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Happy New Year

Lapwai School District
Superintendent's
Weekly Update

Friday, January 6, 2023

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



Staff Spotlight

The Superintendent's Faculty Cabinet would like to honor Mr. Alan White this week. Alan has served the Lapwai School District in Maintenance and Transportation for over 24 years, most recently as the Supervisor of both departments. Alan retired over the winter break, yet will continue to drive a bus route. Please expect updates regarding a formal retirement celebration this spring.

Alan's work ethic and dedication to the health and safety of our students, staff, and facilities have been an incredible asset in the Lapwai School District. He took pride in his duties and sincerely cared about our success. He leaves behind a distinguished legacy. I am truly honored to have worked with this incredible professional. - David Aiken, Superintendent

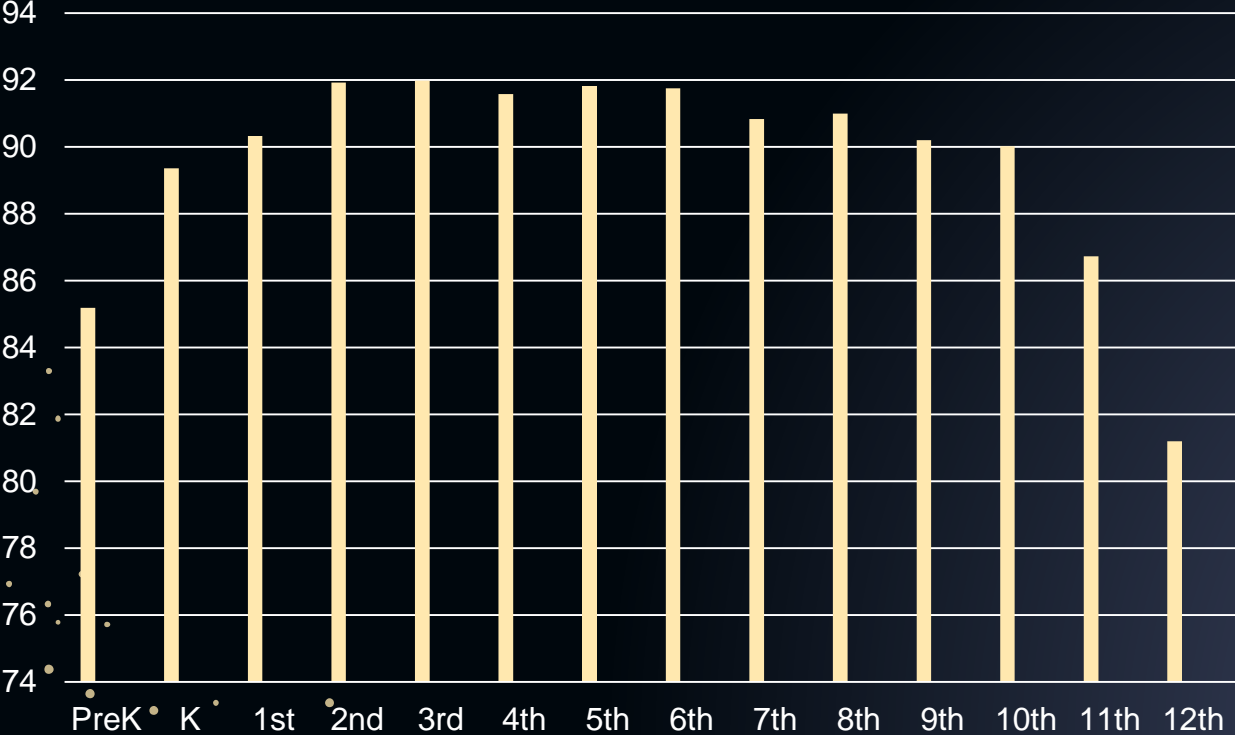
In the many years I have depended on Mr. White for the maintenance needs of our school, he has always responded immediately to my concerns. Safety has constantly been top priority. - Teri Wagner, Elementary Principal

