

Professional development for LWEA members

LWEA is committed to offering a variety of professional development opportunities for our members and we continue to work on our 2016-17 selections. Click on the links below to get more information about specific upcoming presentations.

[Retirement Class](#) - February 24-25, 2017. This 10-hour class covers a wide variety of topics and is designed especially for teachers who are within 5 or fewer years of retirement.

[Creating a Culturally Responsive Classroom](#) - March 7-8, 2017. As our classrooms welcome an increasingly diverse population of learners, educators need time to reflect on their practice as culturally responsive professionals to increase effectiveness across differences among their students.

[Newbie Nights](#) - March 9, 2017. Differentiated instruction. (More information will be available soon)

[Loan Forgiveness Seminar](#) - March 23, 2017. The latest NEA Member Benefits research shows recent graduates are leaving higher ed schools with greater and greater debt. We know that student loan debt is a critical issue for our members.

[Newbie Nights](#) - April 27, 2017. Pathways to Certification.

[Retirement Class](#) - April 28-29, 2017. This 10-hour class covers a wide variety of topics and is designed especially for teachers who are within 5 or fewer years of retirement. This class is currently full.

[National Board Teacher Certification - Renewal Jump Start](#) - May 6, 2017.

[Is your Family Growing?](#) - May 31, 2017. Find out the rights and benefits you have under the law and the LWSD/LWEA contract—all of which can help to make this life transition go as smoothly as possible.

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Kevin Teeley,
President

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Learn About National Board for Professional Teaching Certification

Have you considered which pathway will work best for you to get your professional certification? Then we invite you to attend one of the information sessions located at the LWSD Resource Center:

- **March 9 - Hughes, 4:30-5:30 PM**
- **April 20 - Sammamish, 4:30-5:30 PM**
- **May 11 - Hughes, 4:30-5:30 PM**

National Board Certification is the highest credential in the teaching profession and is a voluntary process established by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). Certification is achieved through rigorous performance-based assessments that can take 1-5 years to complete. The process measures what accomplished teachers/librarians or school counselors should know and are able to do. In addition, holding a valid NBPTS certificate satisfies the ongoing clock hour requirement for 5 years of a teaching certificate, or the requirements of the Washington State Professional Certificate, whichever is applicable.

Additional information for National Board Certification is available by visiting the [NBPTS website](#), calling 1-800-22TEACH, or contacting [Kathy Colombo](#).

If you are interested in attending one of the NBPTS Information Sessions please sign up through **INFORM** (located on the LWSD Staff Portal).

If you have questions regarding registration for the meeting, please contact [Pattie Grohl](#) or 425-936-1253.

Our next year's NB Cohort begins on June 24. You must attend the LWSD Foundations (June and August) or WEA Jump Start to complete all 4 components.

PD for you!

If you are looking for professional development, we'd like to tell you about a great program. The South Sound Saturday School is a great way to find just what you are looking for.

The program, offered through Summit UniServ Council, will take place on March 18 at Pioneer Middle School in DuPont, WA.

A wide range of classes are available with free clock hours. The cost is \$25 for two classes.

For more information, use this [link](#).



SPU Teacher Leadership Master's program

Are you interested in earning your Master's of Education in Teacher Leadership with other teachers in our district? Please join representatives from Seattle Pacific University (SPU) on Wednesday, March 1, from 4:30-6:30 PM, at the LWSD Resource Center for an information session about how you can join the next cohort starting in the fall of 2017. This is an opportunity to pursue your master's degree and Pro-Teach or National Boards simultaneously in your district alongside your peers. This program will help you analyze and improve instructional techniques in both the classroom and schoolwide.

Use this information session as a chance to answer your questions about SPU's Teacher Leadership program, course sequencing, and how it can help you take the next step in your teaching career. The program has a strong track record in LWSD of graduating competent and compassionate teachers who change and improve their communities. For more details, visit [SPU's website](#), contact [Karen Ripley](#), or contact [Robin Henrikson](#), assistant professor of education.

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Scholarships for you

WEA-Retired is offering up to eight \$1,000 non-renewable scholarships for the purpose of assisting WEA members to enhance skills in specific education areas and/or attain a teaching certificate. Certificated, classified (ESP) or student WEA members are eligible to apply. Use this [link](#) to access the applications (scroll down the page).

Applications for the 2017 scholarships are now being accepted. Complete an application form and submit a letter of application using the criteria in the addendum for certificated members, classified (ESP) members, or student WEA members.

The deadline to apply for the 2017 scholarships is April 16, 2017.

A few spaces left

We have a limited number of spaces left in the February 24-25 Retirement Class taking place after the break. Go to the the LWEA [website](#) for a registration form or contact [Sheila Hagerman](#) in the LWEA office.

