

Lake Schools



**SUMMER
2023**

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LAKE STEVENS
School District



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2023



On June 13, a total of 610 Lake Stevens High School students received diplomas. This year's graduates earned more than \$3.1 million in scholarships and awards. Members of the Class of 2023 aspire to be teachers, biologists, doctors, engineers, machinists, computer scientists, and musicians—just to name a few. We also have several students who will proudly serve our country in the Armed Forces.



"I am so grateful to have attended a high school that has such a fun, welcoming, and accepting environment. When I look back on my time in high school, most of the memories that come to mind are the ones with my friends, classmates, and my teachers. These are some of the many moments that I will remember, forever and always."

Saho Yamashita, ASB President



"I am incredibly thankful for the opportunities, experiences, and lessons that I have taken from LSHS, but all of those are just memories that will not define me or my future. As you leave here tonight, think about what you will do to cultivate yourself into the kind of person you have always dreamt of being."

**Macray Flanders,
Senior Class President**

"On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of Lake Stevens School District, it is my great honor and privilege as your Superintendent to certify that these students have met all standards and graduation requirements set forth by the Lake Stevens School District and the State of Washington. You are hereby awarded your high school diplomas. I present the Class of 2023."

Dr. Ken Collins, Superintendent



"Tonight, as we celebrate the finale of our high school journey, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the incredible faculty members who have shaped us into the remarkable people that we are today. It is their genuine care for us as individuals that has made all the difference. They have taken the time to understand our unique strengths and the areas in which we can grow. They have offered guidance and encouragement, always believing in our potential even when we faltered."

**Alison Powers,
Staff-Selected Speaker**



"Life is completely unfair. People win the lottery, people lose friends and family, some will get undeserved opportunities, and some won't be given chances that they worked hard for. But no matter what, don't let anyone take away your character. Your true personality and being is the only thing that people will remember about you, so make every interaction you have count."

**Reid McDougall,
Student-Selected Speaker**

T WANSTROM • JOSHUA JAMES WEBER • ISAAC SCOTT WERNER • RISSA MAE WILSON • NATHANIEL WILLIAM WILSON • TANNER

WATTS DAVID QUEEN • TELL E LERAIN OSUNA QUINTANA • SHANE WILLIAM KACINE • NATHANIEL RAY • BRONSON ADAM RAYBOURN • ISAAC AARON REDFORD • JAYSUN

LILIANA JOY WOLD • MADISON LINDSEY WOODWARD • WILLIAM BRAEDEN WYNN • CHIMUR RYU XIONG • JASIN HONG XIONG • YWJPHENG ERIC XIONG • MAKENNA LEA TAMAMOTO • SAHO TAMASHITA • ANISA EILEEN YASER • ALEXANDRA JOANN YASKUS • LINLEE KATE YOUNG • MOHAMED MUSTAFA YOUSIF • CARTER JAMES ZAMORA • WENYUAN ZENG • PAYTON LEE ZIGLER • ISAIAH AARON ZIMMERMAN

HERE ARE YOUR

TOP 20 SCHOLARS

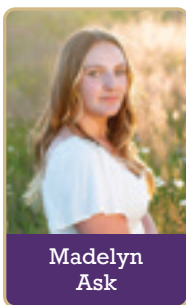
Every year we honor the top scholars from the Lake Stevens High School graduating class. The Class of 2023 had 20 students tie for top honors! Each of these students maintained perfect 4.0 GPAs. That means they have never received less than an “A” on a report card in grades 9-12.

Madelyn Ask will attend the University of Washington where she will study neuroscience. She is the daughter of Shawn Ask. She attended Glenwood Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School.

Madisen Bowers will attend Brigham Young University where she will study biology. She is the daughter of Tammy and Joe Bowers. She attended schools in other districts as well as Glenwood Elementary School and Lake Stevens Middle School.

Hongying Chen will attend Washington State University where she will study nursing. She is the daughter of Xia Lei and Eric Johnson. She attended Sunnycrest Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank everyone who experiences, supported and stuck with her through her memorable school years, and her teachers who pushed her to be the best person she could be.

Everett Gordolan de Leon, Jr. will attend the University of Washington where he will study medical laboratory science. He is the son of Elizabeth and Everett de Leon. He attended schools in Kansas before coming to Lake Stevens and attending Cavelero Mid High School. He would like to thank his parents for their constant love and support throughout the years, along with his teachers and staff for their help and hard work.