Alan has been essential in providing transportation and support services to students with disabilities. He has made countless sacrifices to ensure that appropriate building requirements are met to ensure the safety of our students with disabilities. Our Special Education Program will miss him deeply. - Lori Ravet, Special Education Director

Sometimes our biggest supporters of education work behind the scenes, work in the wee hours of the night, long evenings, improve our facilities, keep us safe, transport us safely to and from all activities, and find great opportunities to improve our learning experiences. This has been by far Alan's greatest gift to Lapwai. He has worked diligently for decades to help our district run smoothly. He has been creative and innovative. He is kind and compassionate. When we've had a challenge he has figured out a solution 100% of the time. I am grateful for the dedication Alan White has provided our community. I owe him the largest of THANK YOUS! – D'Lisa Penney, Middle-High Principal



August 30, 2022 to January 5, 2023



Average Daily Attendance

Elementary
90.79%

Middle-High
88.89%

District
89.82%



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STAFF P.A.W. Awards



Proud of You! **A**wesome! **W**ay to Go!

Attention Parents and Lapwai Community Partners: The Lapwai School District is intentional with systems of celebrating student success. Our Wildcat Scholars are regularly recognized for *Respectful, Responsible, and Safe* behavior. The Nez Perce STEP Family Engagement Teams have partnered with the Superintendent to provide our families the same opportunity to celebrate *school district staff*. Your nomination will appear in the Superintendent's Weekly Update which is linked in the Nez Perce Tribe Newsletter and posted on the district Facebook page. Thank you for honoring any staff member who has gone above and beyond for Lapwai students.



**NOMINATIONS
NOW OPEN**

CLICK HERE

Together, we ensure all students
will reach their full potential.

Lapwai.org

Stop
Bullying!

If You See
Something
Say Something



CLICK HERE
to submit
A NOMINATION



Wildcat Heroes



Attention Lapwai School District Staff: The Superintendent's Faculty Cabinet is requesting nominations from *Lapwai School District staff*. Please nominate a student you have observed take a stand against bullying. We are seeking to celebrate Wildcat Scholars who are not only Respectful, Responsible, and Safe, yet have demonstrated the courage as a bystander to take a stand. Please nominate a student who *actively* demonstrates kindness and support for others in need of a friend. We would like to recognize those who consistently report unkind behavior to an adult. Nominations will remain open throughout the year with review and selection by the Faculty Cabinet. Those selected will receive a Wildcat Hero medal at a school assembly presented by the nominating staff member and Superintendent. The Wildcat Hero nomination form is also available on the *Staff Only* section of the website.

Remember, if you see something, say something. Always tell an adult when you are being bullied or witness bullying.

The Middle-High School Native Culture and Language Team share PowerPoint resources highlighting the accomplishments of successful Indigenous role models. The resources are encouraged for use during English-Language Arts or Reading instruction districtwide. The resources are posted on the [Native Culture & Language](http://Lapwai.org) section of our website at Lapwai.org

