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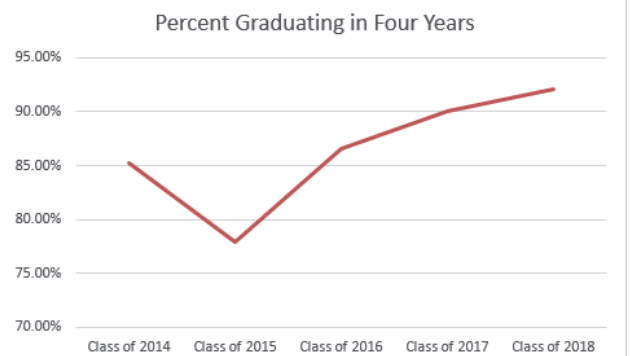
Sharing news from our schools that every community member should know....

From Superintendent Scott Peacock to you.



Lakewood Graduation Rates are on the Rise

One of the great success stories in our district is the dramatic increase in four-year graduation rates. 92.1% of our seniors in the 2017-18 school year graduated in four years, placing Lakewood among the most successful districts in Snohomish County, using this important measure. Only Everett seniors graduated at a higher rate. Our graduating seniors benefited from a new graduation progress monitoring system, alternative courses that meet student individual needs, new lab-based Career and Technical Education courses, and a Student Success Coordinator to provide real-time support. It is also notable that daily attendance rates and the growing percentage of Lakewood students earning college credits place our students among the highest performing in Snohomish County using these measures.



Conversations at the Paddle Pub on Monday Nights

Meet the superintendent at the Paddle Pub Restaurant (4915 Lakewood Rd) every Monday from 5-6 pm or send an email to speacock@lwsd.wednet.edu.



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Construction Projects Continue to Improve Schools



We are wrapping up our list of projects at Lakewood High School that will bring an array of "finishing touches" to our beautiful new high school. These include improvements to the gym, the athletic fields and the PAC, to name only a few areas of attention. One of our biggest summer projects is the construction of the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) labs at Lakewood Middle School. In the fall our 6-8th graders will have access to experiences in computer-aided design, computing, 3-D printing, laser cutting and woodworking. These opportunities only enhance our students' preparation to lead fulfilling lives after graduation. As you drive up 11th Avenue, you may also notice that Cougar Creek is getting a new and much-needed roof.

Monthly Budget and Funding Primer

Next Month: Levies vs. Bonds



Our School District Budget has Five Funds

General Fund- the operating budget that pays for staff, educational materials, training, food services, maintenance and transportation. Enrichment, Programs and Operations (EP&O) local levy dollars, along with state/federal allocations, go into this fund.

Associated Student Body (ASB) Fund- funds raised by students through activity/athletic fees and fundraisers. These pay for social, extracurricular, cultural and athletic activities. Students are involved in deciding how these funds are used to pay for sports, clubs, trips, etc.

Capital Projects Fund- funding that is designated for technology, equipment, and construction related to building and improvement of our facilities, such as roofs and carpets. This fund consists of money raised through publicly-approved bond sales as well as our Capital and Technology Levy.

Debt Service Fund- funds used to pay the principal, interest, and spending related to the bonds we issue. Funds in this account come from voted levy tax collections.

Transportation Vehicle Fund- funds provided by the state and through grants for the purchase, major repairs, rebuilding, and debt repayment for student transportation equipment.

Under state law, all of these funds must remain separate.

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