

# Superintendent's Weekly Update

Friday, May 24, 2019

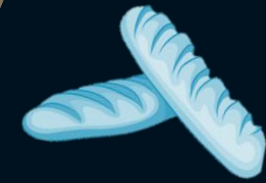
*Four Week Edition*

LAPV/ AI WILDCATS



*Celebrations and Pictures of Wildcat Scholars  
and the Dedicated Staff Who Serve Them*

Mrs. Scott's French class researched and prepared French dishes and enjoyed a formal meal. The authentic French five course dining experience included special guest servers. What a fun way to practice their French. Merci beaucoup Mrs. Scott for engaging our learners in such an meaningful project!



# Bon Appétit

Mrs. Scott's French Class

Nez Perce Education Standard:  
Experiential Learning



# 2018-2019 Superintendent's Student Cabinet

During our final meeting of the school year on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, these remarkable student leaders had a luncheon with Sonya Samuels-Allen and Lori Johnson of the Lapwai School District Board of Trustees. Their voices and input have been invaluable. We are incredibly proud of their professionalism and leadership this year. We will be calling for nominations again this fall. The Student Cabinet would like to thank all teachers and educational support professionals for their dedication. Qe'ciyew'yew'

Jared Marek, 4<sup>th</sup>



Mrs. Stamper is one of my favorite teachers because she is nice to me and reminds me to stay confident.

Larissa Moody, 5<sup>th</sup>



Mrs. Baldwin is one of my favorite teachers because I can tell the difference between her and all other teachers.

Michael Harris, 6<sup>th</sup>



Mr. Blyleven is one of my favorite teachers because he was always there when I was struggling.

# 2018-2019 Superintendent's Student Cabinet

The Student Cabinet would like to thank all teachers and educational support professionals for their dedication.

Hadley McCulley, 7th



Mrs. Chimburas is one of my favorite teachers because she makes her class fun.

LeBron Bronson, 8th



Mr. Kessler is one of my favorite teachers because his class was fun.

AJ Ellenwood, 9th



Mr. Blyleven is one of my favorite teachers because he was really cool and helped me through school.

Jordan Shawl, 10th



Mrs. Boyer is one of my favorite teachers because she got me to try and like new things. She gets me.

# 2018-2019 Superintendent's Student Cabinet

The Student Cabinet would like to thank all teachers and educational support professionals for their dedication.

Justin Rabago  
Johnson, 11<sup>th</sup>



Gracie Whiteplume,  
12<sup>th</sup>



Chloe Thompson, 12<sup>th</sup>



Students don't care how much you know until they know how much you care.



Mr. McCormack is one of my favorite teachers because he taught me so many things in life.

Mrs. Jenny Williams is one of my favorite teachers because she is always helpful and there for me every day.

Mrs. Scott is one of my favorite teachers because she is very engaging and likes to check up on me. Mr. Aiken is one of my favorite teachers because he does so much for me and helps me with so much.

Nez Perce Education Standard:  
Personal Sovereignty

Qe'ciyew'yew' Teachers &  
Educational Support Professionals

# Dance in Elementary P.E.

Students in Mrs. Melton's elementary P.E. classes have been engaged in dance instruction this year provided by the University of Idaho.



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Experiential Learning



# Indigenous Principles of Pedagogy

Lapwai Participants:  
*Verna Johnson*  
*Ena Raml*  
*Emma Shaffer*  
*Jake Genthos*  
*David Aiken*

Kamiah Participant:  
*Taylie Hopkins*



Coordinated by Nez Perce STEP in Partnership with Mathematize and LCSC



We would like to thank RunningHorse Livingston, Joyce McFarland, and Alicia Wheeler.



Onsite Training and Distance Learning:  
Instructor: RunningHorse Livingston, M.Ed., Mathematize Inc.



# Valedictorian & Salutatorian

On May 20<sup>th</sup> Dawn-Rose Ratcliff, Valedictorian, and Chloe Thompson, Salutatorian, were honored at the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Luncheon hosted by Clearwater Paper.

These amazing Wildcat Scholars also met with the Lapwai School Board of Trustees that evening to be recognized for their accomplishments. We are proud of you!



Nez Perce Education Standard:  
Evaluating Mastery





# Celebrations from 2018-2019



Record Breaking Average Daily Attendance:

*Both schools have maintained over 90% average daily attendance the entire school year!*

Competitive Go-On Rate:

*Students moving on to college within two years after graduation remains competitive with the state average.*

The Lapwai School District had the highest number of students enrolled in dual college credit than any other Native district in Idaho.

The Lapwai School District had the highest number of students apply for the Idaho Opportunity Scholarship than any other Native district in Idaho.

