



Lake Washington Education Association

Newbie Nights

A professional development series for newer teachers

January 12 2017 (4:30 - 7:00 PM)

Difficult Conversations & Family Parent Engagement

Do you wake up in the middle of the night worried about how to engage that reluctant learner or handle a difficult parent? Do you often wonder if you'll ever not be so tired? Or how on earth you are ever supposed to get everything done with the limited amount of time in the day? Then this series of professional development opportunities is just for you.

LWEA is sponsoring 6 evening sessions designed specifically for teachers with 6 or fewer years of teaching experience.

We'll provide you with hospitality, dinner, and an opportunity to hear from experts on various topics as they share strategies for surviving your first few years in the classroom.

Please join us in connecting and collaborating with others new to the profession. Find out how LWEA, WEA, and NEA can help support you in your profession.

We will focus on how to build connections with families and students that support a foundation for learning. We'll investigate how family engagement connects to the current PGE and strategies for successful communication.

Through the sharing of practical tips and tricks our panel of experienced educators will answer questions and help you find ways to how to handle real life situations for:

- Handling challenging conversations
- Moving beyond parents' own barriers
- Encouraging support for student learning at home

We will also look at ways that community connections can help enhance and foster our students' success.

We'll also have these sessions:

- February 9, 2017—Creating a Culture of a Positive Classroom
- March 9, 2017—Potpourri
- April 27, 2017—Pathways to Certification

Look for more about these sessions and other professional development opportunities in the Update (the weekly LWEA newsletter) and on the LWEA website (lakewashingtonea.org).

To register: Contact [Sheila Hagerman](#) in the LWEA office by e-mail (shhagerman@lwsd.org).

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Earn clock hours or credit while you attend these sessions!

Clock hours will be provided to all LWEA and WEA members who attend at least two sessions. Individuals interested and committed to at least four sessions can receive one college credit through Seattle Pacific University. More information will be available at each session.