

Terrier Times

Center for Childhood Deafness & Hearing Loss - Washington School for the Deaf

March 2013



From the Principal's Desk

Bill Newell, Principal

WSD students competed admirably in the Western States Basketball and Cheerleading Classic from January 31 through February 2 in Phoenix, Arizona, at the Phoenix Day School for the Deaf. Our girls and boys basketball teams won recognition for what I consider the most important category: Sportsmanship. Congratulations to our students and staff that represented our school so well.

When you read this newsletter the Western Regional Deaf Academic Bowl competition will be history. WSD was chosen to host this Gallaudet University sponsored event at our school. February 15 - 17. I do hope you were able to join us to watch students from schools all over the Western US compete. Thanks to all staff, parents, alumni, students and community members who volunteered to make this event so successful and made WSD shine. A special "Big Hands Waving" to our very own Tyler DeShaw, ASL-English Language Arts teacher, who coordinated this special event.

March 7 will see WSD hosting another very special event, the annual Flying Hands - ASL Poetry competition. Deaf and hard-of-hearing students from Washington and Oregon will strut their stuff in front of a packed gymnasium. In preparation for this event, WSD invited Lance Forshay, a local "Northwesterner," to our school to inspire our students with his own ASL poetry. Mr. Forshay didn't disappoint. He inspired both our students and staff with his poetry. These events are what make WSD such a special place to work. Be sure to view some of Mr. Forshay's poetry here: <http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgpdzqkmFG0pUAeW-jXTvlQ?feature=mhee>

It is with very mixed emotions that I announce that I will be retiring after this school year. I have worked in the field of education of the deaf for 45 years. As many of you know, most of

those years were spent at the National Technical Institute for the Deaf as a professor of American Sign Language and Interpreting Education. My last 5 and ½ years have been spent here at WSD. My goal when I accepted the position as Principal at WSD was to see this school become the best place to educate deaf and hard-of-hearing students in the state of Washington and to become a bilingual educational environment. I believe we (I and our great staff) are achieving both of these objectives. The work of education is never "done." It is always "in process." WSD will continue "becoming the best place to educate deaf and hard-of-hearing students in a bilingual educational environment." I believe I have helped lay a foundation for this "becoming" to continue. I thank the administration of WSD and CDHL, our great staff, and our community of families for the opportunity to have worked here.



We hope to select the next Secondary Department Principal for WSD by the end of March. The position is currently being advertised across the U.S. Stay tuned for announcements on this process. There will be opportunities for our families, staff and students to meet the candidates and provide feedback in the selection process. Our superintendent, Jane Mulholland, is leading this process. I believe this process will lead to selection of a Principal who can continue the work of "becoming." The new person will begin in August.

Thanks once more for entrusting your child's education to us at WSD. We take this responsibility very seriously and we appreciate your family being a part of our family.



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Volunteer Opportunities at WSD!

For more information see our website at www.wsd.wa.gov



Northrop Elementary Updates

Shauna Bilyeu, Assistant Principal

The **Terrier Pups Behavior Matrix** (shown below) outlines specific Terrier Pup behavior in different areas across campus. This is a tool to use when teaching behavior expectations. The purpose is to show students what each of the top 3 behaviors looks like. The examples given here are not necessarily exhaustive, but are good references for teachers and parents to expand on. This is a first draft and there may be more changes to come in the future. Our goal is for this to be published on the school website in the future as well. If you have questions or comments regarding the behavior matrix, please send them my way.



Terrier Pups Behavior Matrix

Terrier Pups	Show Kindness	Make Good Decisions	Solve Problems
Classroom	Let your friends learn during learning time Invite friends to join Sign, "please", "thank you", and "excuse me"	Help your brain to learn: body "on", eyes "on", thought bubble "on" Monitor yourself Follow adult directions Ask for help	S -State Problem T -Think of different solutions E -Evaluate P -Pick a solution 4 B's -tell a teacher (Blood, Barf, Bully, Bathroom)
Playground Or Gym	Take turns with equipment or on the play structure Share recess toys Include other kids in play	Follow adult directions Respond immediately to adults Monitor yourself	STEP 4 B's
Hallway	Be friendly	Keep backpacks and coats off the floor and in the cubbies Keep hands and feet to yourself	Pick up garbage and throw it away
Cafeteria	Push in chairs after finishing eating Sign or say "please" and "thank you" to kitchen staff Invite friends to sit with you	Clean up after yourself Wait your turn to throw away food Follow adult directions WALK Take only what you can eat	Share the table space Tell an adult when there is an accident
Library	Help keep the library clean Help others find good books Keep voices quiet so others can work	Find a book and a quiet place to read Take care of books	Ask if you need help finding a book Share books with others
Bus	Be friendly with other people on the bus	Follow bus driver's directions Keep hands and feet out of aisle	Sit back on your seat Join the line at the end
Assembly	Be a good listener Show school spirit at appropriate times	Share space (only take up as much seat space as you need) Stay in your seat	Keep hands and feet to yourself Monitor yourself
Transition	Maintain personal space Walk in a timely manner	Follow adult directions Eyes on the leader Hands to yourself self Keep the pace and stay in your place Join the line at the end	Use STEPS at destination

