

Lake Washington School District 2022 Legislative Platform

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

Vision: Every Student Future Ready: Prepared for college, Prepared for the global workplace, and Prepared for personal success.

The Lake Washington School District Board of Directors represents 31,000 students residing on the Eastside of Lake Washington. Our legislative priorities are focused on addressing urgent and pervasive challenges to ensure Lake Washington is able to continue providing high-quality programs and services for our diverse student body. By addressing these legislative priorities, we will address individual student needs while also addressing school systems that have led to marginalization of specific populations. Our Strategic Plan identifies Academic Success, Well-Being, Community Connected, Excellent Staff, and Effective Use of Resources as the fundamental goal areas of focus. These legislative priorities align with our Strategic Plan while maintaining a focus on support for the growth and development of our students.

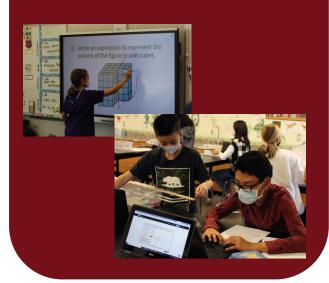
URGENT:

Equitable COVID Support:

Provide commensurate levels of COVID funds by size of district.

Technology:

 Provide adequate funding for student, staff and district technology to support 21st century learning.



SHORT TERM:

Special Education Programs and Services:

Fully-fund Special Education Programs.

School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB):

 Eliminate charge to district when employees waive benefits.

Social Emotional Learning:

 Provide more funding for counselors and mental health supports.

Attract, Recruit and Retain High-Quality, Diverse Staff:

- Maintain and increase state-to-state reciprocity of teaching certificates.
- Consider partnerships including reciprocity of teaching certificates with Historically Black Colleges & Universities.

LONG TERM:

Simple Majority for School Bonds & School Construction Funding:

- Advance a constitutional amendment to make simple majority for school bonds happen.
- Provide additional state assistance funding to districts that are building new schools.
- ☐ Eliminate sales tax on school construction projects.

