

WestWood Elementary & SAGE Academy **NEWSLETTER**

May 2025



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Dear Families,

As we approach the final weeks of the school year, I want to take a moment to thank you for your continued partnership and support. This is always an exciting time filled with celebrations, milestones, and a strong sense of accomplishment. Let's keep encouraging our students to finish the year with focus, positivity, and WestWood Pride!

I also want to share an important staffing update. Our beloved Lead Administrative Assistant, Christine Blake, will be leaving WestWood at the end of this school year. While we are sad to see her go, we are incredibly grateful for her years of service and wish her the very best in her next chapter.

We have officially opened the position and are seeking a dedicated, detail-oriented, and welcoming individual to join our team. If you or someone you know would be a great fit, please check out the job posting on our district website or reach out to me for more information.

Thank you again for being part of our amazing school community.

Sincerely, Mrs. Manders

Information

Early Release and No School Days:

May 26 is a no school day. May 7 is an early release day. Students will be released 2 hours early.

Family Fun Night - May 15, 5-7pm



Incoming Kindergarten Open House - May 13, 2025

You're invited to attend a Kindergarten Open House at your child's school on Tuesday, May 13! This is a great opportunity for incoming kindergarten students to ride a school bus, tour their new school, and begin getting excited for the year ahead.

Open House Schedule:

Five Hawks & Redtail Ridge: 3:30–4:30 p.m. Glendale, Hamilton Ridge, Jeffers Pond, La ola del lago at Grainwood & WestWood: 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Kindergarten Enrollment

If you haven't enrolled your child yet for kindergarten, now's the time! <u>Enroll online here</u>

If your child will not be attending kindergarten for the 2025–26 school year, please let us know by contacting Rikki Lambert at <u>rlambert@plsas.org</u>.

Be sure to check out our Preparing for Kindergarten flyer—it's full of ideas to help prepare your child for kindergarten.

Coming Up...

Great Start to Kindergarten

July 28 – August 8, 2025

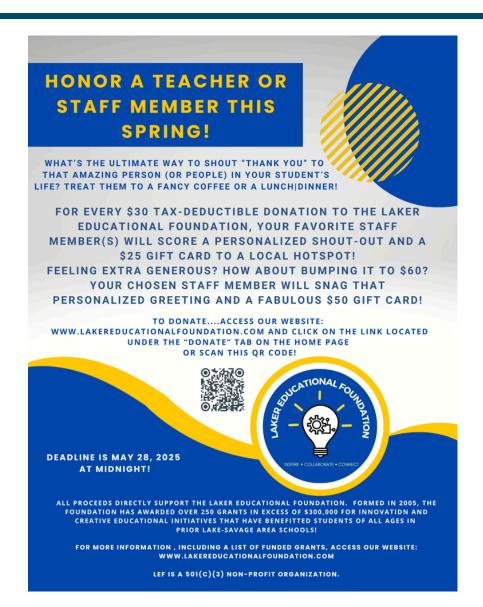
During this time, your child will meet with our teachers and other students. The session will take about 30 minutes and will help us place your child in the classroom that best supports their learning needs. Specific dates and information will come from your child's school.

May: The Month of Super Endings

As we near the conclusion of the academic year, it is important that our students remain engaged and focused. The final weeks of school offer a meaningful opportunity to reinforce essential skills, reflect on personal growth, and bring closure to the year's learning experiences. Finishing the year with intention and effort not only supports academic progress but also contributes to students' holistic development— nurturing their confidence, resilience, and sense of responsibility. We appreciate your continued partnership in encouraging students to end the school year with purpose, pride, and a strong foundation for future success.

Address or Family Changes

If you are moving or have any family status changes, please keep the WestWood Office informed. You may call and leave a message on our main number 952-226-0400, or email: Imanders@plsas.org This information will help as we create our class lists for next year and ensure that we have current mailing information.



Come sub at WestWood - Work for Teachers on Call!

We are partnering with Teachers On Call, a Kelly Education Company to help staff substitute positions in our district. This is a fantastic chance for parents to engage with our schools, support our students, and contribute to their education in a meaningful way.

Why Become a Substitute Teacher? Flexible scheduling Opportunity to make a positive impact Gain valuable experience in the education field Be a part of our amazing team

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a substitute teacher, please reach out Maranda Brown maranda.brown2@teachersoncall.com or you apply directly on their website https://www.teachersoncall.com/talent/apply-now/.

We encourage you to consider this rewarding opportunity to help shape the future of our students! Thank you for your continued support of our schools.



May 7, 5-8: Davanni's