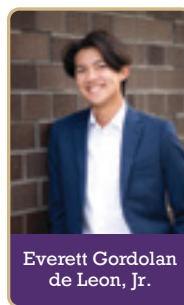
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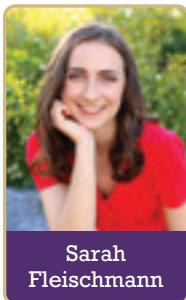
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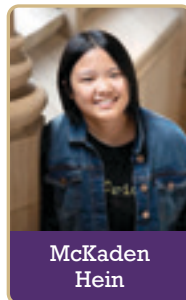
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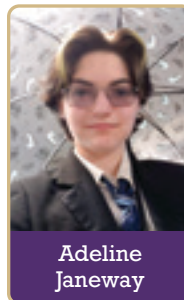
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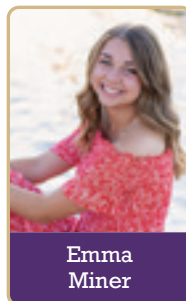
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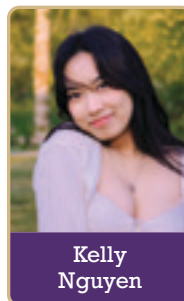
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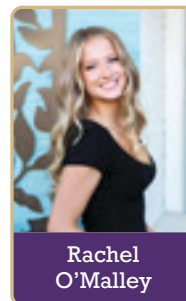
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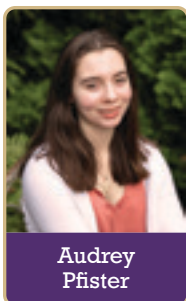
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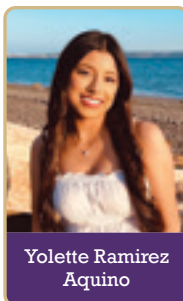
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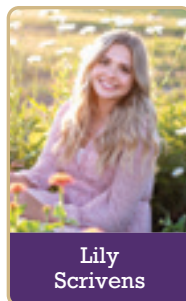
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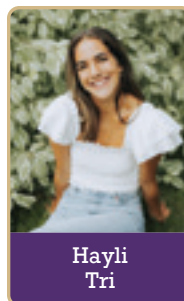
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Pfister



Yolette Ramirez
Aquino



Lily
Scrivens



Hayli
Tri



Anisa
Yaser

Macray Flanders will attend Montana State University where he will study electrical engineering. He is the son of Vicky and Scott Flanders. He attended Highland Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. He would like to thank his parents and teachers for guiding him through school, and for teaching him how to work hard to achieve his goals.

Sarah Fleischmann will attend Grand Canyon University Honors College where she will study communications. She is the daughter of Kari and Jonathan Fleischmann. She was homeschooled before attending Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her family for their unconditional love and support.

Mitchell Lee Hardy will attend Montana State University where he will study criminology. He is the son of Angela and Michael Hardy. He attended elementary school in another district before attending

Lake Stevens Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. He will play hockey for MSU and would like to thank his sister, Amanda, his parents, and his family for helping him achieve this goal.

McKaden Hein will attend the University of Washington where she will study STEM. She is the daughter of Lori and Mark Hein. She attended Highland Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her parents and teachers for getting her this far, her friends and family for being awesome, and video games for keeping her sane.

Adeline Janeway will attend Grinnell College where they will study computer science. Adeline's parents are Stephanie and David Janeway. Adeline attended school in another district before attending Cavelero Mid High School.



ASB Executives

Clockwise from left: Saho Yamashita, Jaden Freeman, Ali Powers and Michaela Frans

Jack Johnson will attend Brigham Young University where he will study computer science. He is the son of Kara and Nick Johnson. He attended schools in another district before attending Cavelero Mid High School. He'd like to thank his parents because they are awesome.

Lucas Johnson will attend a trade school. He is the son of Michelle and Jeff Johnson. He attended Skyline Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School.

Sophia Michalisin will attend the University of Washington where she will study applied mathematics and astronomy. She is the daughter of Cara Moormeier and Ryan Michalisin. She attended Hillcrest Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her teachers for inspiring her academically and personally; her parents for providing guidance and support, and making sacrifices for her; and her sister, Hanna, who brings out the best in her and is a wonderful role model.

Emma Miner will attend the University of Washington where she will study aeronautical engineering. She is the daughter of Kim and Art Miner. She attended Glenwood Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her family, teachers, friends and coaches for supporting her and motivating her to succeed.

Kelly Nguyen will attend the University of Washington where she will study biochemistry and pre-med. She is the daughter of Sandy and Sonny Nguyen. She attended Sunnycrest Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her family for being her biggest supporters, especially her sister who took care of her mental health when things got rough.



LSHS Senior Senate

Clockwise from left: Rachel O'Malley, Madelyn Ask, Lauren Ruble, Macray Flanders, Owen Johnson, Madison Boerger, Emma Miner, Jair Solorio Valdovinos and Lily Scrivens. Not pictured: Ellie Psaradelis.