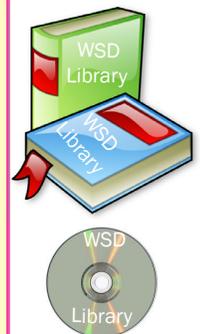


American Society
for
Deaf Children
Newsletter
www.deafchildren.org

Library Donation News

We are still currently taking donations for our library shelves. We accept DVD's and books on all subjects as long as they are current and in good shape. We are working hard to keep students reading, and a large part of this is keeping the inventory fresh and exciting.

One way that you can see what books students have requested is to go to **Amazon online** and type "WSD Library." You will see a listing at the top that says "Amazon Wish List" in blue. Below it click on the WSD Library icon and you will see a running list. It changes pretty regularly. As we get books they come off and as they are requested they go on. You can purchase books through Amazon and they will be sent directly to us. As always we appreciate your support! Keep Reading!





February Calendar

March 7 - "Flying Hands" ASL Poetry Competition
 March 12, 13, 14 / High School Proficiency Exam
 March 11-21 / Developmentally Appropriate Proficiency Exam
 March 17 - St Patrick's Day
 March 31 - Easter
 April 1-5 Spring Break!

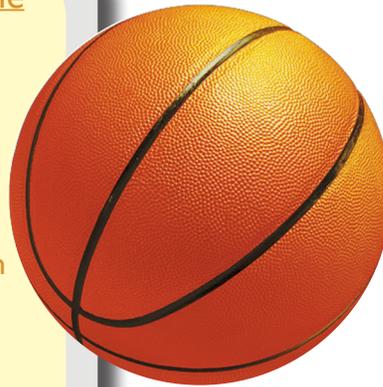


Middle School Basketball Schedule

All Games are at WSD in Hunter Gym at 6:00pm, unless noted.

- Tuesday, February 12
- Thursday, February 14
- Thursday, February 21
- Tuesday, February 26
- Thursday, February 28 @ OSD – 5:30pm
- Tuesday, March 5
- Tuesday, March 12
- Thursday, March 14 vs. OSD – 4:30
- Tuesday, March 19
- Thursday, March 21
- Tuesday, March 26
- Thursday, March 28

Coaches: Nathan "Snap" Boyes and Carmine Faella



Western States Basketball & Cheerleading Classic RESULTS!

Ron Spratlen, Athletic Director

WSD Boys and Girls Basketball teams both received the **Sportsmanship Awards!** Congratulations to all our participants for their achievements.



Boys

- Basketball Team - 6th Place
- Basketball Team - Sportsmanship Plaque
- Randall Smith - 1st Team Basketball

Girls

- Basketball Team - 4th Place
- Basketball Team - Sportsmanship Plaque
- Daniela Chavez - MOP (Most Outstanding Player) - Basketball
- Alondra Zepeda - 2nd Team Basketball
- Yajaira Bedolla - Honorable Mention Cheerleader
- Alondra Zepeda - Honorable Mention Cheerleader



Academic Honor Roll - First Semester

MS "A" Honor

Etasha Stone	3.57	A
Teeya Boylan-Kelly	3.52	A
Cheyenna Clearbrook	3.50	A

MS "B" Honor

Tyler Eagan	3.40	B
Ashantay Truong	3.37	B
Brandy Pietsch	3.33	B
Juan Gaytan-Arroyo	3.28	B
Alexandria DiCapua	3.28	B
Caleb Plock	3.10	B
Jadzia Ingram	3.1	B
Cristian Martinez-White	3.06	B

HS "A" Honor

Ashley Medlock	4.00	A
Keysi Severino	3.90	A
Mateo Denton	3.90	A
Patrick Saturay	3.86	A
Jonah Winninghoff	3.81	A
Christina Gelderd	3.80	A
Madeline Forbes	3.80	A
Jordan Sherman	3.73	A
Clemente Martinez	3.73	A
Alejandra Lara-Sierra	3.73	A
Sarah Lasco	3.72	A
Yessica Arceo-Jimenez	3.63	A
Mitchell Wilkinson	3.62	A
Nicole Morgan	3.61	A
Miguel Peregrino	3.52	A
Maria Preciado	3.51	A