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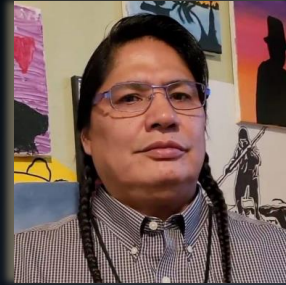
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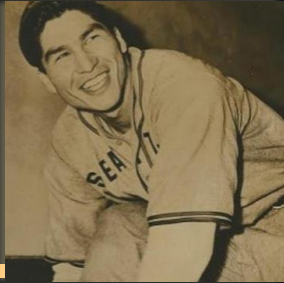
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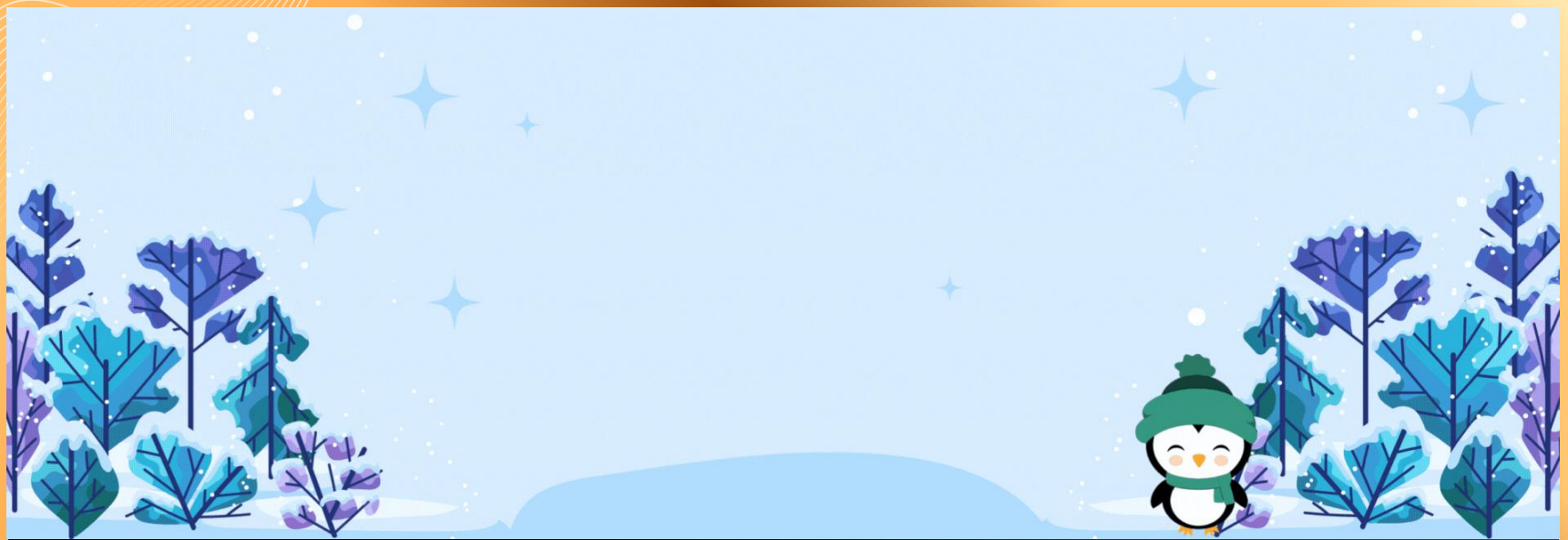


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Perfect Attendance Prize Drawings
Continue Every Friday!

Lapwai Elementary After School Program Newsletter



WILDCATS

Here's What's Happening at

Lapwai Elementary Afterschool Program

Students achieving! 407-731-330-330

The fantastic second quarter of Lapwai Elementary School Afterschool Program comes to an end on January 19th. We will begin the third quarter on January 23rd, 2023. Each night and morning 7:30-8:30am we serve 50-75 students from 1st-5th grades. Students and families can still expect:

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| Nonprofit | Cultural learning | Academic enrichment (using online tools) | Full meal and snack served nightly |
| Reading interventions | Technology | Homework help | Public engagement opportunities |
| Lego-robotics/ Coding | Chess | Physical activity | Crafts |

Afterschool Students Learn Using Technology

Students in the Afterschool Program have regular access to technology. Using chromebooks has become standard practice for reading and math programs during the regular-day school. ASP supports student achievement by accessing the same programs during our evening sessions. Students may sharpen math skills by logging in to I-Ready Math. Likewise, thousands of books are at students' fingertips by reading online at MyON.



In addition to classrooms are using Lego Robotic kits. Students use Lego sensors and motors. Using a chromebook, students can control speed and send signals to their robots to cause it to do a



...erse students in science concepts.

THE QUINCY REVIEW

Culture and Language Learning

Students building cultural understanding

Exploring cultural learning is a very important component of the Lapwai Elementary Afterschool Program. Each night students are taught kinjshunt by the faculty of the Nez Perce Tribal Language Department. Thank you Talo, Trina, Gary, Andrea, and Angel!