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SPECIAL THANKS EXPRESSED FOR MEMORIAL STADIUM RENOVATIONS

On September 1st, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held at Longview Memorial Stadium to celebrate the new track and field. The new digital scoreboard displayed a video of the construction followed by our high school students and teams expressing their gratitude to the community. Superintendent Dan Zorn delivered a heart-felt speech acknowledging the support of the community. To add to the celebration, the Mark Morris band and cheer leaders rallied the crowd before the football team took to the field for the first competition of the year. The complex has a newly configured design that meets WIAA safety standards for soccer, track and football. Future improvements will include repairs to the stadium and the installation of visitor bleachers. The work was made possible by the locally approved Capital Projects & Technology Levy passed by voters in 2022.



POSITIVE SCHOOL CLIMATE AND CULTURE

As measured by our annual "Seeds of Hope" survey, staff, student and parent perceptions of our schools and the services we provide remain strong. School district employees are working hard to provide students and families an outstanding educational experience. An important part of providing a great education is staying focused on maintaining a positive climate and culture in our schools. To help measure school climate and culture, parents and students are surveyed each year. In a few examples from the most recent survey, 92 percent of parents said students are encouraged every day to work hard and put in the necessary time to achieve their own success. From a student perspective, 86 percent said staff at Longview Public Schools emphasize that success in learning is directly related to hard work and persistence.

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Report to Our Community

Longview

2023-24

PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT DAN ZORN

The 2023-24 school year is off to a great start and we are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning, challenge, and exploration. We are thrilled to be back to work serving the children of our school district.

Our student growth data is consistently improving across the district, opportunities for students to receive college credit while still in high school are expanding, and staff, student, and parent perceptions of our schools and the services we provide remain strong. For example, 89 percent of Longview Public School parents say their student feels belonging and connection at school.

The first two phases of the Memorial Stadium's upgrade project are complete. The new soccer, football field, track and scoreboard are amazing. In addition, the facilities and custodial crew worked extremely hard this summer completing many projects to extend the life of school facilities and improve the learning environment in our schools. This work included HVAC upgrades, roof replacements and flooring projects. This work is possible due to our community's generous support of our Capital Projects, much of which was funded by the Capital and Technology Levy.

Your generous support of our schools has also allowed us to continue improving the safety and security of our school campuses. We have invested in security fencing around schools, access control systems, secure vestibules at front entrances, and the installation of extensive video surveillance systems throughout all buildings. Along with these improvements, we have also increased emergency preparedness training for staff members.

The existing Education Programs and Operation Levy expires at the end of 2024 and the school board is considering placing a replacement levy measure on the February 2024 ballot. The Education Programs and Operations levy represents approximately 15 percent of our district's annual budget, pays for about 65 teacher and school support employees and another 68 school support positions. The levy also funds about 10 percent of special education services and costs. Look for more replacement levy information coming soon.

We work responsibly to be good stewards of taxpayer dollars and align our services with the needs of our students and families. We are grateful for the continued community support as we work together to make Longview Public Schools the district of choice for families in Southwest Washington.

Respectfully,
Dan Zorn, Superintendent

OUR MISSION:

To ensure that every student learns the knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviors to become a responsible citizen in a rapidly changing world.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- DON WIITALA, PRESIDENT
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KINDER BRIDGE IMPROVES LITERACY

Recent data shows Longview's Kinder Bridge program is boosting student literacy skills. This outcome aligns with a state study conducted on over 43,000 students, which found students in early learning programs are more likely to meet third grade English and Math skill goals. This is very important because other studies have found that students who meet English and Math standards by the end of third grade have higher rates of high school graduation. Longview now has six Kinder Bridge classrooms serving our students. This program prepares students by teaching them the building blocks of reading and math, which allow them to excel in kindergarten and beyond.