Plummer-Worley School District:

*The Plummer-Worley School District plans to visit our district in June to learn more about our school improvement efforts, curriculum, systems for improving attendance, and changes in policies and procedures.*



# Celebrations from 2018-2019



## Magna Award:

*The Lapwai School District was honored on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> in Philadelphia, PA at the National School Boards Association Annual Conference as a First Place Magna Award Winner. The only winners from Idaho in the award's history and the only Native district to be recognized this year. We won based on the following criteria:*

- Removing barriers to achievement for vulnerable or underserved children, based on race, ethnicity, gender, special needs, geography, or socioeconomic status*
- Supporting the school board's equity mission and vision for the district*
- Exhibiting success over time*
- Having longevity and sustainability*
- Can be replicated by other school districts with similar conditions and resources*



## Magna Award Publications:

*The award was featured in the American School Board Journal, Nimiipuu Tribal Tribune, Lewiston Tribune, and Slate Magazine of the Idaho School Boards Association.*



# Celebrations from 2018-2019



## School Improvement:

*Previously in school improvement status, our clear and shared focus in improving teaching and learning moved our district out of this determination this year. The recent identifications for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) schools did not include Lapwai this year*

## Idaho State Department of Education:

*The Lapwai School District will also be receiving an award and recognition this June at the Indian Education Summit in Boise.*

## Thank You to Our Partners :

*Recent awards are recognition of the unique collaboration occurring in the Lapwai School District which includes a dedicated school board and administrators, hardworking instructional staff, and close working relationship and support from the Nez Perce Tribe. We work closely with all Tribal departments including Education, Social Services/Child Protection, Tribal Police, Lapwai Community Coalition, and Nimiipuu Behavioral Health. Recently Nez Perce Tribal Police gifted our district with a student resource officer. We also have an excellent partnership with the city of Lapwai. City Council has included support of education in the majority of their grant applications.*

# Lewis-Clark State College

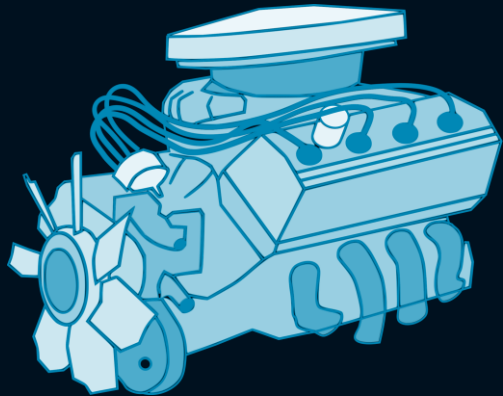
Collin Fehr from LCSC visited students in Mr. Maynes' class on May 14<sup>th</sup> about movement and sport sciences. Our students were very engaged!



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Teachers Are Guides

# Lewis-Clark State College

Jay Kimble from the LCSC Diesel Technology program came to visit Lapwai students in Mr. Maynes' class on May 16<sup>th</sup>.



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Teachers Are Guides

# Senior Class: College Starter Kit Gift Baskets



We have 33 seniors in the class of 2019 and would like to gift each one with a College Starter Kit Gift Basket to help send them off on their college journey.

This kit should include:

Giant Laundry Basket/Hamper

This will act as the gift basket they use in the library during graduation for gifts.

The baskets are not supposed to be very expensive, but are a great way to show our love and support to the senior class.

If you are able to support a senior basket or an item for a basket please contact Lapwai High School (208) 843-2241.

Baskets will be assembled by the BPA and current Junior class. Please plan to either bring in a full gift basket or donate to our college starter kits.

All Baskets will be given to seniors on May 31st following our Senior Event. Best Wishes to the Class of 2019.

## Possible Filler Items:

Towels/Washcloths

Toiletries

Lamps

Bedding (sheets, blankets etc.)

Tissue

Shower Shoes

School Supplies

Hangers

Gift Cards

Lapwai Specific Clothing

Calendar/Planner



# 5<sup>th</sup> Graders Teach Kindergarten

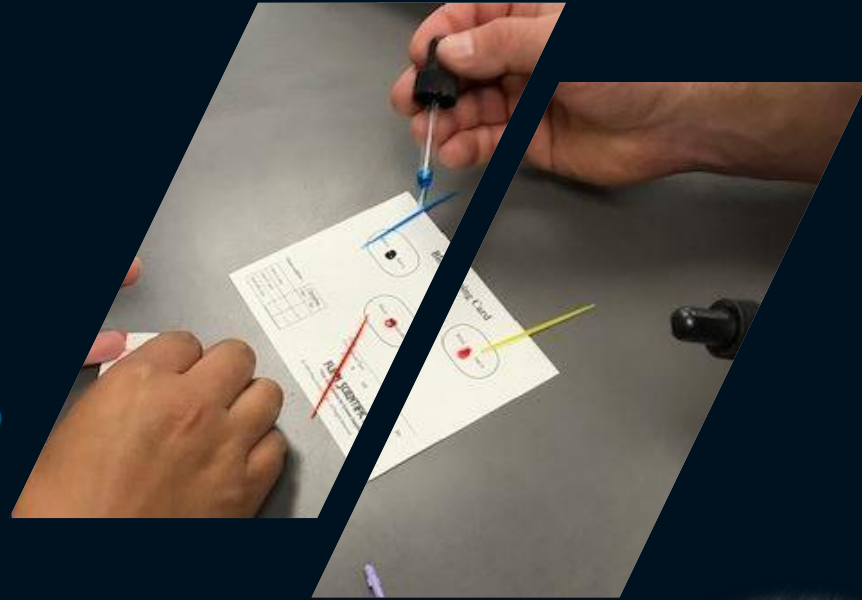
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Volunteering in Mr. Hayes' Kindergarten Classroom



