

Lapwai School District Superintendent's Weekly Update



Friday, February 16, 2024

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



CONGRATULATIONS BONNITA SMITH!

Bonnita has completed a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Sciences and Disorders. She also received a Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and is now a Licensed Certified Speech and Language Pathology Aid!

Bonnita graduated summa cum laude achieving an outstanding 4.0 GPA!

In addition to being among the biggest hearts for Lapwai students, she is also a role model for continuing education! We are all incredibly proud of you, Bonnita!

CONGRATULATIONS 

Bonnita Smith of the Superintendent's Faculty Cabinet has nominated Lori Ravet for a Staff Spotlight this week. Please join us in celebrating Lori and her 20 years of service to the students of the Lapwai School District!

Lori is that guardian angel that knows just the right time to check in with her colleagues. She gifts me with the same care and concern she provides her amazing team. I have directly benefited from her coaching and encouragement. - David Aiken

Lori is always mindful of the deeper aspects of each individual on her team and no matter what barriers we face, none are insurmountable. There is never a question about what is expected of us, and there are no barriers to filling those expectations that she is not willing to help us overcome. She truly models for us how to best serve our students and community. She makes challenges look easy and treats all of her team with sincere compassion and authenticity. - Nancy Dahl



Staff Spotlight

Lori Ravet

Special Education Director
School Psychologist

Lori leads and supports her Special Forces team with excellence! She has provided top level training for the entire team on a regular basis, which has transformed the way we are able to serve our students. You can be confident that the students who receive special education services at Lapwai are getting the best there is, thanks to Lori's leadership and guidance! - Kristen Bateman

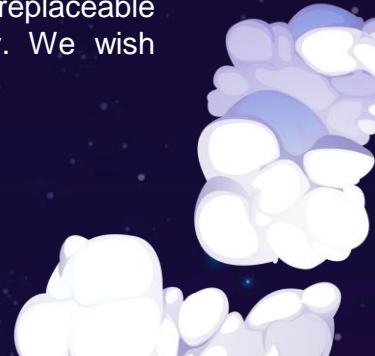
There are so many things I could say about Lori, it's hard to pick something small. Lori is the most supportive, compassionate, loving, intelligent woman I know. I am so lucky to have her in my life. - Colleen Bonner

I deeply value Lori for her invaluable contributions to our program. Serving as the backbone, she exemplifies unwavering determination and sets a positive example for our staff and students. Lori not only leads with rigorous expectations but also maintains an open-door policy and uplifts everyone with her encouraging words. Her wealth of knowledge, boundless compassion, and resolute commitment to instilling a sense of excellence in both our students and staff are truly commendable. Lori is an exceptional, one-of-a-kind individual, and we consider ourselves fortunate to have her as our team leader! - Marika Renshaw

Qe'ciyew'yew' Emerson White



Thank you for joining us in celebrating Emerson White and his service to the Lapwai School District. Emerson has dedicated the last 13 years to working in Maintenance including 6 years driving a school bus. During the last year, his extraordinary work ethic and professionalism earned a promotion as Supervisor for both Transportation and Maintenance Departments. He has grown to become a knowledgeable and irreplaceable resource, which we will miss tremendously. We wish Emerson and his family the very best!



Mrs. Hays' 3rd Grade Artists

Mrs. Raml's Art Class

Qe'ciyew'yew'
Ryan Bovard
For Sharing Pictures

Nez Perce Cultural Principle:
Experiential Learning



RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY



LAPWAI WILDCATS AND PBIS ARE ASKING OUR COMMUNITY TO JOIN US IN OUR RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAYS.

FEBRUARY 17



LAPWAI WILDCATS

Random Acts of Kindness



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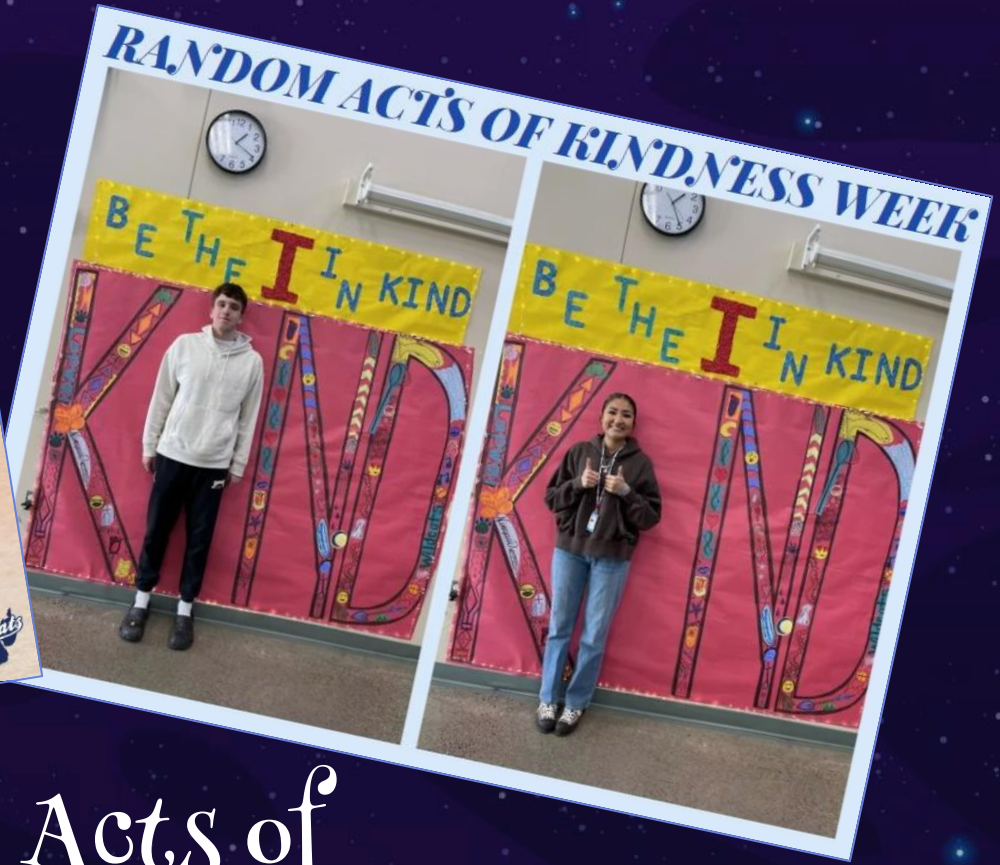


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Qe'ciyew'yew' Mr. Walker & Dr. Penney for Sharing Pictures!

New Native Culture & Language Team Resources

The Lapwai School District Native Culture and Language Team continues to collaborate on an action plan for the indicator of, "The curriculum of all grade levels includes lessons on the accomplishments of Native Americans." We continue to share PowerPoints highlighting the accomplishments of successful Indigenous role models. Thanks to Mr. Peterson and his talented students, these resources now include video interviews! The resources are encouraged for use during English-Language Arts or Reading instruction districtwide.



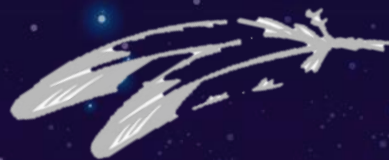
Jenny Williams Interview



Abe Broncheau Interview



[See All of Our Resources](#)
Lapwai.org
[Native Culture and Language](#)



Objectives:

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