SUPERINTENDENT'S WEEKLY UPDATE

Friday, August 30, 2019



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

Nez Perce Tribe Local Education Program Fund Awards



Thank you Sheila Hewett and Taricia Moliga for representing our district at the reception.

Qe'ciyew'yew' to the Nez Perce Tribe for your support of local education! The Lapwai School District and Lapwai Wildcat Booster Club were awarded \$34,400 for college and career readiness, elementary reading intervention, our Community Resource Specialist and Truancy Interventionist resource, and the Boosters who support our students.

kíiye pecepelíhniku' wapáyat'as mamáy'asna hipewc'éeyu' cúukwenin'.

We will all work to help the children become knowledgeable.



Qe'ciyew'yew' Mamáy'asnim Hitéemenwees

Thank you for supporting the transition from Early Childhood to Kindergarten!



Thank you Mrs. Hayes for sharing the picture.

Introducing New Lapwai School District Staff

From Left to Right

Joyce McFarland, Nez Perce STEP Alicia Wheeler, Nez Perce STEP Lori Ravet, Special Education Director Salena FiveThunders, Behavioral Specialist **Chanel Harming, Middle School English** Miranda Moses, Behavioral Specialist **Delaney Hartwig, First Grade Teacher** Jene Ane Carlin, Elementary Reading Intervention Ada Marks, Middle-High Paraprofessional Teri Wagner, Elementary Principal Victoria Tochilo, Elementary Reading Intervention D'Lisa Penney, Middle-High Principal **Grant Martinson, High School Math**



Qe'ciyew'yew' Joyce McFarland and Alicia Wheeler for joining us each year for new staff orientation.

Ta'c 'éetx papáayn - Good You All Came

New Athletic Director: William Big Man

William has already been hard at work setting our student athletes up for success this year.

Qe'ciyew'yew'





Annual Fall Districtwide Meeting Monday, August 26th



Special Thanks To: Wilfred & Bessie Scott, Sonya Samuels-Allen, Joyce McFarland, Kay Seven, Angel Sobotta, Tess Woodward, Pete Wilson, Donald Powaukee, and Brandon Metoxen

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The Lapwai Middle-High School Indian Education Department was officially named after Mr. David F. Penney. Mrs. Mary Lynn Walker was awarded the Dr. Arthur Taylor Culturally Responsive Teacher of the Year Award. Nez Perce STEP gifted a Nez Perce Language Dictionary to the Middle-High Library.

Qe'ciyew'yew' for your big hearts and dedication to Lapwai students!

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A district with two buildings, collaborating as one school. Data-driven focus on building literacy.

Districtwide Professional Development Monday, August 26th









Free Breakfast Every Morning at 7:50 a.m.



Three Language Electives at Lapwai Middle-High School

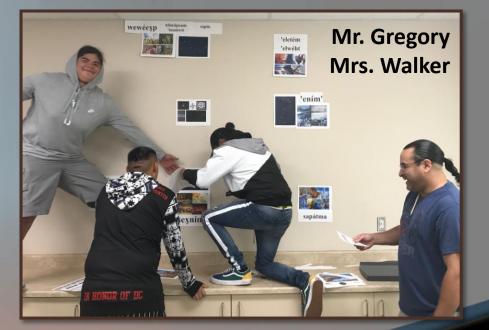
Spanish



French



Nez Perce





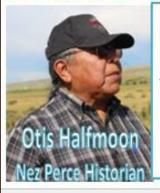
"We Will Remember All of You" 'éetx petmíipn'iyu'





7th annual Native Education Research Summit August 8-10, 2019 Lolo Pass & Big Hole Battlefield "Nez Perce homeland & 1877 historical sites





13 Lapwai & 12 Kamiah staff followed the trail of the Nez Perce in 1877 from Lolo Pass to Big Hole. They participated in the Big Hole memorial with the NPT Ed., Idaho State Ed., and Muskogee Creek Nation Ed.





Lapwai: Grant Martinson, Delaney Hartwig, Ashlee Grunenfelder, Veronica Hamilton, Joslyn Leighton, Christiane Pinkham-Stuk, Traci McKarcher, Teeiah Arthur, Sheryl Bentz, Sheila Scott, Georgie Kerby. Not pictured: Krystle Stamper, Verna Johnson.



This blanket was blessed in the pipe circle at the Big Hole Commemoration on Aug. 10. NPT Ed. Dept. presented it to the Lapwai SD in honor of the Nez Perce ancestors of tribal students & families at Lapwai.

Qe'ciyew'yew' Nez Perce STEP

Staff Qualifications

Federal law requires that each school district receiving Title I funds notify parents of each student attending any school receiving these funds that information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher(s) may be requested.

As a parent of a student attending a school receiving federal program funds, you have the right to know:

1. Is my child's teacher licensed to teach the grades and subject(s) assigned?

- 2. Is my child's teacher teaching with a provisional license, meaning the state has waived requirements for my child's teacher?
- 3. What is the college major of my child's teacher?
- 4. What degree or degrees does my child's teacher hold?

To request the state qualifications for your child's teacher or instructional aide, please contact David Aiken at (208) 843-2622. If you would like more information about your child's school, please feel free to contact the principals:

Teri Wagner, Lapwai Elementary: (208) 843-2960 D'Lisa Penney-Pinkham, Lapwai Middle-High: (208) 843-2241

Attendance Matters

Both schools ended last year with record breaking average daily attendance maintaining above 90%. Congratulations to our Wildcat Scholars and their families for making school attendance a priority!

We have several resources in our district to remove barriers to regular and punctual attendance. Our Community Resource Specialist and Truancy Interventionist can connect families with tribal, county, and state resources. This role has been graciously supported by Local Education Funds from the Nez Perce Tribe.

Community Resource Specialist and Truancy Interventionist Shawna Leighton sleighton@lapwai.org (208) 843-2241

Students with perfect attendance the first ten weeks of school will be honored and celebrated in an update this November! If a student is 10 minutes late to school each day, this adds up to missing more than 33 hours of class time. A student with a 90 percent attendance average for Kindergarten through 12th grade will miss over a year of accumulated time in the classroom.

GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS Every Minute in School Counts



Research shows students who miss 10 percent of school, or two days per month, show negative academic progress.

Did You Know?

Students who miss 10% of the school year (19 days) are at the greatest risk for:

- Dropping Out
- Substance Abuse
- Gang Involvement
- Criminal Activity

By 9th grade, regular and punctual school attendance becomes a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores. 83%

of Students Chronically Absent in Kindergarten & 1st Grade Are Unable to Read On-Level by 3rd Grade

Did You Know?

Exclusive of school-scheduled activities, a student may only miss twelve (12) days per semester. Failure to meet this standard will result in "no credit" or "withdrawal" on the student transcript.

Students Who Cannot Read On-Level in 3rd Grade Are **4** X More Likely to Drop Out Than Kids Who Can By 6th Grade, chronic absences become a leading indicator that student will drop out of high school

Nez Perce Language – Nimipuutímt

Commands:

wixsil'íix wixsil'íikitx wiséekey'x wiséekey'kitx mic'yóoxom mic'yóoxomtx 'amc'yóoxoy miyóoxatna Sit down You all sit down Stand up You all stand up Listen to me You all listen to me

Listen to the leader

'amc'yóoxotx miyóoxatna 'amc'yóoxoy 'im'íisep 'amc'yóoxotx 'im'tóotap 'imóotalx 'imamóotalkitx

You all listen to the leader Listen to your mother You all listen to your father Be still! Be still! (pl.)