Nez Perce Education Standard:  
Community Orientation

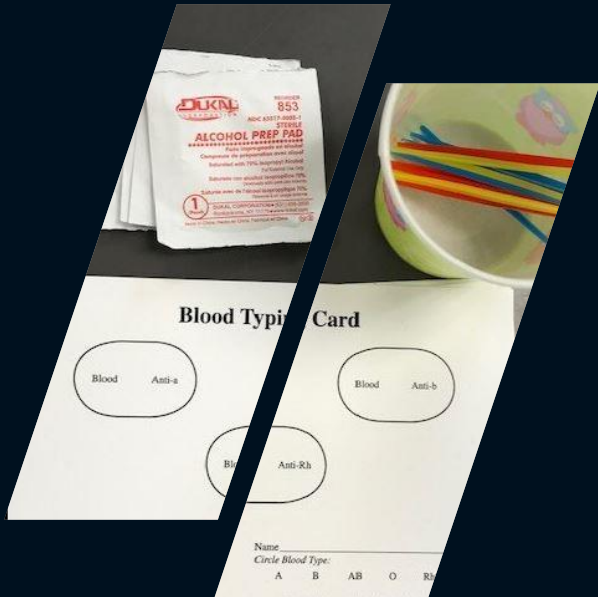


# Wildcat Scientists



Students are learning about blood typing in Mr. Genthos' biology class. Their objective is to explain how blood types are an example of codominance and multiple alleles and determine phenotype from their genotype.

Nez Perce Education Standard:  
Experiential Learning





# Middle-High School Choir Concert

Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

Directed by  
Emma Shaffer

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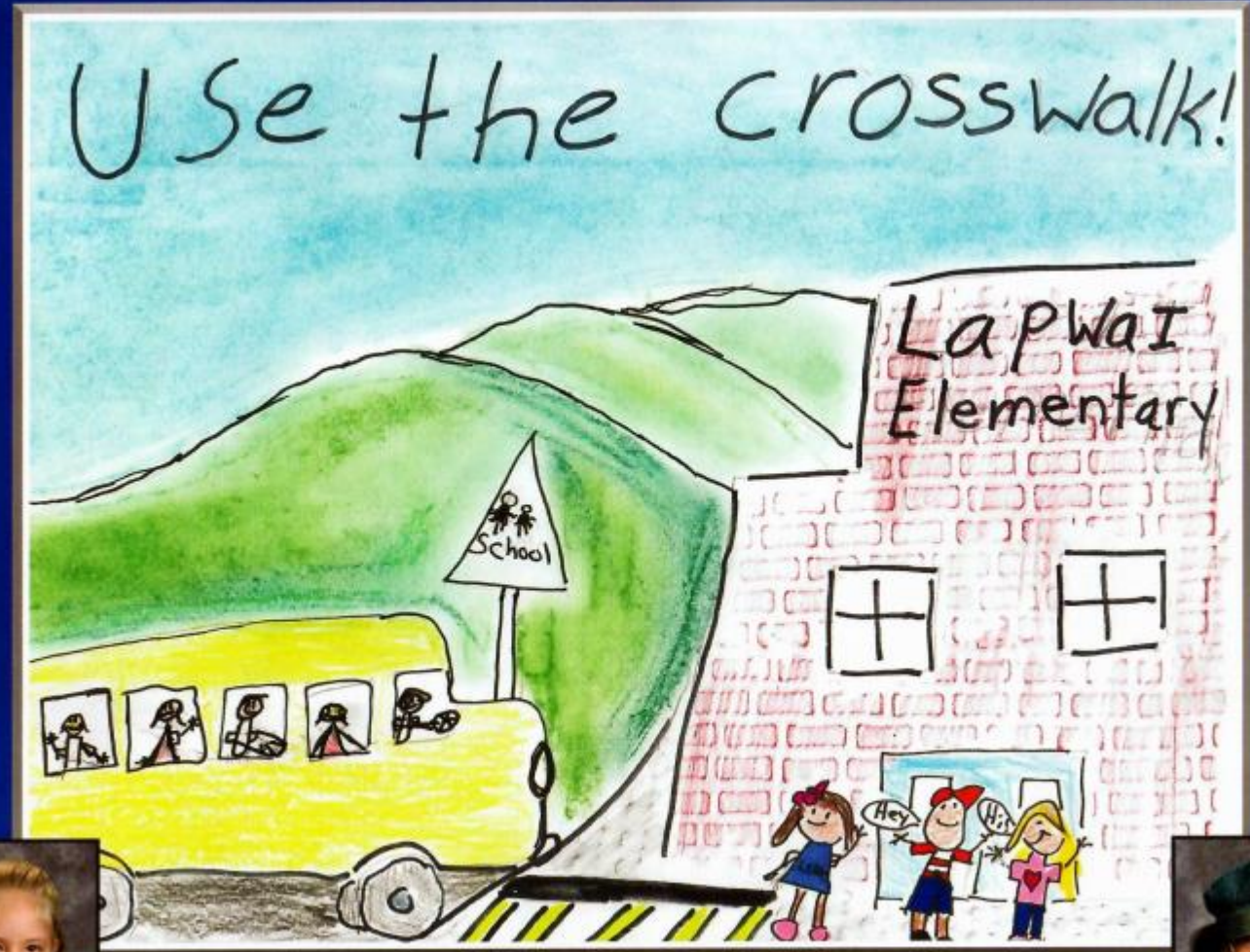


