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LWEA sponsored Professional Development – Don't Miss it!

We are pleased to be able to offer quality professional development opportunities to our members. Please take a few minutes to view some of the different courses being offered over the next few months:

<u>Getting Game Based Learning into your Classroom</u>: This workshop is designed to use research supported game based and gamification learning into classrooms across the content areas. Game based learning and gamification leverages student interest in problem solving and uses project based learning. This training meets the professional and continuing elementary and secondary certificate renewal requirements for STEM and TPEP. This class is Saturday, November 3, from 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM. Register by completing the registration <u>flyer</u>.

<u>Certification 101</u>: Do you have questions about certification requirements, timelines, and continuing education requirements? Do you need to know the difference in certification types and how much time and energy it will take to renew? Participants will explore the certification requirements and policies and the impact on certification – including STEM, TPEP, and others. Learn how to use the e-certification system to make the process easier. In addition, the new National Board process will be explained. This class is Thursday, November 8, from 4:30 – 7:30 PM. Register by completing the registration <u>flyer</u>.

Newbie Nights: We've designed 5 evening sessions especially for teachers with 6 or fewer years of teaching experience. Our next session is Thursday, November 29, from 4:30 – 7:30 PM. The focus is "Navigating the use of Technology in your Classroom". Register by contacting <u>Terri Neely</u> in the LWEA office. See the <u>flyer</u> for more information and topics for future sessions.

Special Education Safety – Creating a Safe Environment for Special Populations: Participants will discuss appropriate placement, services and steps to take when injury occurs. In addition, participants review: Discipline changes in general education, discipline procedures in special education, restraint and isolation regulation and court cases involving staff injuries. This class is Thursday, December 6 from 4:30 – 7:30 PM. Register by completing the registration flyer.

Taking Charge of Your Future: Pre-retirement Seminar: This 10-hour seminar is designed for those who are within 5 years of retirement. It covers a wide variety of subjects from social security and financial aspects to personal and lifestyle changes (and so much more!) that comes with that big decision. Register by completing the registration flyer. The first seminar is on Friday, Dec 7 from 5:00 – 8:00 PM and Saturday, Dec 8 from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM. All sessions are limited to 20 participants – act quickly to reserve your place.

Looking for more Professional Development? Check the <u>LWEA website</u> regularly as we continue to add more classes throughout the school year! Questions? Contact <u>Terri Neely</u> or call the LWEA office at 425-822-3388.

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Pool amounts set

Each year after the close of the open enrollment period for health benefits, the Business Office calculates the amount of the insurance pool. This year the State Allocation is \$843.97 per full time FTE employee to be used for benefits. State law requires that after everyone has made their basic benefits selections, any leftover money must go into an insurance pool. This pool is used to help full-time employees with medical premium in excess of the monthly available funds. (The pool is not available to part-time employees.)

The pool amount for the 2018-19 school year has been set. Full time teachers will be able to spend up to \$878.29 per month (\$897.59 if you are on Willamette Dental instead of Delta Dental) for their medical insurance after all other mandatory benefits have been paid. Selection of medical coverage in excess of this amount will result in a deduction from the employee's paycheck. These changes will be effective with the October payroll (10/31 paycheck).

Keep in mind that under state law, school districts must set a minimum monthly medical benefit contribution for employees. We've negotiated that minimum to be \$10 per month.

Remember that your ballot must be postmarked by November 6!



Review of Building Budgets

Our negotiated agreement with the District requires building principals to present copies of the building budget and carry-over funds to interested staff members for discussion by November 15.

This is a great opportunity for you to discuss with your principal how your building resources are being spent. You may want to check with your principal to see when your staff

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Consider these groups as United Way choices

<u>LW Schools Foundation</u>: The Foundation raises funds to support academic excellence and success for all students in LWSD. All children have the potential to succeed if they are given support, resources and inspiration, and the Foundation is dedicated to working with schools to make each one a great place to learn.

