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Lake Washington High School PTSA

School

Fun Sock Day - Thursday, March 21st!

Have your student wear their most FUN SOCKS to show support for those in our community with Down syndrome

Join LWHS in celebration of World Down Syndrome Day on March 21st. Each year the voice of people with Down syndrome, and those who live and work with them, grows louder. Help us create a global voice advocating for the rights, inclusion, and well being of people with Down syndrome. The March 21st date was selected to signify the uniqueness of the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome. [Click here for more info!](#)



Thank you for your amazing Kang Support of these special students - it's all about Abilities not Disabilities!

Gwen Harbi and Lisa Earl
LWHS PTSA Special Needs Liasons

Fear Free SAT Practice Test

Have your student register for the Fear Free SAT Practice Test with the Princeton Review. The Fear Free tests are a great way to get comfortable with the format and style of the SAT in a stress free environment.

The SAT practice test will be Saturday, April 20th in the LWHS library from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. [Click here to register!](#)

Martha Rames
Fear Free ACT/SAT Testing Chair

College Opportunities in the Arts: Theater, Dance, Film, Music and Art Today! Wednesday, March 20th

Sophomores and Juniors are welcome to join us at 12:55 pm in the LWHS Library

If your student's passion is dance, theater, film, music or

art - or if they just want to keep taking these classes in college or join an ensemble - then this College Application Workshop presentation is made for them! Sharron Starling, Director of Admissions at Cornish College of the Arts, will be here to talk about art programs in general, as well as what Cornish offers. This is a great time to learn the difference between a BA and BFA, about portfolios and auditions, and to ask lots of questions.

Encourage your student to join us for loads of information along with pizza and chocolate!

Upcoming presentations:

- March 27th: Choosing Computer Science...Is This the Major for You?
- April 3rd: College Planning, Part II: What to Consider in Your College Search, including College Visit Strategies

These PTSA-sponsored presentations are held Wednesdays after school at 12:55 pm, with pizza and snacks provided. Presentations are open to all students at no cost. Registration is not required. We encourage parents to ask their kids what they learned at these student-only presentations.

Click the button for a complete list of presentation topics.

Please contact [Debbie Cossey](#) or [Judy Shedd](#) for more information.

[Judy Shedd](#)
LWHS PTSA College Application Workshop Chair



Improv and Shakespeare at LWHS

Friday, April 5th at 7:00 pm
LWHS Theater

Join us for a night of crazy, wild fun! The LWHS Improv Team will perform with suggestions from you, the audience! Afterwards, local professionals Nick Terry, Michael Ward, and Gabe Much will be performing *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare Abridged*. All proceeds go to supporting the LWHS Theatre Club.

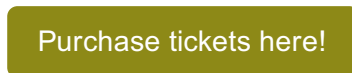
Ticket prices:

- \$5 Students w/ASB, Kids under 10, Seniors over 60, Military
- \$10 General Admission

[Online tickets](#) available up to 12 hours before showtime. Tickets at the door are cash or check only.

[Morgan Heetbrink](#)
LWHS Drama

TICKETS	RESERVATIONS	LOCATION	SHOWTIMES
\$10 Adults/General Admission. \$5 Students w/ASB, Seniors (60+), Military w/ID, Children under 10	Online: brownpapertickets.com At the door: Cash or check only (NO Credit or debit cards).	Lake Washington High School PAC 12033 NE 80th Street, Kirkland, WA 98033	April 5 at 7:00 pm



From the Counseling Center

Planning a College Road Trip?

Summer is the perfect time for juniors and their parents to pack their bags and head off to college campuses. For many students, these visits are the deciding factor where applications will be sent in the fall. Here are some things to keep in mind:

1. Colleges go to great lengths to impress you and your parents (those who pay the bills). Expect perky, engaging tour guides to show you the very prettiest parts of the campus. If you know this from the beginning, you will not be (as easily) swept off your feet.
2. One of the best ways to get a feel for any college campus is to break free of structured tours and hang out—in the student union building or a local coffee shop near the campus.
3. If possible, stay the night at one of the dorms, eat in the cafeteria, take a jog through the campus, and/or attend a sporting event. Keep in mind that if it is summer, some of the buildings will be closed and, more importantly, the campus won't be nearly as crowded as it will be in the fall.
4. Take an unofficial copy of your high school transcript and know your test scores. Make an appointment to meet with an admissions person and sit down with your list of questions. Do your homework; go prepared with comments and questions that reflect your interest and knowledge about the school.
5. Talk. Talk to students and adults on campus. Talk to the barista at the coffee bar or the salesperson at the book store. Just talk.
6. Take pictures of each college and log where the picture was taken. You will be surprised at how similar college dorms and buildings and rec centers start to all look alike.

And if you're not planning a road trip? No problem. Get on line and take a virtual tour of the campus. Read the campus newspaper and student run blogs. This is a great way to learn about the issues the planned tours don't mention (issues with the administration and budget cuts, for example). Take a look at the list of clubs available; clubs grow out of student interests.

Remember, it is all about fit. While one student will see the gym as paradise, another will look to the library. And that's what makes this search an adventure—and extremely personal. Keep in mind, though, that if you aren't admitted to your 'perfect fit' school, there will be your second choice, and even third. And if statistics are correct, you will still love the school where you end up attending.

Marilyn Hargraves
LWHS Counseling Center

Seniors

Senior Party: Looking Ahead

Don't wait to purchase tickets to this once-in-a-lifetime evening for Seniors. The ticket prices increase from \$180 to \$200 on May 1st. Seniors must purchase a ticket to do Bus Sign-Ups, which will start after Spring Break. Tickets include transportation, food, activities and entertainment all-night long. Tickets are non-refundable.

