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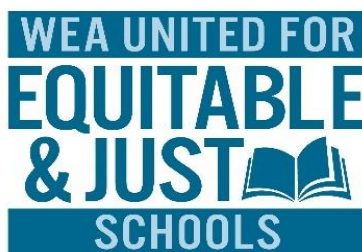
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Update - Stay Connected

February 23, 2022



Week 7 (day 44) of this year's legislative session, and things are happening! Stay informed and engaged through the [WEA Advocacy Blog](#).

1. Your legislators need to hear from **you** about **insufficient funding for educator COLAs**: the Senate draft budget released yesterday included insufficient funding for educator COLAs. Check out the blog to learn more and use the link to [contact your legislators](#)!
2. Loads of legislation in front of both chambers: [review the Week 6 blog post](#) to see how you can support (funding student mental health supports, making Juneteenth a school holiday, levy equalization funding, expanding graduation pathways, and much much more).

Your voice makes a big difference – let's get these bills over the finish line!

Lawmakers will begin voting on amendments to funding legislation at 4pm today, so take 2 min to send them a message!

Don't Delay The Time is NOW



Like Right Now - take 2 minutes

This impacts your salary!!

Virtual BEST Spring Symposium 2022



The Virtual BEST Spring Symposium is comprised of two events: The Mentor/Coach Equity in Action Conference and the BEST Grantee Convening. The Mentor/Coach Equity in Action Conference is open to all Washington state public-school mentors, coaches, educator leaders, and others who support novice educator induction. The BEST Grantee Convening is open only to current BEST Grantee teams.

The 2022 OSPI BEST Symposium registration is now open to the public. The Mentor/Coach Equity Conference is on March 9th and 10th. Several of our Nakia facilitators are presenting breakout sessions and are facilitating racial caucusing, and Brooke Brown is one of our keynotes.

Registration can be done through the link on the BEST website. The registration link is under the symposium logo. Click on the words "Registration is now open!" The cost of attending the conference is free, however, no stipends or reimbursements are offered.

- BEST website: <https://www.k12.wa.us/educator-support/beginning-educator-support-team/best-events-trainings>
- Direct link to registration: https://web.cvent.com/event/df0fd151-491c-4cac-8bce-c9b53748a042/summary?locale=en-US&tm=JgUCXkDa8tsSou24LhCGBu0ZiAwkiQrM-Xracvxt_xc

Belonging Conference: Equity and Family Engagement Department (Elevate: Equity)

Pre-school; K-5; 6-8; 9-12

Hello all certificated staff, come learn how to co-create and cultivate environments within which every student and staff member can thrive through a culture of dignity and belonging with keynote speakers Floyd Cobb and John Krownapple. Participants will also choose one additional session from a list of topics on equity and inclusion, including Engaging in Authentic Family Partnerships, Belonging for Indigenous Students, Fostering Belonging for LGBTQIA+ Students, and more.

The Belonging Conference Curriculum is composed of two parts: a **Keynote session** and a **choice session**. When registering for the Belonging Conference curriculum, participants must select the session of their choice to gain access to the corresponding Teams Meetings. All participants will be assigned the Keynote Speaker session. The live Keynote and the choice session Teams Meetings must be launched directly from Cornerstone. Register in advance to ensure access.

- Register on Cornerstone; Teams Live Event; 2.5 clock hours (Registration open 2/25/22 - 3/11/22)
- Find the Belonging Conference Curriculum in Cornerstone on **March 11th** and select **Open Curriculum** and then **Launch**
- Contact: Equity@lwsd.org and/or proflearn@lwsd.org

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2022 Levy Passes You Made It Happen!

A huge **Thank You** to everyone who posted a sign in their yard, street, window, or car. Everyone who knocked on doors, texted, phone banked or talked to friends and neighbors. YOU made this happen.

Lake Washington School District No. 414		
Ballots Counted: 39,545		
* Registered Voters: 121,714		
32.49 %		
Proposition No. 1		
Yes	23,187	58.82 %
No	16,231	41.18 %
Proposition No. 2		
Yes	23,557	59.70 %
No	15,902	40.30 %
Proposition No. 3		
Yes	21,977	56.50 %
No	16,918	43.50 %



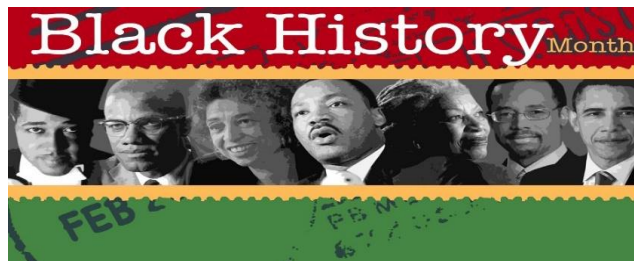
Friends in Need

Kristin Howard, Safety Net teacher/Blackwell is in need of shared leave as she continues to be out for an extended medical leave.

Miguel Viamonte, Rosa Parks Elem, is in need of shared leave due to ongoing medical issues.

Any support through shared leave donations is greatly appreciated. Please consider a **Shared Leave Donation** by filling out the donation form and sending it to HRLeaves@lwsd.org . Thank you.

Celebrate and Honor



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](#) in the LWEA office.



March 1

Exec Committee

March 8

Rep Assembly

March 11

Leap Day

No School

March 13

Daylight Savings Begins

March 15

Competency Teams

March 17

St. Patrick's Day

Brrrrr.....



Stay Warm

Scholarships available for ESP members

WEA is offering six scholarships of \$1,500 each this year to educational support professionals who are pursuing professional advancement through trades, technical or collegiate institutions. All current ESP members of a WEA local affiliate or bargaining unit are eligible to apply for a Warren G. Magnuson Educational Support Professional Scholarship. Three of the six grants are designated for an ESP member of color. [Read more and apply online](#) before April 4.

Additional asynchronous professional development courses available

WEA's Inclusionary Practices Project (IPP) just added 15 new professional development courses for a total of 51 courses where you can earn up to 188.5 clock hours, including 60 hours of STEM. The courses are free, provide clock hours, and available to all! For more information including the list of courses and registration links, please visit the [asynchronous courses page](#) on the WEA website.

Help select the next WEA ESA of the Year

Do you know an outstanding WEA Education Staff Associate (ESA) employee in your building or district? These are school psychologists, school counselors, school social workers, school nurses, speech and language pathologists and audiologists, occupational therapists, physical therapists and behavior analysts. Give our ESA peers some love, especially now, and recognize their impact on students in Washington. [Application](#) is due March 4.



Lake Chelan vacation condo at beautiful Wapato Pointe for rent. Seven night getaway before the school year starts, available August 14 through 21, 2022. Steps away from the large outdoor pool and hot tub.. Short walk to the beach. Two bedrooms, two bathrooms, sleeps six. Full kitchen. Air conditioned. Boat and jet-ski rentals on site. Park-like grounds. Rents for \$2100, with a \$500 non-refundable deposit required to hold. John Logan, retired. 425.330.2650, samjohnny1958@gmail.com