# Lapwai School District Superintendent's Weekly Update

Friday, October 20, 2023



Celebrations & Pictures of Wildcat Scholars & the Dedicated Staff Who Serve Them For Preschool Through 12th Grade Students & Their Families

### Celebrating Families in Our Community

Learn How Lapwai Schools Support Your Child's Success Hosted by the State Tribal Education Partnership & the Lapwai School District

At the ELEMENETARY Gymnasium This Year

Program Information to Include:

Lapwai Community Library

State Tribal Education Partnership

21st Century Community Learning Center

UI Extension Nez Perce Tribe

Students for Success

Lapwai Indian Education Department

Nez Perce Tribe Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Title IA & Impact Aid Annual Meetings

Family Engagement Activities: Face Painting, Hands-On Music Exploration Station, Art Show, Free Popcorn, Elementary Afterschool Program Spooky Reading Event!

ARC Thursday, October 26th, 2023 **ELEMENTARY** Gymnasium 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

> For Preschool Through 12th Grade Students & Their Families

Opportunities to Get Involved in Your Child's ducation!

A Wildcat thank you to Mrs. Raml, Mrs. Shaffer, Mr. Woodford, and Mr. Peterson for supporting family engagement activities this year!

# Lapwai Middle-High School Grades 6-12





TURN IT AROUND- BE ONE OF A KIND. WEAR YOUR CLOTHES BACKWARDS OR INSIDE OUT

FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS—

MAKE GOOD CHOICES:

PAJAMA (PJ) DAY

HATS OFF TO BEING
DIFFERENT: CRAZY HAT OR
HAIR DAY

OCT WILDCATS CHOOSE TO BE BULLY FREE: WEAR ORANGE FOR NATIONAL BULLY PREVENTION MONTH

### Lapwai High School Career Pathways



Lapwai High School students enrolled in advanced opportunity, college credit courses joined Micah Bisbee to present at the October school board meeting. These Wildcat Scholars are succeeding in career pathway coursework made possible through Native Youth Community Project funding including Leadership, Education, and Medical fields.

Nez Perce Cultural Principle: Experiential Learning

#### From Left to Right

Micah Bisbee Madden Bisbee Elijah McCormack Amaris Kager Ella Payne

Community
Partners

Nimiipuu Health
Circle of Elders
Nez Perce Tribe
University of Idaho
Northwest Indian College
Lewis Clark State College
Community Programs
INTERNSHIPS

Medical Careers Pathway

Educational Careers Pathway

### Elementary Schoolwide Expectations Rodeo





Lapwai Elementary Wildcat Scholars participated in a Schoolwide Expectations Rodeo. Staff modeled respectful, responsible, and safe behavior expectations in all areas of the school and on the bus.

Nez Perce Cultural Principle: Teachers Are Guides

#### Elementary Schoolwide Expectations Rodeo



#### **Elementary Bus Expectations Rodeo**





Respectful, responsible, and safe behavior expectations are also modeled on the bus. A Wildcat thank you to our caring bus drivers for their support!

Nez Perce Cultural Principle: Interpersonal Relationships

### Thank You for Supporting Impact Aid!

A team from Lapwai joined Superintendent Aiken in September to thank Idaho's Congressmen for their continued support of Impact Aid.

Impact Aid is approximately 31% of the Lapwai School District budget. 12 Idaho districts and over 14,000 students rely on this critical federal funding. Dr. Aiken also serves as the Idaho State Chair of the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools and represents all of the federally connected students and districts in Idaho.

Plummer-Worley	368
Snake River	1,806
Blackfoot	3,792
Wilder	541
Mackay	241
Mountain Home	3,915
Mountain View	1,241
Kamiah	424
Lapwai	526
Marsing	853
Bruneau-Grand View	302
Chief Tahgee Elementary	86
Total Students	14,095

Impact Aid is the Federal Government's reimbursement to school districts for the presence of nontaxable federal property such as military installations, Indian lands, federal low-rent housing, national laboratories, and grasslands. The presence of nontaxable property limits the ability of school districts to generate sufficient tax revenue to support K-12 education. Nationwide this funding supports 1,200 school districts and 10 million students.