When: Monday, June 17th - after Graduation Ceremony
Start Time: 9:00 pm (check-in begins) at LWHS
End Time: 5:30 am on Tuesday, June 18th at LWHS

Completed Release Forms are required for Bus Sign-Ups. See [information page](#) for details and required forms.



Click here for more info!

PTSA Council Scholarships Available

The Lake Washington PTSA Council is pleased to roll out its 2019 Scholarship Program! Each year in the spring, Council offers several student scholarships and two \$500 staff scholarships. This year's Student Scholarship Program will include 12 scholarships of \$1,250 each plus up to 3 at-large scholarships as approved at the February 2019 LWPTSA Council meeting:



- 8 Merit scholarships
- 1 Education scholarship
- 1 Perseverance scholarship
- 1 Turn around scholarship
- 1 L.E. Scarr 2 year, technical or vocational scholarship
- NEW: 3 at-large scholarships

Applications for both staff and student scholarships are due by 3:00 pm on **April 1, 2019**. The Scholarship Program is funded by money raised at the Council's annual Scholarship Basket Auction, by annual donations from the 43 PTSA's in the LWSD, and by donations from the greater community.

Download the [Student Scholarship Application](#)

Download the [Staff Scholarship Application](#)

For more information, contact [Yumna Green](#), LWPTSA Scholarships Chair

PTSA

March PTSA Meeting and Parent Ed - Save the Date!

Wednesday, March 27th, LWHS Library

Parent education: Anne Holmdahl, Common Sense College Counseling

Our March LWHS PTSA General Membership meeting will be held Wednesday, March 27th. You won't want to miss our very popular guest speaker, Anne Holmdahl of Common Sense College Counseling. Anne will be presenting her extensive knowledge of the college prep arena. She has worked with hundreds of students to help them navigate the path through high school into college. She will also be sharing information around the AP Capstone program that was just launched this school year at LWHS. As always, social time will begin at 6:30 pm, a brief business meeting starts at 7:00 pm, followed by our guest speaker. Hope to see you there!

[Tere Kaulfus](#)

LWHS PTSA President

Elections for LWHS PTSA Board 2019-2020 School Year

(posted 3/11/2019 on the LWHS PTSA website)

The 2018-2019 Lake Washington High School PTSA Nominating Committee places the following names in nomination for the 2019-2020 LWHS PTSA Board:

Co-President: Tere Kaulfus and Denise Campbell

VP Communication: Colette Ulloa

VP Ways and Means: Jody Lallas
VP School Support: Anne Buck
VP Student Programs: Brandi Comstock
Secretary: Karen Tipp
Treasurer: OPEN

Respectfully Submitted,
2018-2019 Nominating Committee: Karen Tipp, Irene Neumann and Pam Hay

The nominating committee has confirmed that all nominees have been a member of a PTSA for at least 15 days prior to the election, and meet other requirements as stated in the WSPTA Uniform Bylaws. The Election of Officers is planned for the General Membership meeting on March 27, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

Coffee with Christina

Date: Wednesday, April 3rd
Time: 9:00-10:00 am
Where: LWHS Career Center

Come join us as for coffee, snacks and conversation as we get an update from LWHS Principal, Christina Thomas. Learn what's new at LWHS and have a chance to ask questions.

Tere Kaulfus
LWHS PTSA President



Charting College and Your Student's Post Graduation Path Tuesday, April 23rd, Noon - 2:00 pm Lake Washington Resource Center, Redmond Town Center

Join us on April 23rd to hear from all four LWSD College and Career Specialists (CCSs). Come meet the CCS Team and learn about services that can assist with post high school options and college requirements for your student.

Questions? Contact Irene Neumann
LWHS PTSA Family and Community Engagement Chair

[Click here for more information!](#)

LWHS Reflections Winner to Compete at Nationals

Congratulations to **Muyan Zhou** for winning the Washington State PTSA Reflections Outstanding Interpretation Award in Visual Arts for her work titled, "The Guardian." This is the highest award at the State level of the arts competition. Muyan will now represent LWHS and Washington state in the national Reflections competition. She also won a Gold Key for Scholastic Art & Writing Award with this Visual Arts entry.



Discounts for PTSA Members

It's never too late! Join the LWHS PTSA and take advantage of the following benefits:

- PBR at Tacoma Dome: save \$7 to \$10 on select seats, March 30th or 31st.
- Great Wolf Lodge: save up to 30% on your next stay
- LEGOBags.com: 50% off at LEGObags.com plus kids go free to LEGOLAND Parks or Discovery Centers.
- Tickets at Work: 20-70% off on movies, hotels, shows, concerts, sporting events and more.
- Office Depot: savings on school supplies, office products, technology, and more.

[Click here](#) to see the full list of benefits and discounts. Member benefits are available to all PTSA members.

[Click here to join!](#)

Have a Shout Out to Share?

Want to share stories of your student's individual or team accomplishments representing LWHS? We're happy to post them on our [LWHS PTSA Facebook page!](#) Submit your posting to social@lwhsptsa.org.

Events

LWHS PTSA Membership Meeting - March 27th, 6:30 pm

LWSF Spring Benefit Luncheon - March 28th

Coffee with Christina - April 3rd, 9:00 am

Improv and Shakespeare - April 5th, 7:00 pm

LWSD Spring Break - April 8th-12th

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