Lapwai School District Superintendent's Weekly Update

Friday, November 15, 2024

Celebrations & Pictures of Wildcat Scholars & the Dedicated Staff Who Serve Them

Lapwai Elementary



Alex Allen - 5 Jason George - 4 Terrie Gilbert - 3 Amaya Henry - 3 Brandon Jackson - 5 Bentley Layes - 4 Colt Loe - 4 Arayiella Montelongo - 2 Fenix Moses - 2 Stormy Moses - 5 Ransom Rickman - 3 Raquel Rickman - 1 Rorrie Rickman - 2 Nachyah Rickman-Ankney - 4 Hudson Speas - 4 Reagan Speas - 2 Glyn Stewart - 3 Carmen Wheeler - 3 Joseph Zimmeran - 2

Perfect Attendance 1st Quarter

August 27, 2024 to October 31, 2024

Lapwai Middle-High



Jesse James 9th Reece George 8th Reece MacConnell 8th

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Reading Buddies







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Mrs. Rabaiotti's 1st Grade partners with Mr. Blyleven's 4th Grade in learning!

> Qe'ciyew'yew Mrs. Rabaiotti for Sharing Pictures!



Nez Perce Cultural Principle: Community Orientation

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Volume STEM Activity Build a Robot









Qe'ciyew'yew Mrs. Baldwin for Sharing Pictures!

Mrs. Baldwin's 5th Grade Mathematicians are engaged in a volume unit and reading The Wild Robot

> Nez Perce Cultural Principle: Experiential Learning

Staff Spotlight





Lapwai School District Indian Education Department

Jennifer supports students in achieving academic and career success. She helps students by reviewing transcripts to ensure they meet graduation and college entrance requirements. She hosts informational nights with students and parents to discuss progress, addressing their priorities and needs, provides information on college, financial aid, scholarships, and vocational paths, and offers guidance on career development. Additionally, she actively fosters college and career readiness by organizing college tours, allowing students to explore campuses, experience college life, and engage with faculty and students. By bringing college recruiters to the school, she creates accessible opportunities for students to learn about various programs, ask questions, and start building connections for their future. Her close collaboration with college representatives and community programs ensures that students have continuous support, access to resources, and guidance in making informed choices about their educational and career paths. She is a huge asset to the Indian Education Department and goes above and beyond our expectations. We truly value her and all that she brings to our schools!! – Iris Chimburas

Jenifer Williams has provided important student and parent information and opportunities to meet on college and career readiness. Support for our community as they navigate the journey of college is important and our district is grateful to have her expertise. -D'Lisa Penney

Jenifer is among the greatest resources in the Lapwai School District. She actively and creatively seeks opportunities to support our students. When anyone needs help, she is the first in line. I admire her work ethic and incredible professionalism. Her dedication is observable each and every day! — David Aiken

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Cece's primary responsibility is to support and enhance awareness of Native American grants, specifically the NYCP (Native Youth Community Program) and ACE (Accessing Choices in Education) programs. Her role is pivotal in promoting the positive impact of Indigenous Education and fostering community engagement. Her job requires a blend of media expertise, community engagement skills, and a deep understanding of the Native American community and cultural landscape. She plays a key role in amplifying the Indian Education Department's commitment to honor and support the academic, cultural, and personal growth of Native American students. Cece is a proud parent of children attending schools within our district and a dedicated member of the Lapwai community! She is deeply invested in the success of all students, reflecting her commitment to supporting every child's growth and well-being, not just her own. – Iris Chimburas

We often hear "Lapwai is the best kept secret" and Cece helps to create information to share with our community that displays what Lapwai is all about. She's been a fantastic addition to our Wildcat Family! – D'Lisa Penney

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Cece is an outstanding addition to the Lapwai School District. She has supported the Superintendent's Student Cabinet with public service announcements on taking a stand against bullying with respectful, responsible, and safe behavior. Her calm, caring and professional presence is a gift. Thank you for lending us your talents and expertise! – David Aiken

Please join me in honoring Lori and Kristen during National School Psychology Week (Nov. 11-15). Their professionalism and hearts for our students are among the greatest resources in the Lapwai School District. I am proud of them! Please seek them out with a little positive, specific praise this week. They deserve it!

Lori Ravel



National School Psychology Week

Honoring Veterans

Mrs. Baldwin and Mrs. Arthur's 5th grade classes wrote thank you letters to our veteran heroes. They honored each veteran with a small gift, a flag or beads. Mrs. Baldwin's class said the Nez Perce pledge, and Mrs. Arthur's class read a tribute to the Veterans. Memphis Bisbee, Aaron Ramsey, and Echo Ramsey joined Mrs. Baldwin for the Veteran's Day parade. Our 5th grade students read all about Veterans Day and were honored to thank their heroes.

Qe'ciyew'yew Mrs. Baldwin for Sharing Pictures!









5th Grade Celebrates Veterans





Nez Perce Cultural Principle: Interpersonal Relationships





The Best on Earth: A Veteran's Day Tribute By Joanna Fuchs

If someone has done military service, They earn the title "veteran," and more; They earn our deep respect and admiration; That they are special no one can ignore. They sacrificed the comforts we enjoy; The list is long of all the things they gave. Our veterans are extraordinary people; They're loyal, dedicated, true and brave. When terror and invasion were real threats. They showed us they could handle any storm. We owe our freedoms and our very lives To our veterans, who served in uniform. Our veterans should be celebrities; They're exceptional; no other group compares. We're grateful for the many things they've done; They're always in our hearts and in our prayers. We owe our veterans support and friendship; Let no one ever question what they're worth. These men and women served us and our country, Our veterans - the very best on earth.

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5th Grade

Veteran

Tribute





5th Grade Veteran Tribute

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www.Lapwai.org Impact Aid



In an effort to hear the voices of our parents, community members and Nez Perce Tribal leaders in the planning and development of our educational programs and activities, the following survey was created. The survey is available in two formats.

Summary of Last Year's Results 🚧





WILDCAT WREATH HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

Decorate your home for the holidays while supporting your Wildcats! We partner with a local farm to offer you beautifully handmade wreaths. *Order deadline: December 15, 2024.*

Order by contacting Devin Boyer at dboyer@lapwai.org or Bradley Peterson, at bpeterson@lapwai.org

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Please Join Us!

Lapwai Family Engagement Team Meeting

Support Student Achievement



Elementary Team Monday, Nov. 18, 2024 **3:45-5:15 p.m.** Lapwai District Office

Everyone is welcome! Snacks & Drinks provided.

This event is a collaborative effort between the Lapwai School District and Nez Perce State Tribal Education Partnership (STEP) Project.

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