### Thank You for Supporting Impact Aid!

Not Pictured: Senator Risch







Thank you DelRae Kipp, Lapwai School District Board of Trustees, and Nathan Weeks, Business Manager, for joining Superintendent Aiken to advocate for Lapwai students and all of the federally connected students in Idaho.

#### **FREE** Breakfast & Lunch!





Join us for free breakfast and lunch! Breakfast begins as 7:50 a.m.

THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

### Beading With Mrs. Williams Native Arts





Experiential Learning

#### **Staff Qualifications**

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School districts receiving Title I funds are required to notify parents they may request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher(s). We are prepared to celebrate our highly qualified staff and share their accomplishments with you on request.

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

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

Is my child's teacher teaching with a provisional license, meaning the state waived requirements for my child's teacher?

What is the college major of my child's teacher?

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, Superintendent, at (208) 843-2622. If you would like more information about your child's school, please feel free to contact our dedicated principals:

Teri Wagner, Lapwai Elementary School: (208) 843-2960

Dr. D'Lisa Penney, Lapwai Middle-High School: (208) 843-2241



# AMARI EDWARDS GRADE K



JAMES
TAYLOR
1ST



# OPAL MCCORMACK 3RD



## SHANTAI BRONSON 4TH



# COUNTRY PENNEY 4TH



# ALICE WHITEFOOT 6TH



## PEN QUINTANA 8TH



LARICCI GEORGE 11TH

#### HAHAAM PI'AMKIN MEN'S SOCIAL GATHERING

WED. OCT. 18, 2023 -5PM-PI-NEE-WAUS MEN AGES 15+ FREE MEAL PROVIDED

A man's life is important in our NiMiiPuu culture and community.

There are many stigmas and barriers that prevent our men from sharing and expressing their anxieties, feelings, or fears. When we bottle these emotions/feelings within ourselves, it can create a dangerous, volatile environment in our mind, body, and spirit.

This is the time for our community of men to come together.

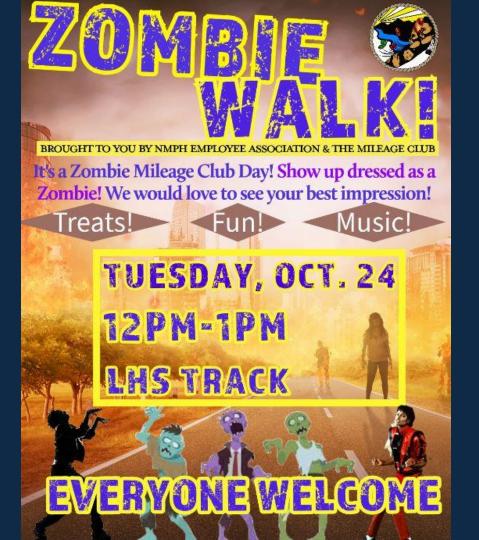
Enjoy a meal to socialize and network with other men. Although our lives may seem very different at times, just know that there is a group of men that can depend on each other.

Yox Kaloo, That is all



LIFE IS SACRED

Sponsored by Barbell Warrior Society & The Sweetwater Singer



#### **LAPWAI**

November 6 Payniwaas 9am-3pm

## COVID-19 & Flu Mass Vaccinations

KAMIAH

November 7 Kamiah Clinic 9am-3pm



#### LAPWA

Mon. & Fri. Comm. Health 9am-4pm

#### Flu Shots

h (COVID-19 will be offered after the Mass Vaccination Dates) (19+ Years only)

#### KAMIAH

Wed. Kamiah Clinic 9am-4pm



Nimiipuu Health can offer COVID-19 vaccinations to Nez Perce Tribal Members and beneficiaries only