HS "B" Honor

Wyatt Hurd	3.49	B
Cesar Sanchez	3.47	B
Bethany Shaver	3.39	B
LaSinda Rivas	3.38	B
Luis Herrera-Guerrero	3.37	B
Froilan Alfonso	3.35	B
Harland OntiverosMeza	3.28	B
Randall Smith	3.27	B
Yajaira Bedolla	3.27	B
Marco Gomez	3.26	B
Adam Arntzen	3.24	B
Miguel Flores	3.23	B
Daniela Chavez	3.23	B
Tredynn Selvog	3.21	B
Haili St Louis	3.20	B
Andrew Fick	3.19	B
Samantha Larios	3.18	B
Juan Aust	3.14	B
Jacqueline Wiles	3.13	B
Ivonne Castillo Garcia	3.1	B
Hilda Beltran-Lopez	3.1	B
Uma Strempler	3.03	B



Nurses' Corner

Jillian Bain, RN, MS, FNP-BC and Jon Tannler, RN



First Aid Kit

Do you have a first aid kit? Is it readily accessible? Does your family/child know where the first aid kit is? You and your family/child can be prepared, learn, and teach others tips on safety and emergency preparedness with an equipped first aid kit.

Have there been times when a minor injury occurred and you did not have what you needed? Don't let this happen ever again!! You can make your own first aid kit by purchasing a basic backpack or small traveling bag with handles (waterproof and durable materials are best). Using zipper-lock baggies are very helpful keeping your supplies organized.

Here is a list of what you can pack into your own first aid kit; band-Aids-all sizes, baby wipes, adhesive tape, scissors, digital thermometer, antibiotic ointment (Bacitracin, Neosporin, etc.), cotton balls/gauze, non-latex gloves, antiseptic wipes, aloe vera gel/burn treatment gel, list of all medications being taken, doctor office and emergency contact phone numbers.

First aid kits are most useful for minor injuries, not major injuries or big gaping wounds. When your child, or someone in your family, sustains a minor injury (like a small cut or scratch), you want to clean the area as soon as possible. Cleaning is best done with soap and water. If you are not near any water and soap supply, you can use antiseptic wipes or even a hand sanitizer. You can apply an antibiotic ointment (like Neosporin or Bacitracin) over the small injured area, and then cover it with a band aid. If there is a major injury, or a very large injured area (very deep, or multiple bleeding cuts), and/or it is bleeding without stopping, after you applied pressure for several minutes, you need to get immediate help (call 911)!

Keep the first aid kit readily available; ideally within your reach at any time. It is a great idea to have a first aid kit in the car, at your work, and in your home (perhaps in a few different places). It is never too late to be prepared!

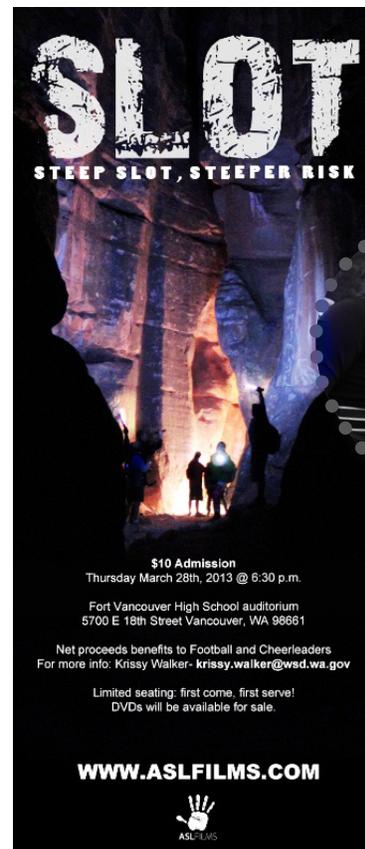
Also, it is a great idea to have an emergency kit ready in case of a catastrophic (big and horrible) disaster. Examples of catastrophic disasters include earthquakes, major flooding, tornados, or even big snow/ice storms. When this hits your neighborhood then it affects you and your family; and could even prevent you from getting to food and clean water for hours to days, so it is essential to be prepared! Keep an emergency kit readily handy (not hidden!) for easy access in these situations! You should also make sure that your kit includes enough supplies for as many people are in your family/home.

An emergency kit should include (at a minimum); one gallon of water per person per day, for drinking and sanitation, three-day supply of non-perishable food per person (can opener too), first aid kit (Hint, Hint!), flashlight and extra batteries, cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger, wrench or pliers to turn off utilities.

As things get used and old, it is important to keep your first aid kit (and emergency kit) up to date. You should place a reminder on your calendar to do an inventory of your first aid kit, and restock as needed.

Red Cross has a wonderful website providing tips and classes for first aid and CPR! <http://www.redcross.org/prepare> - Take advantage of this!

There is also an INCREDIBLE website serving the deaf community providing medical understanding in ASL. <http://www.deafmd.org/>



WSD
Football/Cheerleaders
Fundraiser!
\$10 Admission
March 28, 2013
@ 6:30pm
Ft Vancouver
High School