# 2019 Highway Safety Kids Calendar

Kambrin McCulley's art work is featured in the 2019 Highway Safety Kids Calendar.

Thank you Art Teacher, Ena Raml.

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Artist: Kambrin  
Grade 2, Lapwai



Teacher:  
Mrs. Rami



# Lapwai School District 2019 Student Pow Wow *Honoring Graduates & Retirees*

Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Lapwai High School Gymnasium



*Open to All Dancers PreK  
Through 12th Grade, Staff,  
and the Community*

*Locker Rooms Available  
at H.S. Gym*

Coordinated by the Nez Perce  
STEP Native Culture and  
Language Team with Support  
from the Lapwai School  
District Native Youth  
Community Project



# LAPWAI HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY

The background of the text features a large, light blue watermark of the school's mascot, a grizzly bear's head, facing forward with its mouth open, showing teeth.

**May 31<sup>st</sup>**

**6:00 PM**

**Lapwai High School Gym**

Presented The Nez Perce Tribe Veterans Program, The Alex M. Pinkham Jr. Family & Nez Perce Veterans

Tues., March 19, 1946



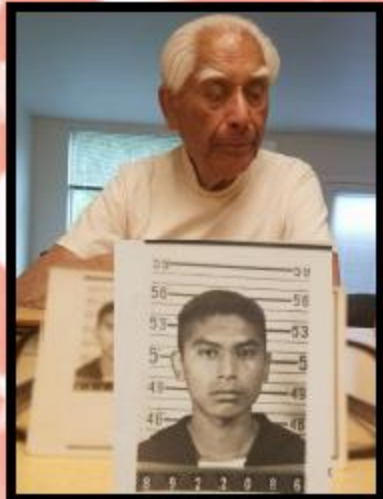
# World War II Veteran Honoring

the following: Alex M. Pinkham, Jr.,

## Alex M. Pinkham Jr.

### June 8, 2019 11:00 a.m.

### Pi-Nee-Waus Community Center



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JOIN US, AS WE HONOR & RECOGNIZE

OUR SOLE

NEZ PERCE WORLD WAR II VETERAN

& ELDEST NEZ PERCE



Meal to Follow  
side dishes are welcomed!

At Lapwai  
Elementary School

FREE & OPEN  
TO ALL AGES

# Lapwai

## Bike Clinic & Rodeo

Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Please wear appropriate foot ware, no flip-flops!

Helmets must be worn at all times while on a bicycle!

For more information, contact Jon @ [Jonm@cityoflapwai.com](mailto:Jonm@cityoflapwai.com)

- Lunch will be available for children through the Lapwai School District
- Food will be available for purchase in an effort to raise funds for the Ellenwood Family
  - Bicycle Drawings @ 2:30 pm  
Must be present to win
  - Palouse Bicycle Collective will be accepting old bikes and bike parts for recycling  
Old parts may also be dropped off at the City anytime
  - Bike Repair Clinic opens: 10 a.m.  
On site repairs, adjustments, and education  
Repair supplies & tools provided
  - Rodeo Obstacle Courses opens: 10 a.m.  
Several courses testing safety and skill including stopping, hand signals, yielding and obstacle dodging.

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# Lapwai Elementary Parent Newsletter

May 2019

