



Update - Stay Connected

February 6, 2020

Changes Are Coming to the Update!

LWEA has historically used district email to communicate our Update. However, we face new challenges as an association and must evolve to meet those challenges. We will be moving our Update off LWSD email addresses and into more private communication.

Why the change?

- Public records requests from the Freedom Foundation, which actively work against our student and teacher interests, mean we need to be able to communicate with more privacy.
- All emails we send via school email are subject to public records request, and we want the ability to have private communications with our members.
- Most large education associations (like LWEA) have moved to a more efficient and private system of communication; our goal is to modernize our communications by following their example.
- We still maintain our trust agreement with LWSD and continue to collaborate and work with LWSD on issues that are of concern to our members. The reasoning for this transition has nothing to do with LWSD.

Can I still use my LWSD account for union communication? Yes you can.

- We are encouraging people to use their home email if they would like to ensure that the communication is private and not subject to a records request.

How should I contact LWEA Leadership? Please use their WEA email accounts.

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When will this change happen?

- We want to be intentional and give people time to adjust to this change.
- Our goal is to move all Update communication to home email and text by **May 1**, 2020.

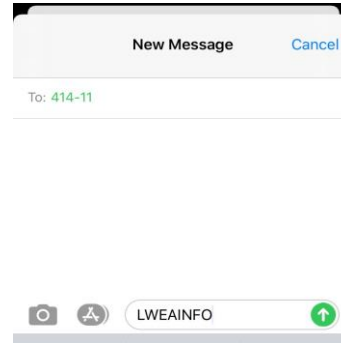
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On May 1, where can I find the Update?

- On the newly created text line, on your home email and on the LWEA website.



Join the text line today by texting LWEAINFO to 414-11

Social Justice and Climate Change

Do you have an interest to learn more about Social Justice and Climate Change? Here is an opportunity to attend a Cross Border Conference 2020 in Surrey BC. The theme is “Teachers Rise for Climate Justice”. The conference is being hosted by the Surrey Teachers Association and takes place on Saturday, February 29 (noon-7:30) at Kwantlen Park Secondary School in Surrey, BC. Check out the website <http://crossborderconference.weebly.com/> for session descriptions. If you are interested in attending, email [Terri Neely](mailto:Terri.Neely@lwea.org) for information on how your LWEA membership works for you!

Join the Surrey Teachers' Association and other Pacific Northwest educators on Feb. 29 for a day of networking, social justice workshops focused on addressing climate change and the exploration of teaching for joy and justice.

The keynote speaker for this year's [Leaping Into Action -- Teachers Rise for Climate Justice Conference](#) is a panel of teen climate activists, facilitated by Claudia Ruitenber, professor at University of British Columbia, whose work speaks about how teachers set the table as hosts in their classes, creating the space for students to speak and learn.



WEA BOD, NEA RA Delegates and NEA State Director Elections

Online voting for the WEA Board of Directors, NEA RA Delegates and NEA State Director begins this Sunday, February 9. The window to vote is Feb. 9 through March 1. Watch your inbox for information on how to vote online. LWEA has a candidate on the ballot!

Voting information will be sent to the email you provided WEA on your membership form. If you do not receive an email, contact [Terri Neely](mailto:Terri.Neely@lwea.org) or [Lama Chikh](mailto:Lama.Chikh@lwea.org) to update your contact information.

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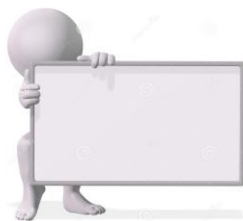
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Be the Change – Tell Us What You Want for Trainings

When members like you shared thoughts about WEA trainings by taking the WEA PreK-12 PD Survey in 2017, WEA responded with a variety of new courses in the highest priority areas you identified (certification, closing the opportunity gap, special education, STEM, workplace skills, etc.) offered in more regions.

As we move into a new decade, please help us shape our future offerings by participating in WEA's current Professional Development Network (PDN) [statewide survey](#). Your time is invaluable, so we'll keep it short—about 10 minutes.

