



Leota Middle School Parent Newsletter

February 4, 2022

Good afternoon Leota families,

It is hard for me to believe that we are now into the second semester of the 2021-22 school year! Although many students' core courses remain the same, it is fun to see their excitement and energy with their new elective classes. I can also tell that the fresh start that a new semester brings is welcomed by both students and staff. Here are a few things of note this upcoming week or two:

- Season 3 sports, which involves girls basketball and wrestling, will be starting up next week. 7th and 8th grade girls basketball and wrestling will start Monday, February 7 and 6th grade girls basketball will start on Thursday, February 10. Sign-ups are done online at FinalForms and all paperwork must be complete before participation. Game schedules are posted on the [Leota athletics website](#).
- Activity buses will resume next week for after school clubs and activities. Check the [activity bus](#) maps and stops on the Leota website for more information.
- Next week is National School Counselor Week and we want to recognize and thank our school counselors (Erin Palmer, James Kim, Taryn Bakkane) for all their hard work this year serving our students' educational and mental health needs.
- Course registration for the upcoming school year will be starting in the next month or so. Be on the lookout for more information about 2022-23 course registration in our next parent newsletter.
- Leota has a couple teachers who are either new or have returned for second semester. Welcome back to Kathleen Hartman who was on leave first semester and has returned this week. Also, welcome to Heidi Padilla who was recently hired to teach our Spanish 200 and 300 courses.

Those are the main highlights this time around. I wish you and your family a very happy weekend!

Sincerely,
Bryan McNiel
Interim Principal



Week of Feb 7-11	National School Counseling Week
February 7	Periods 1-6 + Pride Green Team Club: 2:30 Room 619 Spring Play Rehearsals: 2:30 Theater Season 3 Sports Practices Begin* (7/8 Girls Basketball, Co-ed Wrestling)
February 8	Periods 1-6 + Pride Star Time: 2:30 Library Spring Play Rehearsals: 2:30 Theater
February 9	Blocks 1,2,3 Batch Testing During First Period Jazz Pathways@WHS 7:00pm
February 10	Blocks 4,5,6 + R&W+Pride Season 3 Sports Practices Begin* (6 Girls Basketball) Star Time: 2:30 Library Spring Play Rehearsals: 2:30 Theater
February 11	Periods 1-6 + Pride Art Club (Rescheduled from 2/4) 2:30 Room 623 Bookworms Book Club 2:30 Library
February 14	Periods 1-6 + Pride HS Counselors in 8th Grade Science Classes for Registration Distribution Spring Play Rehearsals: 2:30 Theater
February 15	Periods 1-6 + Pride Star Time: 2:30 Library Spring Play Rehearsals: 2:30 Theater
February 17	Blocks 4,5,6 + R&W+Pride Star Time: 2:30 Library Spring Play Rehearsals: 2:30 Theater
February 18	Periods 1-6 + Pride DF&A Notifications e-mailed home

Yearbook Photos Request

Is your student involved in something fun or interesting outside of school? If you'd like a chance for your student to be featured in this year's yearbook, please send pictures of sports, clubs, activities, travels, or anything else to leotamsyearbook@nsd.org. Please make sure to include the student's name.

February 8 election: Have you voted yet?

Have you voted yet? Northshore School District has three measures to support our students on the February 8 ballot.

Watch a video explaining the ballot measures or learn more by visiting <https://www.nsd.org/our-district/overview/bond-levies>. If you have any final questions, please let us know at bondlevy@nsd.org.

Want to know more about how to register to vote, where to drop off your ballot, or what to do if you lost your ballot? Check out Snohomish County Elections at <https://snohomishcountywa.gov/224/Elections-Voter-Registration> or King County Elections at <https://kingcounty.gov/depts/elections.aspx>

Attention 8th grade families



BE A PART OF A WINNING FOOTBALL PROGRAM THAT IS BUILT ON DISCIPLINE, PRIDE AND TRADITION.

ATTENTION: All current 8th grade Woodinville students who are in the Woodinville High School boundary...

The WHS Falcon Gridiron Club is collecting contact information for current 8th graders who intend to play or would like to learn more about WHS Football for the Fall 2022 season.

