

Governor signs McCleary budget for 2018-19

Yesterday, Governor Jay Inslee signed into law [Senate Bill 6362](#), which improves on the McCleary school funding plan the Legislature approved last year---and includes salary increases in the 2018-19 school year.

“With more than a billion dollars in new state funding for K-12 educator salaries, certificated and classified school employees will have a huge opportunity to negotiate significant salary increases this year. Professional, competitive pay is needed to recruit and retain qualified, committed educators for our students,” said Kim Mead, WEA President.

In contract negotiations last year, LWEA and the District agreed to a four-year contract with salary reopeners for the second through fourth years of the contract. The District and Association will begin meeting on April 10 to negotiate salaries for the remaining years of the contract. We hope to have an agreement to bring to you for ratification in early June.

Please mark your calendars for June 6 at 4:00 pm at Lake Washington High School for a tentative LWEA General Membership meeting.

Here are some additional highlights of the bill the Governor signed:

- Modifies statutes to require expedited state salary phase-in to comply with the November 2017 state Supreme Court order. (Fiscal impact: \$1 billion dollars for next school year)
- Delays K-3 class size compliance until 2019-20.
- Increases the special education funding formula.
- Allows early release days in their current form.
- Funds one professional learning day in 2018-19.

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*Kevin Teeley,
President*

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Deadlines are approaching fast!

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 2018 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 2018 scholarships is April 6, 2018.

LW PTSA Council is offering two \$500 scholarships to LWSD certificated staff for continuing education programs, LWSD professional development courses, or National Board Certification (or recertification) and are available exclusively to LWSD Certificated Staff Members.

Applications can be accessed by contacting [Sheila Hagerman](#) in the LWEA office or on the LWPTSA Council [website](#). The application deadline is 6 PM on April 18, 2018. For additional information, contact [Irene Neumann](#), LWPTSA Council Scholarship Chair.

ADK Scholarship: The Beta Iota Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, the international honorary organization for women educators, is pleased to announce a \$500, non-renewable scholarship for a certificated female staff currently employed in LWSD.

The scholarship must be used for courses that are required for professional employment or advancement with either a Bachelor's degree in the field of education that is different from any previous area of study for previously earned degrees, a certification program (CTE), ProTeach, National Board), or a Master's degree in education.

The deadline to submit applications for the 2018 scholarship is 4 PM on April 20, 2018. The winner of the scholarship will be awarded at the annual Retirement Tea on June 13 at the LWSD Resource Center.

Scholarship applications are available by contacting [Sheila Hagerman](#) in the LWEA office.

Way to go!

Danielle MacDonald, a counselor at Rose Hill Middle School, has just received a Human and Civil Rights International Peace and Understanding Award from WEA. The award was for the work she has been doing in her building in the area of cultural awareness.

Congratulations to Danielle!



Armand Tiberio, WEA Executive Director, presented the award to Danielle in the RHMS staff meeting on March 28, 2018.

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Still working on your taxes?

If you're planning to do your taxes this week, don't forget that you can deduct most (but not all) of your association dues from your income tax. The dues deduction amount for teachers is as follows:

.76 - 1.0 FTE	\$1,068.88
.51 - .75 FTE	\$934.60
.26 - .50 FTE	\$557.88
.1 - .25 FTE	\$382.76

Please remember that your 2017 dues for income tax purposes includes 8 months at the 2016-17 dues rate and 4 months at the 2017-18 dues rate.

If you changed FTE from last year, keep in mind that your dues amount will be different - you will need assistance in determining the correct dues amount.

If you have any questions, please contact [Sheila Hagerman](#) at the LWEA office.

Learn About National Board for Professional Teaching Certification

Have you been considering pathways towards professional certification? Then we invite you to attend one of the information sessions located at the LWSD Resource Center:

- **March 29 - Hughes, 4:30-5:30 PM**
- **April 19 - Curriculum Library, 4:30-5:30 PM**
- **May 10 - Curriculum Library, 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. 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 NB 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.

The next year's NB Cohort begins on June 23. You must attend the LWSD Foundations (June and August) or WEA Jump Start to complete components 2-4 with LWSD.

OPPORTUNITIES

JHS Booster Club's 16th Annual Dinner & Auction to benefit JHS students. Sat, 5/19, 5:30 PM at Nile Shrine Golf Center (Mountlake Terrace). For more information or to reserve your seat, go to the [website](#).

FOR SALE

Natuzzi leather furniture, 4-piece set, black, excellent condition. Pictures available. Will sell pieces separately or as a set. Couch - \$250; Loveseat - \$175; Chair & ottoman - \$150. Bob Veres (RC) 425-829-8016.

FOR RENT

Main floor and large basement of shared entrance home: 2+ bedrooms, family room, sun room, breakfast nook, entertainment size kitchen, & deck. New paint, all hardwood flooring, large jetted tub, huge separate shower, full size washer/dryer, & lots of storage. On-site parking for 2 vehicles, walking distance to Lake Forest Park mall, easy access to all interstate highways. \$2,200/month, utilities included! \$500 deposit & 1st month's rent. No smokers or pets. Claudia Elmore (RC) 425-488-8239.

SERVICES

Pretty tile – ugly grout? **Let the Grout Doctor take care of all your grout & tile needs.** For a free estimate, call John Start at 425-947-0060. (Ila Morrow, retired).



LWEA office closed for Spring Break

The LWEA office will be closed from April 2 – 6 to allow the office staff to spend time with their families.

We'll return on Monday, April 9. Please keep in mind that we will not be checking voice mail or e-mail during the break.

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

April 2-6
Spring Break – wahoo!

April 10
Executive Committee

April 16
School Board Meeting

April 18-19
Culturally Responsive Classroom (4:30-7:30 PM)

April 19-21
WEA Representative Assembly - Spokane

April 24
Rep Assembly