Rachel O'Malley will attend Brigham Young University where she will study elementary education. She is the daughter of Sabrina and Charles O'Malley. She attended Hillcrest and Highland Elementary Schools, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her family, friends, coaches and teachers for their support and encouragement in overcoming adversity and achieving success.

Audrey Pfister will attend the University of Arizona where she will study nutrition. She is the daughter of Christine and Ben Pfister. She attended Skyline Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her parents and her teachers for making senior year the best it could be.

Yvette Ramirez Aquino will attend Gonzaga University in the Honors Program where she will study biology and pre-med. She is the daughter of Marta Aquino and Adonai Ramirez. She attended schools in another district before coming to Lake Stevens. She would like to thank her parents for inspiring her, and being the pillars behind her successes.

Lily Scrivens will attend Brigham Young University where she will study elementary education. She is the daughter of Natalie and Joseph Scrivens. She attended Highland Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her family for always supporting her through her academic goals.

Hayli Tri will attend Western Washington University where she will study secondary education. She is the daughter of Tara and Tom Tri. She attended Highland Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her parents for the years of helping her get to where she is today.

Anisa Yaser will attend Western Washington University where she will study psychology and business. She is the daughter of Petra and Yanni Yaser. She attended Highland Elementary School, North Lake Middle School and Cavelero Mid High School. She would like to thank her family and friends for supporting her and pushing her to always be the best version of herself.



Help your child get Ready for Kindergarten!

We are hosting a Ready for Kindergarten program for incoming kindergarteners. This three-day opportunity from Monday, Aug. 21 to Wednesday, Aug. 23 offers a safe and welcoming introduction to elementary school for families and students, relieving many first-day anxieties. Transportation is provided if you sign up before July 31. Please RSVP at www.lkstevens.wednet.edu/kindergarten.

To participate, students must be enrolled for kindergarten for the 2023-24 school year. Enrollment packets are available on the district website and at the school district office. Children must be five-years-old by Aug. 31, 2023 to enroll in kindergarten for the 2023-24 school year. To enroll your child, please bring an official copy of their birth certificate, proof of immunization, and proof of residence in Lake Stevens School District. Enrollment is limited to those students who live within district boundaries.

The first day of school for kindergarten for the 2023-24 school year is Monday, Sept. 11.

SAVE THE DATE

Ready for KINDERGARTEN!

Who:	When:	Where:
All incoming registered kindergarten students	Monday, Aug. 21, through Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2023	At each Lake Stevens Elementary School

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022-23 RETIREES!

Our Board of Directors honored the 2022-23 retirees at its May 24 meeting. Overall, these employees have served more than 560 years to our students, schools, district and community. Thank you, and congratulations!

Educational Services Center

- Betsy Baron
- Kenneth Engman
- Lee Schwarzmiller
- Daloris Waltz

Transportation Department

- Eugenie Couste

Lake Stevens High School

- Rodger Anderson
- William Angdahl
- Dawn Boyden
- Connie Manning
- Lisa Riecks
- Sarah Summers
- Chris Thompson
- Kay Topp

Glenwood Elementary School

- Pamela Damon

Hillcrest Elementary School

- MariLee Fronsman
- Elana Walsh

Mt. Pilchuck Elementary School

- Julie Banks
- Jeanine Granstrom

Skyline Elementary School

- Kathreen Doser
- Kimberly Rightmire

Sunnycrest Elementary School

- Vicki Jimenez

Early Learning Center

- Bob Bolyard

Transitions

- Lynne Grubb



Rodger Anderson



William Angdahl



Julie Banks



Betsy Baron



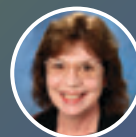
Bob Bolyard



Dawn Boyden



Eugenie Couste



Pamela Damon



Kathreen Doser



Kenneth Engman



MariLee Fronsman



Jeanine Granstrom



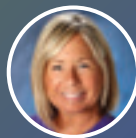
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Vicki Jimenez



Connie Manning



Lisa Riecks



Kimberly Rightmire



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Scan the QR code to watch the retiree slideshow.



Message from Your Superintendent

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It's also important that we express our deepest gratitude to the teachers, support staff, administrators and volunteers who have dedicated themselves to providing our students with an exceptional educational experience. Your unwavering commitment to our graduates' success is a testament to your passion for education, and your belief in the transformative power it holds.

The end of the school year is also a time to recognize the significant contributions of our employees. Each year, we recognize employees who are retiring and those who have contributed 25 years of service. Their expertise and professionalism are very much appreciated. Please take a moment to learn more about these employees on page 6 of this publication.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our two Thoughtexchange survey engagements last month. Your feedback will be used by our Board of Directors and district leaders as we finalize our Foundation for Excellence, and as we make decisions for the upcoming school year. More information will be shared this fall so that you may follow along with our progress.

