

Friday, September 11, 2026



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

Lapwai School District



Superintendent's Weekly Update



SCHOOL START TIMES

Lapwai Elementary School: (208) 843-2960

8:15 Students Collected

8:20 Instruction Begins



*SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
MATTERS*



*EVERY SCHOOL
DAY COUNTS!*

Lapwai Middle-High School: (208) 843-2241

8:04 First Bell

8:07 Tardy Bell

THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER

FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH IN BOTH SCHOOLS!

Lapwai Elementary and
Lapwai Middle-High School
Welcome Students at 7:30 a.m.

Free Breakfast Begins
by 7:50 a.m.



FREE BREAKFAST

AND LUNCH FOR

ALL STUDENTS



2026-2027 School Attendance Matters Challenge!

Weekly Drawings: Each week a student has perfect attendance and no tardies their name will automatically be entered into a drawing. Prizes include rewards from Mana Ti'míne, Happy Day Restaurants, and Orchards Lanes. Every Friday through November 6th we will award Elementary and Middle-High winners. They will be featured in the Superintendent's Weekly Update, Lapwai School District Facebook page, and on our Main Street digital sign. If you miss a day of school, you have the following week to try again! Every week is a new chance to win!

Grade Level Challenge: The grade level with the highest average daily attendance through Friday, November 6th will earn the class celebration of their choice!

Grand Prize Winners: We will also be raffling 3 Triple Play Raptor Reef Indoor Water Park admissions. Grand Prizes will be awarded in both schools!

Thank You Rogers Toyota: Every 5th grade Wildcat Scholar with perfect attendance the entire 2026-2027 school year will be presented with a free bicycle through the Rogers Toyota PASS Program: Perfect Attendance Spells Success.



Request Support: Email ATTENDANCE@LAPWAI.ORG to learn more or request support in removing barriers to regular and punctual attendance.



Wildcats College & Career Ready



Lapwai High School is proud to recognize junior Karissa McFarland and seniors Michelle Kipp and Ella Payne!

These outstanding students have successfully completed all courses in our Medical Pathway and are now enrolled in the full-year Certified Nursing Assistant course at the DeAtley Career Technical Education Center.

The CNA course serves as the capstone of our Medical Pathway. We are incredibly proud of these hardworking Wildcats and their commitment to preparing for careers in healthcare!

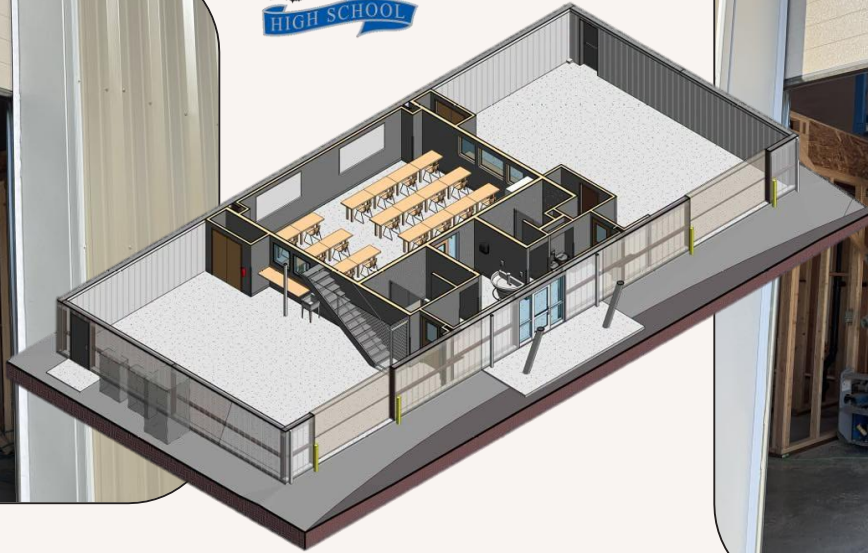


Karissa McFarland, Ella Payne, Michelle Kipp



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Place of Helping Each Other



Construction continues for the new Career and Technical Education Center. This learning space will expand carpentry, fabrication, and business technology instruction with a long-term goal of automotive technology. Welding will remain in the current agricultural building behind the high school.

Lapwai School District Superintendent's Faculty Cabinet



Teeiah
Arthur



Melissa
Beckman



Christiane
Blackeagle



Natasha
Calkins



Bahiyyih
Hansen



Rye
Hewett



Jaylie
Hillman



Brad
Peterson



Bonnita
Smith



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Please join me in celebrating the dedicated staff in the Lapwai School District who devote their time and support to act as my advisors. I am proud to learn from their distinguished examples. - Dr. Aiken

Lapwai School District Superintendent's Student Cabinet



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- 4 Inez Taylor
- 5 Sylas Johns
- 6 Memphis Bisbee
- 7 Delsey Arthur
- 8 Jerron Axtell
- 9 Zoe Henry
- 10 Ryker Samuels
- 11 Terance Greene
- 12 Davi Jo Whitman

Each year our staff nominate students in grades 4-12 who demonstrate the Wildcat Way with respectful, responsible, and safe behavior to act as my advisors. I am excited to report the Wildcat Scholars selected to serve on the Superintendent's Student Cabinet during the 2026-2027 academic year. It will be an honor to collaborate with this incredible focus group of role models. They deserve a voice in decisions directly impacting their schools.

Expect to learn more about these student
leaders throughout the year!

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Ongoing Collaboration With
Nimiipuu Behavioral Health



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