Together we can effect change. But only with your help.

We look forward to reviewing your opinions and ensuring you have access to trainings you need, and we thank you for all work you do for our public schools and students.

LGBTQ WINTER GATHERING RESCHEDULED



Due to the recent snow days, the LGBTQ Winter Gathering was cancelled. We are RESCHEDULING it to **Thursday February 20th**. We will still be meeting at the LWEA office from 4:30 to 6:30 and a light dinner will be provided.

Please RSVP to vmccarter@lwsd.org

Professional Fund Dues Receipt 2019-20

Do not wait until the deadline to submit your Professional Funds receipts. You may submit your PF Reimbursement documents to Accounts Payable/Resource Center at any time. Beat the rush and submit prior to the June 1 deadline.

Download and complete the Dues Receipt now: [PF Receipt for Dues 2019-20](#)

LWEA Equity 4 All Conference

Saturday, March 28, 2020

8:00AM – 3:30PM

International Community School



Marketplace

Ads are run in the Update on a first come, first served basis. All ads must include a home email and/or phone number. Send directly to [Terri Neely](mailto:Terri.Neely@lwea.org) in the LWEA office.

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



Feb 8

Gamification PD

Feb 11

Rep Assembly

Feb 13-17

No School
Mid-Winter Break

Feb 14

Valentine's Day



Feb 17

Presidents Day

Friends in Need



Kelly Pease, Director, Intervention Services and Literacy: In Dec 2018, I had surgery and it failed within 3 months. In Nov 2019, I had repair surgery with anticipated recovery of 6 weeks. It has been determined I need additional time to recover. It is humbling to be in need; I want all of you who have been so supportive throughout the years of my unpredictable health to know that you are so appreciated.

Johanne Lund, Blackwell IA staff member is requesting sick leave donations. Her husband is ill and she staying home to care for him for the rest of the school year. If you can donate any sick leave, it would be greatly appreciated.

Summer work - Event Staffing - \$300/day + travel/meal expenses. Now recruiting event support in Las Vegas this July. (Approximately July 11-25, 2020, up to a 2+ week assignment). Seeking customer service excellence, event support, ability to walk, stand and kneel for long periods of time, willingness to travel, and applicants who are at least 21 years old. Please send resume to: careers@f1consultancy.com. For details contact Andrea at 425-979-3733.

FOR SALE: Mercury Mountaineer SUV 2003, one owner with regular maintenance, 98,500 miles, AWD. \$5,000 OBO Runs great. Text Scott 425-444-0713 for more info and pictures. (Miriam Brown, Sub)

FOR SALE: Contact Andrea Cothran (RHS) cothranpartyof2@gmail.com

- **Tommy Bahama Cooler** 100 quart, stainless steel, rolling cooler. Brand new, fully insulated on stand with lower storage area and basket. Folding side shelf, attached bottle opener w/cap catcher, holds up to 130 cans. \$125
- **Sawzall Reciprocating Saw** Milwaukee, heavy duty \$75
- **Table Saw** Black & Decker, small table saw w/8" induction motor. \$50

Spring Break Getaway: Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, Oregon. Condo available April 4-11, \$1,000/wk, sleeps 6, well-appointed and comfy. Great destination for outdoor recreation w/easy airport access, golf and breweries! Contact Julie 206-715-3357 (Julie Banchemo, Barton)

Vacation Home Rental: Lake Chelan home near Chelan State Park; super clean and in excellent condition! Sleeps 7 adults plus Aerobed and mats for up to 12; 4 bedroom/2 bath, Jacuzzi tub; laundry room; open-air lookout; large deck w/ outdoor furniture and BBQ. Spectacular lake views. Memorial Day through Labor Day Weekends - \$400/night. Before Memorial Day or after Labor Day - \$250/night. Taxes and cleaning fees are included in the price. Call or email LaRee for availability. 425-820-0766 or lareegh@gmail.com (LaRee Ghassemi, Rose Hill MS)

February Is:

