

 Lapwai School District 



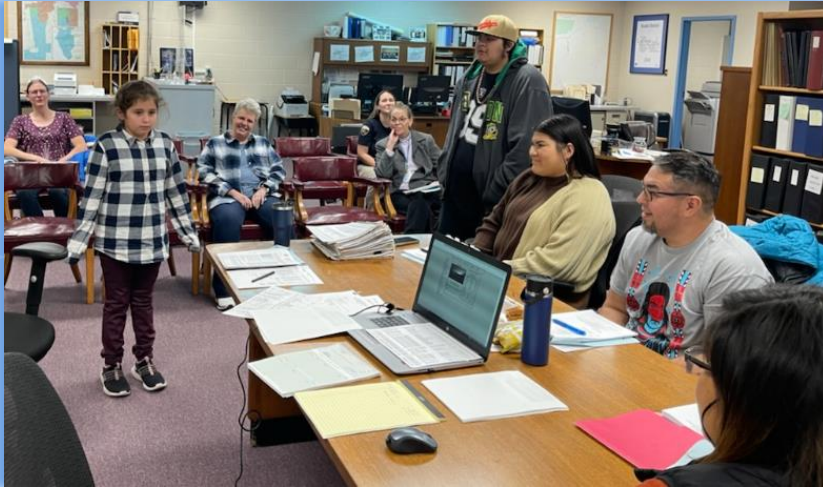
*Celebrations & Pictures of Wildcat Scholars & the Dedicated Staff Who Serve Them*

# **Superintendent's**

# **Weekly Update**

Friday, December 9, 2022

# Superintendent's Student Cabinet



Available Superintendent's Student Cabinet members were introduced to the Lapwai School District Board of Trustees at the November meeting. (Left to Right: Alysha Dick, Jerumyu Hernandez, Dawson Whitman, and Keyon Henry.)

Nez Perce Cultural Principle:  
Community Orientation

# Superintendent's Student Cabinet

I am so proud of the Student Cabinet for their respect and professionalism during our visit with the Circle of Elders last week. It is clear why our staff observed leadership potential in each of them. We were gifted with a lot of wisdom from the elders. They were incredibly impressed with this group of Wildcat Scholars.

Grade 4	Alysha Dick
Grade 5	Cloud Wheeler
Grade 6	Dawson Whitman
Grade 7	Autumn LeCornu
Grade 8	Keyon Henry
Grade 9	Emily Arthur
Grade 10	Isias Johnson
Grade 11	Solara Greene
Grade 12	Jerumyu Hernandez



4<sup>th</sup> Grade Artists



Aaralen Moses & Francesca Picard

Qe'ciyew'yew'  
Mrs. Raml for  
featuring our  
talented students!



Nez Perce Cultural Principle:  
Experiential Learning



## Staff Spotlight

The Superintendent's Faculty Cabinet would like to honor Mrs. Colleen Bonner this week. Mrs. Bonner has devoted nearly 23 years to teaching developmental preschool and supporting our kindergarten. Please join us in celebrating her dedication to our youngest Wildcat Scholars.

*Anton says she is kind, caring and fun. Amaya says she was so helpful and always right there when I needed her. As a colleague and parent I would say that she is completely supportive and understanding. I have truly enjoyed working with her and her commitment to all students not just her own. - Teeiah Arthur, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade*

*Colleen is such a positive person. She always has a smile and willing to go the extra mile for all of our students from arriving early to staying after hours. - Carleen Baldwin, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade*

*She starts when her students are three years old and builds and maintains extraordinary relationships with families. As she is always learning about best practice and perfecting her craft, we all rely on her expertise and professional knowledge. - Teri Wagner, Principal*

*I have the greatest respect and admiration for Mrs. Bonner. You could not ask for a bigger heart to support the start of learning for our kids! - David Aiken, Superintendent.*

*Colleen is the epitome of patience and grace. It takes a special soul to teach preschool and she does it with such flair! - Melissa Beckman, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade*

*In the twenty three years that I have worked for Lapwai Elementary, I have had the privilege of teaching students at a young age and watch them grow and learn through out the years. The staff are caring and supportive, and I continue to be amazed at the involvement of the community. - Colleen Bonner, Preschool*





# Perfect Attendance

Lilliauna



Story



2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE



# Perfect Attendance

## Matthew



## Doston



## 4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE



# Perfect Attendance

Dante



Davis



8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE





# Perfect Attendance

Tamia



Murphy



9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

# Mentoring Wildcat Scholars



Titus Yearout joined Mrs. Walker's class to share strategies for success during your freshman year of college. This collaboration was made possible through our partnership with Sydel Samuels, Director of the Native American Student Center at the University of Idaho.

Qe'ciyew'yew' Titus and Sydel!



# Lapwai Middle-High School Native Culture & Language Team

## Team Objectives:

- Providing leadership for culture and language;
- Engaging the community with culture and language;
- Infusing culture and language in curriculum and instruction

Facilitated by Alicia Wheeler, Nez Perce STEP Project &  
David Aiken, Lapwai School District Superintendent

Recent action planning has included "The curriculum of all grade levels includes lessons on the accomplishments of Native Americans."



Jim  
Thorpe



Cheri  
Madsen



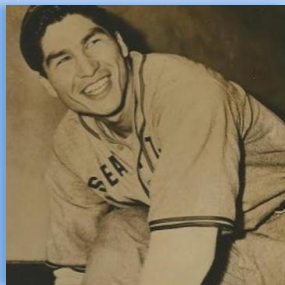
Derek Red  
Arrow Frank



Mary Golda  
Ross



Nicole  
Mann



Levi  
McCormack



Janee'  
Kassanavold

Each week we share a PowerPoint resource highlighting the accomplishments of a successful Indigenous role model. The resources are encouraged for use during English-Language Arts or Reading instruction districtwide.

The resources are posted on the [Native Culture & Language](#) section of our website at [Lapwai.org](http://Lapwai.org)

[www.Lapwai.org](http://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.



The health and safety of Lapwai students is always our highest priority. These plans will remain subject to change based on local data and guidance from the Center for Disease Control, Idaho Public Health, Nimiipuu Health, and the Nez Perce Tribe.

Input & questions are always welcome!

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Safe Return to In-Person Instruction & Continuity of Services Plan 2022-2023

Relief Funding Plan

Qe'ciyew'yew'  
Nimiipuu Health!

