, employability skills, and industry specific technical training
- Offers Dual College Credit while in high school
- Offers Credit Equivalencies meeting TWO graduation requirements in ONE course
- Offers clear pathways to state and nationally recognized industry certifications, and postsecondary credit
- Partnerships with business, industry, and community stakeholders to prepare students for tomorrow's workforce



WANIC – Skills Center

Washington Network for Innovative Careers (WANIC)

WANIC Skills Center courses provide a continuum of CTE training and employment preparation in identified career fields for students in grades 11-12

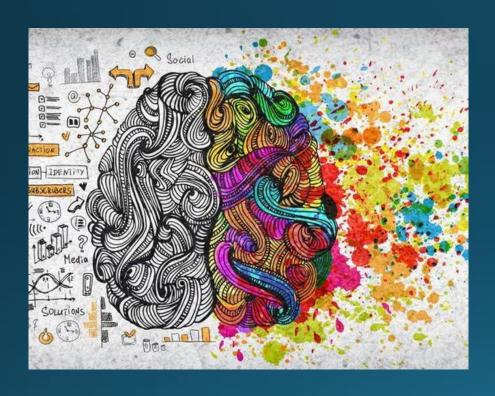
- Located at the Lake Washington Institute of Technology
- Serves eight surrounding school districts in a consortium: Bellevue, Everett, Issaquah, Lake Washington, Mercer Island, Northshore, Riverview, and Snoqualmie Valley
- Courses at the main WANIC campus, at satellite consortium district locations, and at the DigiPen Institute of Technology
- Summer courses are also available through WANIC for students in grades 9-12

Special Services

- Special Education
- 504 Plans
- Early Learning
- Health Services



Special Services Team



- Dr. Shannon Hitch, Executive Director
- <u>Debbie Wagner</u>, Elementary Director
- Erin Romanuk, Elementary Director
- <u>Dr. Natalie Pullen</u>, Secondary Director
- <u>Dr. Stacey McCrath</u>, Secondary Director
- <u>Kim Brenner</u>, Early Learning Director
- Shelley O'Rourke, Health Services Manager

Preschool

Tuition Based, Head Start, Consultation, Special Education

Inclusionary Practices

• General Education, Special Education, Therapeutic Programs, Transportation

Transition Academies and Out of District Placements

Therapy Services

Speech, Occupational, Physical, Vision, Deaf/HH, Counseling

Mental Health and Behavior Support

• Instructional Coaches, Behavior Specialists, Mental Health Therapists

Referral and Evaluation Services

- School Psychologists
- Private School Collaboration

Health Services

• District Nurses, COVID Response, Immunizations, Health Plans/Medications





Where to Turn for Help

- Contact School Psychologist at your child's school for Referrals, Assessment, Transfers (forms available)
- Provide copies of evaluation reports and IEPs
- Contact <u>Childfind</u> (Old Redmond Schoolhouse) for Referrals, Assessments, and Transfers of preschool students
- Birth-to-Three Services: <u>Kindering</u> Center
- Request an Interpreter or Translation if needed
- Special Services Webpage
- Contact Building Nurse for <u>Health Plans</u>
- Contact Building Principal or Special Education Director for Concerns or Support
- PTSA Special Needs Group Parent Support

Wellbeing Programming

Comprehensive School Counseling

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Curriculum/Practices

Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS)

Restorative Practices

Behavioral Health Counseling

Community Partnerships

Teen Mental Health First Aid Training

Affinity Spaces

Behavioral Health Therapists

Working together

Asian Referral Communities in Youth Eastside SeaMar Sound Counseling Consejo School Services Services City of Kirkland City of Redmond **CASEL** SHINE Balance in Mind Sound Supports The Urban Committee for **UW SMART** EvergreenHealth **Brooks Powers** Center Assembly Children

Green = Expert Partnership

Blue = Behavioral Health

Light Blue = Community Partnership

Equity and Family Engagement Department

Director, Equity & Family Engagement

• Pablo Ortega

TOSA: Equity Specialists

- Steffani Jesus-Muggli
 - Damaly Soy

Family Engagement & Outreach
Coordinator

- Catherine Cruz
- Na'eemah Webb

McKinney Vento Liaison

• Blanca Rivas-Lefort

Equity and Family Engagement

Facilitators

- Adanna Abakporo
- Sergio Barrera-Batista
 - Susan Custer
 - Beverly Dosono
 - Kelly Jacobson

Administrative Assistant

Lori Spiry

Services

Equitable Language Access

Building Equity Teams

Family Engagement

Well-Being

Professional Learning

McKinney Vento

Emergency Nutritional Support



LWSD Website

LWSD Communications

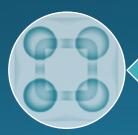
Shannon Parthemer, APR
Director of Communications



Skyward Family Access



Social Media



NEW! ParentSquare

LWSD Website

- Front page changes frequently dependent upon important topics
- "For Students & Families"
- Online Payments
- Breakfast & Lunch Menus link to MySchoolBucks to add money to lunch account balance

Skyward Family Access





GRADES

ATTENDANCE



STUDENT INFORMATION



Social media



ParentSquare – NEW!

