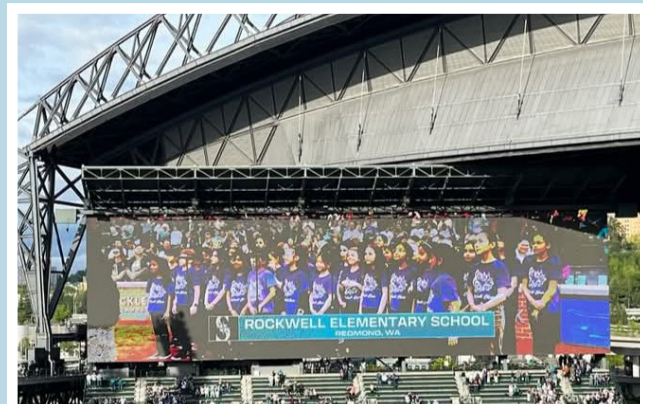


Lake Washington School District

2024-2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Extracurricular Activities & Experiential Learning



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Secondary Activities

Extracurricular programming in Lake Washington School District (LWSD) is structured to reflect and respond to student interests. Students are provided opportunities to engage in both state-sanctioned and school-based activities that complement their academic experience. Several high school programs operate under the governance of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA), including:

- debate (Forensics)
- drama
- music
- cheer
- dance/drill

During the 2024–25 school year, over 2,000 students from LWSD comprehensive and choice high schools participated in these competitive activities. District schools continue to demonstrate strong engagement and notable achievement at state-level events.

In addition to WIAA programs, high schools host a wide range of student-driven clubs. These organizations vary by campus and are established based on student initiative and interest. Last year, more than 300 clubs across LWSD high schools reported active involvement. Because these groups do not maintain official rosters, charge participation fees, or require formal eligibility clearance, comprehensive participation data is not consistently available. Club offerings naturally shift from year to year, reflecting evolving student passions and priorities.

Middle school activity programs share similarities with high school offerings, excluding WIAA-sponsored events.



In the past school year, middle schools collectively offered scores of clubs. These opportunities allow students to begin exploring extracurricular interests early, creating continuity and expanded engagement as they progress through the K–12 system.

Middle and high school students also engage in a range of STEM learning opportunities through both coursework and extracurricular programming. In addition to science and Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses offered during the school day, many students participate in PTSA-sponsored activities, such as:

- environmental stewardship groups
- robotics teams
- math and science competitions



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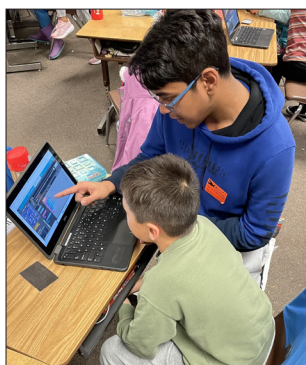
Elementary Activities

Elementary activities in LWSO are supported through a combination of school initiatives, PTSA partnerships, district programs, and collaborations with community organizations. These opportunities extend learning beyond the classroom and allow students to explore interests in leadership, the arts, STE, and community engagement.

In addition to after-school programming, many elementary schools incorporate experiential learning through field trips and outdoor education opportunities. Fifth-grade outdoor education experiences continue to serve as a culminating elementary experience for many students, combining environmental learning with teamwork and leadership development.

Elementary students also explore STEM topics during the school day through classroom instruction and district initiatives such as Hour of Code, which often includes participation from community technology professionals and high school student mentors. Many schools also host additional enrichment opportunities, such as:

- environmental stewardship groups
- robotics clubs
- career awareness activities that help students connect classroom learning to real-world experiences.



District Activities

Across the district, students participate in programs, such as:

- elementary choir
- student council
- safety patrol
- Lunch Buddy programs
- Battle of the Books

These district-supported opportunities provide consistent leadership and enrichment experiences across schools.

School Activities

Many schools also expand their offerings through partnerships with their PTSA and community organizations.

These school-based opportunities often include creative and performing arts experiences, such as:

- art programs
- author visits
- assemblies
- drama productions
- filmmaking

STEM-focused activities commonly include:

- coding and robotics clubs
- robotics classes
- architecture and design experiences
- 3D printing
- science enrichment programs, such as, the Science Van

Schools also offer language and cultural opportunities such as: Japanese language classes, as well as movement- and wellness-focused activities, including:

- martial arts
- soccer
- yoga
- Girls on the Run

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



Secondary Athletics

Athletics continue to represent one of the most heavily utilized extracurricular pathways within LWS D secondary schools. In the 2024–25 school year, district participation in interscholastic athletics continues to hover around 20,000 participants (students count once for each sport in which they participate).

In addition to its full slate of WIAA-sponsored sports, LWS D spearheaded the first ever KingCo Conference Girls' Flag Football season, building off the District pilot conducted in 2023–24. In addition, the District was the primary sponsor for the WIAA amendment to sanction Girls' Flag Football as an official WIAA sport beginning in the 2025–26 school year. The amendment passed in the spring of 2025.