Please help us spread the word about our free summer meals, offered Monday through Thursday from 12 to 12:30 p.m. at Sunnycrest Elementary School now through Aug. 10. Meals are available to any child aged 18-years-old or younger. More information is available on our website, or by calling 425-335-1561.

I'm incredibly grateful to be your superintendent, and I look forward to the 2023-24 school year. Have a safe and happy summer!



Sincerely,
Ken Collins
Ken Collins, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Employees honored for 25 years of service

- Colleen Aldrich
- Lori Barlow
- John Coe
- Vicky Flanders
- Renee Foudray
- Debra Huber
- Suzanne Kerker
- Kim LaFortune
- Mark McCoy
- Bert Mecko
- Jason Pearson
- Kelly Snow
- Brenda Tieken
- Tom Tri
- Jami Valadez
- Dave Westendorf
- Shannon Wyant
- Beth Yeutter

Congratulations to the following employees who were honored for their years of service to Lake Stevens School District. They received a special lunch, delivered by Dr. Collins, in late May. Thank you!



SIGNIFICANT DATES

August 2023

21-23 Ready for Kindergarten

September 2023

4 Labor Day
5 Learning Improvement Day for staff
6 First day of school for grades 1-8 & 10
7 First day of school for grades 9, 11 & 12
11 First day of Kindergarten
12 First day of school for HomeLink
13 First day for Early Learning Center; first day of school for Transitions

October 2023

13 No school, LID for staff
30-31 Preschool to 7th-grade Family Conference Week; 2.5 hour early release; no preschool

November 2023

10 No school in observance of Veterans Day
22 2.5 hour early release
23 Thanksgiving Day
24 No school

December 2023

18-29 Winter Break, no school

January 2024

1 New Year's Day, no school
15 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, no school
26 End of first semester
29 No school, Learning Improvement Day for staff

February 2024

16 No school
19 Presidents Day, no school

March 2024

4-7 Preschool to 7th-grade Family Conference Week; 2.5 hour early release; no preschool

April 2024

1-5 Spring Break, no school

May 2024

27 Memorial Day, no school

June 2024

11 Graduation
12 Last day of Early Learning Center
18 Last day of school, 2.5 hour early release*
19 Juneteenth, schools and offices closed
20-21 Snow make-up days, if needed



Dates are subject to change. Please confirm dates and times on the district website calendar.

LAKE STEVENS SCHOOL DISTRICT FREE SUMMER LUNCH



JUNE 26 TO AUG. 10 • MONDAY TO THURSDAY • CLOSED JULY 3, 4, 5 AND 6

Service: 12 to 12:30 p.m.

Hot and cold entrees of the day. Daily fresh fruit and veggie garden bar with lowfat or nonfat milk. Students can enjoy their meals in the cafeteria until 1 p.m. For any child or teen 18-years-old and younger. Adults can purchase a meal for \$4.50.

Location

Sunnycrest Elementary Cafeteria
3411 99th Ave NE
Lake Stevens WA 98258

Enter through the side door of the cafeteria near the North Parking Lot.

ECRWSS
Current Resident

Lake Stevens School District is

HIRING!



Substitute Teachers



Bus Drivers and Substitute Drivers



Paraeducators and Substitute Paraeducators



Food Services and Substitute Food Service



VISIT: www.lkstevens.wednet.edu/jobs

SWIMMING LESSONS



LAKE STEVENS
SCHOOL DISTRICT POOL

For the latest dates and times,
call (425) 335-1526 or visit:

www.lkstevens.wednet.edu/pool

REGISTER TO VOTE OR UPDATE YOUR REGISTRATION

Are you a registered voter? Have you moved or changed your name? Registering to vote, or updating your registration is quick and easy. Visit olvr.votewa.gov to get started.

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In accordance with RCW 49.60, the Lake Stevens School District does not discriminate in employment and schools. The Lake Stevens School District provides Equal Educational and Employment Opportunity without regard to race, creed, color, national origin, sex, handicap/disability, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, creed, religion, age, veteran or military status, use of a trained dog to guide or service animal by a person with a disability, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and designated youth groups. The district complies with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations to include, but not limited to, Title IX, Title VI of the Civil Rights Acts, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, RCW 49.60 "The Law Against Discrimination," and RCW 28A.640 "Sex Equity," and covers, but is not limited to, all district programs, courses, activities, including extracurricular activities, services, access to facilities, etc. Inquiries regarding compliance procedures should be directed to Lake Stevens School District, 12309 22nd St. NE, Lake Stevens, WA 98258, Attention: Title IX and Civil Rights Coordinator, John Balmer, (425) 335-1500, John_Balmer@lkstevens.wednet.edu or ADA Compliance Coordinator and Section 504 Compliance Coordinator, Miriam Tencate, (425) 335-1500, Miriam_Tencate@lkstevens.wednet.edu.