The Foundation provides extra resources to support quality teaching and equal access to educational opportunities, and to help develop students' future-ready skills. Some of the ways these are accomplished are by awarding classroom grants, supporting the LINKS mentoring program, and assisting low-income students with academic expenses.

Include LWSF in your **United Way** charitable automatic payroll deduction. It's easy and convenient!

Assistance League of the Eastside: This all-volunteer non-profit organization puts caring and commitment into action through community-based philanthropic programs in order to make a positive difference in the lives of children and adults touched by hardship or violence.

Operation School Bell[®] is a program that touches many school children in this community by providing new school clothes to elementary and middle school students who are identified by their counselors. Of the students who directly benefit from receiving new clothing, over half of these students are in the Lake Washington School District.

On a United Way contribution form, you may designate this organization by writing in "Assistance League of the Eastside," 16541 Redmond Way PMB 291C, Redmond, WA 98052.

WEA Children's Fund: You can designate the WEA Children's Fund when contributing to the United Way Campaign. Donations are tax deductible and giving is easy. Use this **link** to find out more.

New TPEP Professional Development Requirement for Certificate Renewal

Beginning on September 1, 2019, renewal applications for professional and continuing teacher, administrator, and CTE certificates must document completion of at least 15 clock hours, or at least one goal from an annual Professional Growth Plan (PGP), related to the knowledge and competency of the teacher and principal evaluation criteria or system. This is not required for *residency* certificate renewal.

The TPEP certificate renewal requirement is considered to be met by holders of a valid National Board Certificate.

Please note: This requirement is not for a "TPEP 101" type of course every five years. The requirement is that the professional development is aligned to at least one of the state's eight TPEP criteria.

For more detailed information, please visit the <u>TPEP Certificate Renewal</u> <u>Requirement</u> page on the Professional Educator Standards Board (PESB) website.

Resources for Teachers:

- OSPI TPEP Information
- Professional Growth Plan (PGP)
- Washington Education Association TPEP
- TPEP FAQ

Please address any certification questions to Sue Anderson at OSPI: Sue.anderson@k12.wa.us

Or contact OSPI's Certification Office:

(360) 725-6400 - Office Email: Cert@k12.wa.us

Website: http://www.k12.wa.us/certification

Marketplace

Ads are run in the Update on a first come, first served basis. All ads need to be in written form. Send directly to **Sheila Hagerman** in the LWEA office.

All ads are subject to the approval of the LWEA Executive Committee and may be edited for length.



Oct 31
Ghosts & Goblins

Nov 3
Game Based
Learning Course

Nov 4
Daylight Saving Time
"Fall Back"

Nov 7Wine & Wisdom
JJ Mahoney's

Nov 8 Cert 101 Course

Nov 13
Exec Committee Mtg



Daylight Savings Time ends this Sunday, November 4!

Don't forget to fall back!

FOR SALE

2005 <u>Buick Le Sabre Custom</u> Super reliable, excellent condition (interior/exterior), smoothest ride ever, leather seats, huge trunk space, clean record. Photos available. 79,100 miles. \$5,300 Paul Blair, retired. Call 425-488-8891

<u>DJI Inspire 1v2 Drone</u>, \$1,500 Rarely used, never crashed, no scratches. Extra battery, polarizing filter, x3 camera, battery charger, controller and case. Sold new for \$2,200. Contact Ken Johnson @ 206-999-7454

<u>Avalanche Studded Snow Tires</u>, Used 1 season then stored inside. Over \$800 new, selling for \$450 OBO Contact Kimberly Miller (Transportation) @ 253-205-5360

FOR RENT

Kirland Rental 1.2 miles from Costco, 1,050 SF, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, remodeled daylight basement apartment with a new custom kitchen, new floor, dishwasher, microwave, fireplace, washer & dryer. Rental available immediately in South Rose Hill **\$2,100**. There is a separate entrance, private backyard with 20' x 20' covered patio, one parking space off road, room for a 2nd car on the street. Cat OK. Contact Doug @ 206-264-4424 (Harriet Peterson, Northstar)

