

Terrier Times

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



Everyone is an All Star
Let's Celebrate!



From the Superintendent's Desk

Jane Mulholland, Superintendent

Dear WSD Family and Friends:

I want to provide an update for you on the WSD Superintendent search. We have had a number of qualified applicants from within and outside WSD. A screening committee has begun the process of conducting 1 hour interviews with all qualified candidates. These interviews will conclude by April 28th. We anticipate having 2-3 finalists, and will conduct a full day of on-campus activities for each of them May 9 & 10 (we will add May 11 if a third day is necessary).

The daily schedule for the finalist visits will include:

8:05–8:30am	Meet with Residential Graveyard Staff—Clarke Hall 150
8:45–9:15am	Meet with Elementary Students—Northrop Lobby
9:30–10:30am	Campus Tour
10:45–11:45am	Meet with Secondary Students—Lloyd Auditorium
11:45–12:15pm	Lunch with Secondary Students—Kastel
12:30–1:45pm	Formal Interview with Expanded Interview Team—Clarke Hall 334
2:00–3:00pm	Meet with WSD Classified Staff—Clarke Hall 150
3:15–4:15pm	Meet with WSD Certificated Staff—Clarke Hall 150
6:15–7:45pm	Meet with WSD Stakeholders—Lloyd Auditorium

Parents, alumni, staff, students, stakeholders and interested community members are welcome to attend the meeting Monday evening, 6:15 - 7:45 p.m.

The approximate schedule for that evening, assuming 2 finalists, will be:

- 6:15 - 6:30: Presentation by Candidate A; 6:30 - 7:00: Q & A with the audience
- 7:00 - 7:15: Presentation by Candidate B; 7:15 - 7:45: Q & A with the audience

We encourage as many of you as are able to attend the stakeholder meeting. As soon as we have identified the finalists, we will be sending information to all of you with names and background information.

This is an exciting time for WSD as we look forward to our next superintendent and the leadership the person will bring!

!!!Attention WSD 6th grade students that will be in 7th grade 2016-17!!!

You are invited to a Secondary Department Open House at the Washington School for the Deaf May 12-13, 2016. Contact Kelly Moore at 360-418-4362 or kelly.moore@cdhl.wa.gov for more information.

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Accreditation Update!

WSD was honored and received our certificate for full accreditation at the recent CEASD conference.

Terrier Families

Shauna Bilyeu, Principal

Terrier Families,

Spring is BUSY!! There are lots of activities and field trips that are occurring this spring. Please be on the look out for field trip forms and other communications from the school. There are some classroom field trips that may incur a small fee. We will always inform you if that is the case and the school can assist with costs if need be. Please let us know. A student will not be denied participation in an educational field trip because of costs.

Elementary and secondary students (grades 2 and up for MAP and 3 and up for Smarter Balanced) are wrapping up annual testing. Families will receive results for the Smarter Balanced soon (before summer!) and MAP results at their child's IEP meeting. Contact Shannon Graham if you have any questions at shannon.graham@cdhl.wa.gov.

Secondary Parents mark your calendars NOW for **All Star Day on May 26**. Look for a flier with more details soon. This is an annual WSD event that includes information for families related to classes, life after high school (we are inviting several deaf professionals to come and talk about their jobs) and shining the spotlight on our students' achievements! The senior class is hosting a carnival and the Buy One Get One Free Book Fair will be in full swing. After dinner (served by WSD teachers and staff), we will have the annual awards. Come and join the fun! It will be important for parents to RSVP so that we can have an accurate count for food. I hope to see everyone there!

The last FAN of the year is May 10th. This will be a special FAN: it is a parent panel. I know that there will be valuable information shared there. Please come! As always, dinner and childcare will be provided. Elementary families will be invited to a special awards picnic for elementary students that will occur in lieu of FAN in June. More details to come. Enjoy the (busy) spring!



**Prom
May 19!**

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*Reminder!
May 19
Early Release Day*



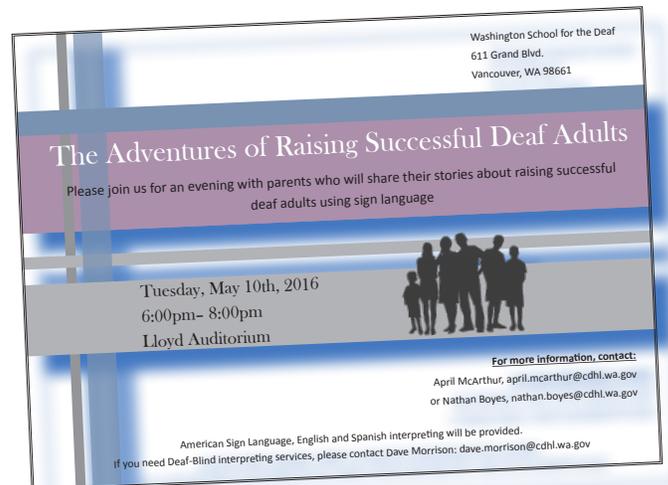
Congratulations!
WSD's own superintendent Jane Mulholland was the recipient of the Davila Award at this years CEASD conference!
This award is for people with distinguished leadership in the field of Deaf Education at a national level.