LWS D continues to expand inclusive athletic opportunities as well. Unified soccer programs were offered at all four comprehensive high schools during the spring season, providing interscholastic athletic experiences for students with disabilities. Participation in Unified soccer doubled from the previous year, and the district anticipates continued growth in both participation and program offerings.

Middle school athletics continues to set records for participation, with last year being no exception. Middle school programming was modified in 2024–2025 to move to three seasons of participation, and more time to offer programs in response to individual schools' student voice. While continuing to offer interscholastic opportunities in all the traditionally offered sports, the new model allows time for more intramural participation in activities based on student interest at a particular school. These intramurals may help change future interscholastic offerings should student interest favor a shared activity across the District.



CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) AND COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS (CCR) EXTRACURRICULARS

Students enrolled in a CTE course have the opportunity to extend their learning through Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) or CTE clubs aligned with each program area:

- Agriculture
- Business
- Computer Science

- Human Services
- Skilled and Technical Arts
- STEM/Engineering

These organizations provide students with opportunities to compete at both the state and national levels. During the 2024–25 school year, more than 3,000 students participated in CTE clubs.



DECA (Business and Marketing Clubs of America) had exceptionally high student involvement with 1,300 students participating in our high schools and over 600 students qualifying for the state competition and 160 for the international competition. Lake Washington School District had 75 students place as finalists or better at the International Leadership Conference with several finishing in first and second place. One student was named to the 2025-26 International Executive Officer Team.

Other CTE clubs continued to increase participation with extraordinary state and national success. Technology Student Association (TSA) had 60 students finishing in the top three at state competition with many moving on to the National Competition. They compete in areas such as:

- Engineering
- Data Science
- Biotechnology
- Computer Science
- Video Design
- Robotics
- Digital Technology

The Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA) continues to grow with clubs at Eastlake High School (EHS), International Community School (ICS), Juanita High School (JHS) and Lake Washington High School (LWHS). We had 90 individuals and teams finishing in first place at the State Leadership Conference and many more qualifying to compete at nationals. Lake Washington's Future Farmers of America (FFA) team had 13 placings at the State Convention with the Food Science & Technology team finishing second in state.



Participation in CTE clubs has also increased at the middle school level. Kirkland Middle School, Finn Hill Middle School, and EAS won numerous first place awards at the Technology Student Association (TSA) state competition. Timberline Middle School has an active VEX Robotics Club that competes at both the state and national level.



Expansion of our culinary programs also led to increased involvement in culinary clubs and the district-wide culinary competition for both middle and high school students.

CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) AND COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS (CCR) EXTRACURRICULARS

These extracurricular and experiential learning opportunities complement the academic program and provide students with meaningful ways to explore interests, develop new skills, and build connections within their school communities. Whether through leadership roles, artistic expression, STEM exploration, athletics, or career-focused activities, students have opportunities to engage beyond the classroom in ways that support collaboration, creativity, and personal growth. These experiences help strengthen student engagement while reinforcing the district's commitment to providing well-rounded learning opportunities for all students.

CTE Student Leadership Organizations 2024-25

- **Art Club/Art and Design Club:**
KaMS, RMS
- **ASL Honors Society:**
EHS, JHS, LWHS, RHS
- **AVID Club:**
JHS, LWHS
- **Baking Club:**
FHMS
- **Biotech Club:**
JHS
- **Computer Science Honor Society:**
EHS
- **Culinary Club:**
EMS, FHMS, IMS, LWHS, RHMS, RHS, RMS
- **DECA (Business & Marketing):**
EHS, JHS, LWHS, RHS
- **Digital Media Club:**
RHMS
- **Environmental Club:**
EHS, TSHS
- **Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA):**
TSHS
- **Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA):**
KaMS, TMS
- **Future Farmers of America (FFA):**
LWHS

- **Film Club:**
RHS
- **FIRST Robotics:**
EHS
- **French Baking Club:**
KiMS
- **Garden Club:**
EmHS
- **Girls Who Code:**
EHS, RHS
- **HOSA - Health Sciences Club:**
EHS, ICS, JHS, LWHS
- **Literary Magazine Club:**
JHS
- **Marine Science Club:**
EHS
- **National Art Honors Society:**
RHS
- **Neuro-Psych Club:**
JHS
- **Photo Club Kangs Who Click:**
LWHS
- **Science Olympiad:**
RHS, TSHS
- **Skills USA-Competition Flight Club:**
KaMS
- **STEAM Club:**
LWHS
- **Technology Student Association (TSA):**
EAS, EHS, FHMS, JHS, KiMS, LWHS, RHMS, RHS, TSHS
- **VEX Robotics Club:**
IMS, TMS
- **Videogame Development Club:**
RHS

*EAS – Environmental & Adventure School
EHS – Eastlake High School
FHMS – Finn Hill Middle School
ICS – International Community School
IMS – Inglewood Middle School
JHS – Juanita High School
KaMS – Kamiakin Middle School*

*KiMS – Kirkland Middle School
LWHS – Lake Washington High School
RHMS – Rose Hill Middle School
RMS – Redmond Middle School
RHS – Redmond High School
TSHS – Tesla STEM High School
TMS – Timberline Middle School*