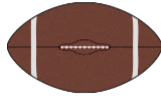
Please email the following to info@woodinvillefootball.com:

Parent(s) email, phone # and address

Player(s) email, phone # and address & current middle school

We will respond to your email with more information.

GO FALCONS!



ATTENTION: All current 8th grade Skyview/Leota students who are in the North Creek High School boundary...

Head Football Coach, Torrey Myers, is collecting contact information for current 8th graders who intend to play or would like to learn more about North Creek Football for the Fall 2022 season.

Please email the following to tmyers@nsd.org:

Parent(s) email, phone # and address

Player(s) email, phone # and address & current middle school

Coach Myers will respond to your email with more information.

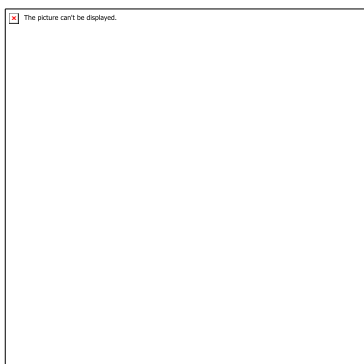
GO JAGS!





In this Issue:

1. Staff Appreciation - Sign up today
 2. Gender Diversity Webinars coming soon
 3. Membership - Join the PTSA today
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Is comfort food your love language? Let's show our amazing Leota staff how much we care this Valentine's season by treating them to soul-warming, fully loaded baked potatoes and chili for lunch. If you're bringing a chili, please drop it off between 9-10:15am on February 16, warm, in a Crock Pot (with a liner if possible, for easy clean up), with a serving spoon. All Crock Pots and serve ware

should be labeled with your name, and can be picked up after school on February 16.

Warm items should be delivered between 9-10:15am on the 16th, but non-perishable items (marked "for Staff Appreciation") can be dropped off at the Leota office on

February 14 or 15, or before 10am on February 16.

Thank you for your help! Vicki Johnson and Karla Pak

<https://signup.com/go/RTfLCsv>



Check out this FREE Two Part Series Webinar:

"Laying the Groundwork for a More Supportive and Aware Community Around Gender Diversity"

Join gender education specialist Aidan Key with Gender Diversity in examining the topic of gender diversity in children and teens, the challenges faced by these children youth and their families, exploring current research and identifying the best approaches for creating inclusive, supportive environments for these children.

Space is Limited! Register Today: <https://bit.ly/GenderDiversityWebinar>

Learn More About this Event: <http://www.northshorecouncilptsa.org/council-blog/upcoming-parent-education-event-on-gender-diversity>

TWO PART SERIES WEBINAR:

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and Aware Community Around Gender Diversity



Gender Diversity

Wednesdays at 6pm
February 2nd and February 9th

All Northshore School District families are invited to this
FREE webinar series presented by Gender Diversity.

SESSION 1:

Informational Presentation

February 2nd, 2022, 6:00-8:00pm

Login opens at 5:45pm.

SESSION 2:

Q&A Session

February 9th, 2022, 6:00-7:00pm

Login opens at 5:45pm.

There is NO requirement to attend both sessions.
Session 1 will be recorded, with no question & answer or discussion time.

Questions? Email advocacy@canyoncreekpta.org.

Register Now! Space is Limited.

Please register for webinar link and submit questions in advance for presenter
by Wednesday, February 2nd at 4pm.

Register for Webinar at:

<https://bit.ly/GenderDiversityWebinar>

Scan to
Register:



These sessions are intended for families, caregivers, educators, and community members.
Students are welcome to attend, however content (and terminology used) may be more
suited for middle & high school students.

Through the generous support of the PTAs (and their members) below, this event is offered to you **FREE OF CHARGE**.
Northshore Council PTSA, Arrowhead Elementary PTA, Canyon Creek PTA, Canyon Park Middle School PTSA, Cottage Lake Elementary PTA,
Hollywood Hill PTA, Kenmore Elementary PTA, Lockwood PTA, Northshore Middle School PTSA, PACE @ Wellington, Ruby Bridges PTSA,
Shelton View PTA, Skyview Middle School PTSA, Sunrise Elementary PTA, Wellington Elementary PTA, Westhill PTSA, Woodin PTA



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