Congratulations to delegates!

The ballots have been counted and we have the official results of the election.

The following people will represent LWEA at the WEA RA in Spokane:

Kevin Teeley	Gerry Wilson	Maryziel Galarpe	Peggy Solum
Howard Mawhinney	Ken Egawa	Sarah Cooper	Marilyn Hargraves
Katie Badger	Ben Corey	Leanne Mawhinney	Ernest Young
Icis Tirado	Denise Radecke	Peter Cheng	Diane Fabish
Alexa Cooke	Kathy Aslamy	Jamie Teteak	Heidi Wilson
Grace Brady	Cathy Hettinger	Mary Kay Weinmeister	Debra Wilson
Kyla Thompson	Elizabeth Duncan	Sharon Gossett	Michael Finley
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The following people will represent LWEA at the NEA RA in Boston:

Kevin Teeley	Ken Egawa	Marilyn Hargraves	Peggy Solum
Howard Mawhinney	Maryziel Galarpe	Katie Badger	Sarah Cooper
Gerry Wilson	Diane Fabish	Leanne Mawhinney	Denise Radecke

National School Counselors

Due to the weather issues last week, we didn't publish an Update and missed National School Counselor Week. So this week we'd like to recognize the school counselors who work in our schools.

Please take a few minutes to thank the counselors who work in your building - they go above and beyond to help students and their families with the stresses that come with life. Thanks for all you do!



FOR RENT

Totem Lake condo, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, w/ fireplace, stainless appliances, granite tiles. Outlook onto green space. Pool, spa, clubhouse. Available now. \$1,600/month, w/ 6, 12, or 18 month lease. Call Hunter Briggs 831-710-2591. (Diana Arnold, Retired).

SERVICES

Questions about your retirement, social security benefits, or state retirement plan? Utilize a knowledgeable & experienced financial professional to help you better understand your pensions, 403(b)s, 401(k)s, & IRA's. Contact Sean Tennis, Senior Associate with Foresters Financial, 206-204-3066, ext 403, or sean.tennis@foresters.com. (Brigitte Tennis, Stella Schola).

WANTED

Single woman looking **for unfurnished room/mother-in-law/house share space** for 3-6 months. Need a quiet space while looking for a condo to buy. She is dealing w/ some medical issues, assistant comes twice/week to help cook meals, do chores, take to appointments. Prefer Bothell, Kirkland, or Woodinville area. Barbara Butler (Bell) 425-765-9516.

FOR SALE

Solid light oak computer hutch, 72"H, x 22"D x 40"W. Slide open cabinet doors - top & bottom. Pictures available. \$50. Kim Gomez (Parks) 425-445-9868 or gomezateam@comcast.net.

Tempurpedic memory foam mattress & Tempur foundation base, queen size. 60"W x 80"L x 10" H. Used - good condition. Older model set. \$400 OBO for all. Albert Karok (Kamiakin) 541-257-8744.

Entertainment center/lighted bookcases: cherry wood w/ glass doors & shelves, + other storage. Fits 60" TV. Can be used separately. Each piece is 74"H x 25"W x 23"D. Photos available. Hope Szudzik (LWHS) hope@szudzik.net or 425-308-8019.

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Village Theatre offers discount

Village Theatre is pleased to offer LWSD educators \$10 preview tickets to Writing Kevin Taylor, a new musical written by Broadway veteran Will Van Dyke and Jimmy Kimmel writer Josh Holloway. This production is part of The Beta Series, a testing ground for new musicals in development. Each preview performance will be followed by a talkback with one of the show's writers – they're continuously developing the script and audience feedback is valuable to their process.

WHEN: Previews for *Writing Kevin Taylor*
Feb 17 and Feb. 18 - 8:00 PM
Feb 19 - 2:00 PM
Feb 22 and Feb 23 - 7:30 PM

WHERE: First Stage Theatre, 120 Front Street North, Issaquah, WA 98027

HOW: Use promo code WONDERBOY to unlock \$10 preview tickets – we'll also waive the \$4 convenience fee! To purchase tickets, visit this [link](#).

Marketplace

Ads are run in the Update on a first come, first served basis. All ads need to be in written form. Send directly to Sheila Hagerman at shhagerman@lwsd.org.

Ads are subject to approval of the LWEA Executive Committee and may be edited for length.

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Calendar

Feb. 14

Executive Committee
Valentines' Day - Don't forget your sweetie!

Feb. 16-17

Mid-winter Break

Feb. 20

Presidents Day - No School

Feb. 21

First Day of School

Feb. 24-25

Retirement Class