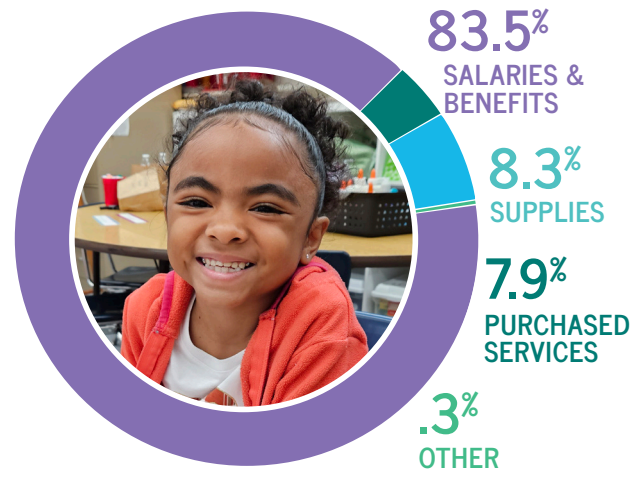
ENGAGED STUDENTS PERFORM BETTER

Engagement is a key factor for academic success. Students who are interested, motivated and involved in their school activities tend to achieve higher grades and test scores. Engagement can take many forms, like participating in class discussions, joining clubs or teams, volunteering for projects or events, or developing positive relationships with teachers and peers. By engaging in their school, students can improve their learning, skills and confidence, as well as their sense of belonging and well-being. At Longview Public Schools, we encourage students to not only actively participate in class, but also to join clubs, sports, and do things they enjoy with the opportunities provided to them. To aid in this, the district has eliminated many student fees in an effort to reduce barriers to participation. To learn more about activities your student can participate in, feel free to contact your school.



2023-24 DISTRICT FINANCES

BUDGETED EXPENDITURES



BUDGETED REVENUE SOURCES

SOURCE	2023-24
LOCAL LEVY	\$15,656,089
LOCAL NON-TAX	\$1,812,398
STATE	\$59,482,590
FEDERAL/GRANTS	\$35,717,538
OTHER	\$229,500
TOTAL	\$112,898,115

NOTE: Data is per approved 2023-24 budget. For more details, visit reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us. Under "Organization Type," select "School District," and under "Organization," select "Longview."

BUDGETED AMOUNT PER STUDENT FOR 2023-24

\$15k STAFF SALARIES & BENEFITS + \$3k OTHER DISTRICT EXPENSES = \$18k TOTAL PER STUDENT

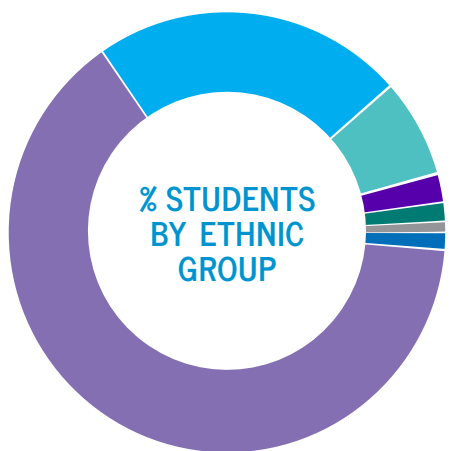
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DISTRICT ATTENDANCE RATE: 90%

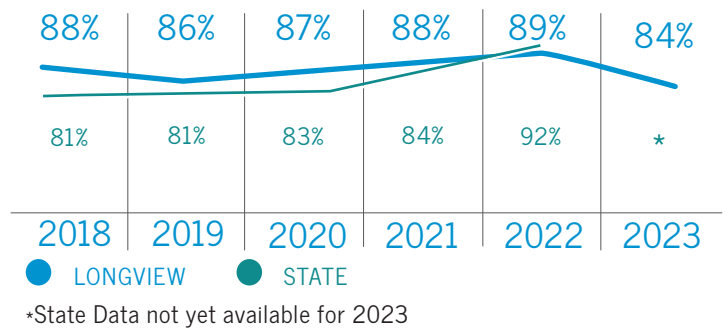
ABOUT YOUR LONGVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TOTAL STUDENTS: 6,325

- 65.5% WHITE
- 21.9% HISPANIC
- 7.2% TWO +
- 1.8% ASIAN
- 1.8% NATIVE AMERICAN/ ALASKAN
- 1.2% NATIVE HAWAIIAN/ PACIFIC ISLANDER
- 1.1% BLACK



GRADUATION RATES



STUDENT : TEACHER RATIOS

KINDERGARTEN 19:1	1ST - 5TH 21:1	MIDDLE SCHOOL 17:1	HIGH SCHOOL 19:1
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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT FOR 2022-23

GRADE	READING % MET GROWTH TARGET	READING % PROFICIENT & ADVANCED	MATH % MET GROWTH TARGET	MATH % PROFICIENT & ADVANCED
2nd	71%	N/A	57%	N/A
3rd	71%	38%	62%	44%
4th	70%	34%	58%	36%
5th	60%	39%	64%	29%
6th	57%	44%	64%	31%
7th	57%	47%	52%	30%
8th	57%	47%	50%	26%
10th	N/A	57%	N/A	19%