

June 12, 2019

#### **REMINDER: LEAP Course Closing Date June 14**

#### **Wednesday LEAP Clock Hour Class**

#### From Professional Learning:

Over 1,300 educators participated in the district's Wednesday LEAP course, offered for the first time on the new Professional Learning Management System, Cornerstone. Through participation in the Wednesday LEAP curriculum, educators had access to as many as 30 free TPEP clock hours.

In past years, we have been able to accept late paperwork and award clock hours. This year, with coursework taking the form of electronic reflections on Cornerstone, we will be unable to make ANY exceptions for teachers who might hope to be awarded clock hours past the closing date of June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Once the course has closed, it will be impossible to reopen it to accommodate individual requests. Teachers need to make sure they have completed all their reflections in advance of the June 14<sup>th</sup> closing date.

### Our Building Reps Are Amazing

Building Reps are a valuable link between the LWEA and all the members in their buildings. We could not support our members without their hard work and dedication. Take time to thank your building reps and consider becoming a rep for the 2019-20.

A huge thank you to all Building Reps for your support and commitment.



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#### **SEBB Fact Sheets**

The Legislature has approved and funded a new health care system for K-12 school employees that begins in January 2020. The new School Employees Benefits Board (SEBB) program will replace the existing health insurance negotiated locally in each school district. That means all K-12 public school employees will have a new insurance plan beginning January 2020.

More information will be sent out in the fall. Until then use the links below to view the latest facts about SEBB.

https://www.washingtonea.org/ourvoice/health-benefits/

or

https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/school-employees-benefits-board-sebb-program/sebb-fact-sheets

# **Electing Building Reps for 2019-20**

Elections for building reps for the 2019-20 school year can be held now or in August, whichever works for your building.
Elections should be conducted by secret ballot by someone who is not running for the rep position.

Please report the results of your election to the LWEA office. Send results to either <u>Terri Neely</u> or <u>Sheila Hagerman</u>.

Leadership training for building reps will be held in August, date TBD.



#### **LGBTQ Affinity Group**

Interested LWEA members are exploring the possibility of forming an organization for members who identify as part of the LGBTQ community. This would involve the creation of an affinity group that is a safe space for teachers in the LGBTQ community to come together, build connections and provide mutual support in navigating the public education system for themselves and their students.

An initial meeting was originally scheduled for Monday June 17<sup>th</sup> but due to high school graduations the date has been changed to THURSDAY JUNE 13<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm at Sam's Tavern (15740 Redmond Way, Redmond). We hope this change will allow more folks to join us as we begin exploring the possibility of an affinity group sponsored by LWEA, in accordance with the LWEA Policy for the Formation of Committees and Commissions. If you cannot attend on Thursday June 13th but have ideas or interests you would like to share, please contact Vicki McCarter at <a href="mailto:vmccarter@lwsd.org">vmccarter@lwsd.org</a>

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#### **End of Year Bits and Pieces!**

We thought it would be helpful for you to have a list of "bits and pieces" of important information that might help you at this very busy time of the year.

- √ Summer paychecks: Direct deposit pay information will be available online through LWSD Employee Access one business day before the money is actually deposited.
- √ Waiting for a transfer? If you're waiting to hear about a transfer, make sure
  you check your work e-mail every day during the summer. You have two
  business days to respond to a transfer. Keep in mind that you can turn down
  one transfer offer and still stay on the list. If you turn down the second offer,
  your name will be dropped from the list and you'll remain in your current position.
- √ Cash-out of unused Annual Leave: To prevent the automatic cash out of your
  unused Annual Leave, send an e-mail to leave@lwsd.org by June 30. Keep a copy
  of the e-mail and the auto-response for your records.
- ✓ On leave next year? If you plan to be on leave for all or part of next year and would like to receive weekly issues of the Update, contact <u>Sheila Hagerman</u> at the LWEA office. We'll be happy to put you on our e-mail list so you can keep up with what's going on while you are away.
- √ Insurance savings: A+ Auto and Home Insurance program, the NEA-endorsed auto and home insurance company, has very competitive rates and specially tailored policies for educators. Call Customer Service (A+ program) at 888-497-1090 for more information or a quote. Many members report having saved significant amounts of money by switching to this plan.
- √ Member benefits: Check out the NEA Member Benefits website for all kinds of programs and discounts that have been approved by the Association and are available to you as an NEA member.



Enjoy the sunshine .....

Remember your sunscreen!!

## **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.



June 16 Father's Day



June 18
Retirement Reception
At RC

June 20
Secondary Grades Due
Last Day of School
Half Day

SUMMER!!

# **Seattle Storm Discounted tickets for Teacher Appreciation Night!**

Kaiser Permanente presents Teacher Appreciation Night with the Seattle Storm on Friday June 28. We're celebrating teachers and school staff at the Storm game with discounted game tickets.

Visit stormpromos.com/TEACHER to learn more.

We hope to see you at the game!

Your friends at Kaiser Permanente

#### **WANTED**

<u>Covered Storage</u>: for a 22 ft RB in the Redmond/Woodinville area. Contact Janice 205-484-5386 (Janice Korsmo, retired)

#### **FOR SALE**

<u>Futon</u>: Queen size. Light birch wood with mattress and cover. Used as classroom couch. \$25 Contact Nici at <a href="mailto:mnbaughman@comcast.net">mnbaughman@comcast.net</a> (Nici Baughman, Mead)

<u>Need a New or Used Car</u>? Call Mark for a pressure-free car buying experience at 206-795-5586. Many LWSD employees are happy customers! (Wendy Baker, Alcott)