**May 31, June 1, 2
WSD - Spring Football
Workouts**

May Calendar

May 4 - Grass Roots Field Trip
 May 5 - Track Meet @ Naselle - 3:30pm
 May 10 - Family Academy Night (FAN)
 May 12 - Southwest Transition Fair at the Water Resource Center
 May 12/13 - **Secondary State Wide Open House @ WSD**
 May 17 - Terrier Community Service Day
 May 18 - ILS Cook Night and Cookie Contest
 May 19 - Early Release Day
 May 19 - District Track Meet @ Naselle - 3:30pm
 May 19 - Prom
 May 25 - Last Day of Spring ASP
 May 26 - **All Star Day - Secondary Students**
 May 26/27/28 - State Track Meet @ Eastern Washington University
 May 31, June 1, 2 - Spring Football Workouts
 May 31 - ILS Rewards Trip - 5:00pm-7:00pm



Track and Field is back at WSD!



Current Terrier student-athletes now can get a taste of a new sport at WSD: Track and Field! After a hiatus of over ten years, WSD is now fielding a Track and Field team of about 15 student-athletes led by head coach Tyler DeShaw. We are partnering with Hudson's Bay High School to train on their facilities and borrow their equipment. The team does a wide variety of events from sprints to long distance, from long jump to hurdles, and from discus throw to javelin.

The 2016 spring season has us going to one meet at Kalama, two meets at Naselle, and three meets at Hudson's Bay. The district meet is at Naselle on May 19; if our athletes meet the state standards, they will qualify for the state championships at Eastern Washington University on May 26 - 28. The most exciting meet on our schedule was April 19 where we competed with Oregon School for the Deaf and Firm Foundation at Hudson's Bay HS. **We invite you to come root us on and celebrate track at WSD!**

WSU leadership Summit!

WSD students **Kyle Culmer, Annie Kvamme, Brandy Pietch, Josh Marvel and Taylor Payne** attended Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler's First Youth Leadership Summit at WSU Vancouver on April 11. Over one hundred high school students from all over Southwest Washington attended.

The students attending the summit were identified by school faculty as having strong leadership potential. The goal of the event was to help them maximize that potential by introducing them to leaders from all walks of life - business, sports, non-profits, law enforcement, medicine -- and giving students the chance to hear their wisdom and inspiring stories. Our guest speakers were Ernie Kent, Head Coach of WSU Men's Basketball; Mason Walker, President of Audigy Group; and Kristi Kingma, former UW Women's Basketball star. The speakers shared stories about their own paths to success, and left the students with words of advice.



Students also participated in Q&A sessions with two panels made up of local leaders. The "Life After High School" panel featured Steve Valenta of The Mighty Bowl food trucks, Sgt. Alex Schoening of the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Melia Stewart of Clark College, Max Ault of the CREDC, and Sean McClain of AbSci.

The "Impacting Global Community" panel included Lisa Scott Gilliam of Shared Hope International, Bola Majekobaje of WSU Vancouver, Dr. Jonathan Purnell of the Bob and Charlee More Institute for Nutrition and Wellness, and Sam and Sharnessa Sanden from the ONE Campaign.

Math Counts!

Stowe Beecher, Math Team

Math Counts Competition is a competition for middle school deaf and hard-of-hearing students from around the country. Any deaf school or mainstream student who is deaf or hard-of-hearing can attend. The competition is modeled after the Math Counts competition, which is a national competition for public schools. The competition is held at the Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, New York, every year.

Nic Moore, Jennifer Tudor, and Jayson Cabanizas were selected this year to be a part of the math team. They practiced on Fridays for 1 hour before lunch from November until March. We sold items in the school store as a fundraiser and had a huge donation from the Deaf Education Advocates Foundation (D.E.A.F.)



The team flew to Rochester New York Thursday, April 7, and returned April 10. Students arrived in Rochester and started meeting other deaf and hard-of-hearing students their own age. Festivities began with a “meet and greet” dinner on Friday, with the team-round competition afterwards. Students had 10 questions to work on as a team to answer in 45 min. After they answered the questions, they turned it in and it was returned to them with correct answers highlighted. They continued to try and get the right answer within that 45 minutes.

Saturday was a day full of competition. It started with two individual rounds: the sprint round, which consists of 30 questions in 40 min, and the target round, which is two sets of 4 questions in 12 min. After lunch we had the team countdown which consisted of the top four teams from the night before. Then came an individual countdown round where the top 14 individuals competed against each other to determine who the top scorer as an individual was.

Saturday evening just before dinner we had an awards ceremony. All students were given a certificate of completion and a medal of participation. Trophies were also given out to the top scorers, as well as most spirit. Our team placed 18th out of 32. With individuals placing 28th, 45th, and 59th out of 120.



To complete the weekend all students and coaches were bussed



to the Altitude trampoline park where the kids bounced on trampolines and played games for 2 hours. It was a fun social experience and a great way to let off some steam after a long hard day of competition.

Overall the students had a wonderful time and they learned a lot about themselves and their skills. They were exposed to many Deaf adults and to college life. They met many students from other schools and different states and discovered they still have a lot more to learn when it comes to math.

May

Student of the Month

3 R Superstar

Joel Castro

Momentous Motivation

Annie Kvamme

Jesse Rogers

Ashantay Truong

Inspiring Improvement

Joel Castro

Nick Guterrez

Joshua Marvel

Sara Mayfield

Brandy Pietsch

Tredynn Selvog

Randall Smith

Emma McKinney

Caleb Plock

Dared Redford

Super Supportive

Haili St. Louis

Astounding Attending

Nicholas Guterrez

Kaja Stone

Stupendous Spirit

Colton Hurd

Jesse Rogers

Positively Prepared

Uma Strempler

WSD is sad to announce Alexa Roy, one of our amazing nurses, will be leaving WSD

in early June. She has been accepted to the Peace Corps and will be in Ghana for a little over 2 years. We hope she has an amazing experience and we are proud of the contribution she will be making. Thanks, Alexa, for all your work at WSD. We will miss you!