- Activate your account now!
- Change your notification settings
 - Tied to Skyward Student Information system – if contact needs to be updated, contact your school office.
 - Preferences for how to receive messages
 - Change phone number (text message capable)
 - Change email address
 - Change from immediate notifications to "daily digest" messages.
 - One per child, per day
- Direct messaging with teachers



Multiple ways to receive communications

Mobile-Friendly and Familiar Website



Email and Push Notifications

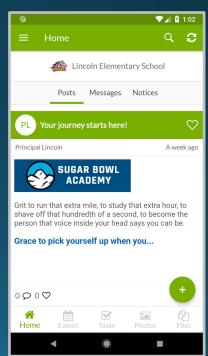
[Lincoln] Justin Williams, was absent from 1st Period today, Oct 25.
Call 555-622-3634 x 1011 or click http://psqr.io/ZNeCYi2YH to excuse.

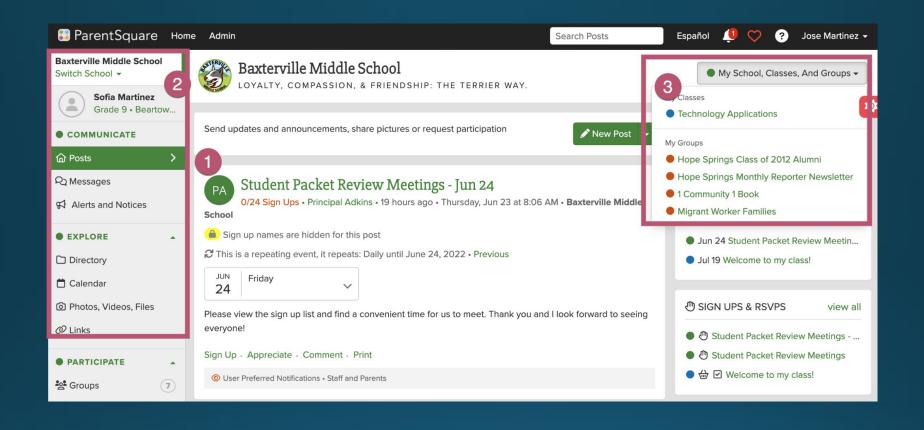
Text Notifications

[Lincoln] First meeting this Friday http://psgr.io/ANeCRTi6

Native iOS and Android Apps





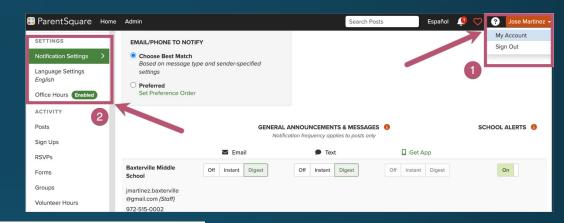


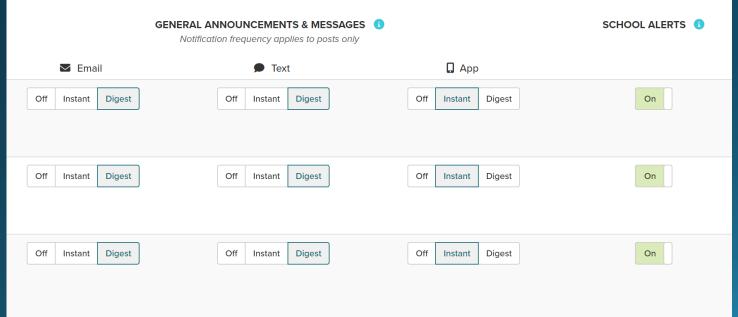
Website Overview

1. Main News Feed
2. Navigation
3. Toggle Views

My Account Settings

- 1. My Account Settings
- 2. Notifications, Language Settings





Contact Us

- Need help? Use Contact Us link on website.
- Call 425-936-1200

