



Wolves' Tales

Something to howl about...

Title I Parent Newsletter

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Washington Elementary

Lawton Public Schools

Plant donations welcome!

Washington will soon celebrate 100 years of educational excellence. We will be 'gussying-up' our grounds for this achievement. Please call the office 353-6299 if you wish to give plants to our grounds!



April's

Students of the Month

Mrs. Gibson (K)	Austin Martin
Mrs. Laub (1st)	Jacob Wright
Ms. Long (1-1/1st)	Ethan LaBudda
Mr. Cochran (2nd)	Kimberlee Nevarez
Mr. Ayers (3rd)	William Grandbergs-Duncan
Mr. Donahue (4th)	Dakota Norton
Mrs. McGavic (5th)	Jasmine Bagwell

5th grade Promotion

May 23, 2008

10:00a.m.

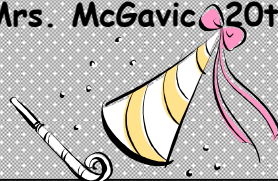
Washington Auditorium

Cake & punch will be served immediately following. Siblings are invited to attend this ceremony.

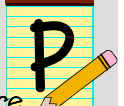


May Birthdays

Dashaun Davis 4th	Jacob Wright 27th
Jessica Garcia 7th	Abagale Sikes 31st
Lorena Proctor 9th	Mrs. Hilliard 12th
Desiree Howard 12th	Mrs. Soto 15th
Torian Jennings 12th	Mrs. McGavic 20th
Zach Carter 16th	
Kyla Aitson 19th	
Kimberlee Nevarez 23rd	
Eric Moore 26th	



Counselor's Corner



Good social skills are just four P's away....

Use these four P's to nurture and encourage your child's social skills. Here's how:

~PRACTICE. Show your child what good social skills look like.

~PRAISE. When he behaves properly, let your child know how proud you are.

~POINT OUT. If you see an example of someone using good social skills, tell your child.

~PROMPT. If he's just learning a new skill~such as saying "Excuse me"~give him a nudge when it's time to use it.

Source: "Practicing Social Skills with Children", Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics Online, www.dbps.org/articles/detail.cfm?id=114.

Bond issue proposal would add improvements across LPS

The Lawton Board of Education is asking school patrons to vote on a proposal to sell \$38.5 million in bonds to fund improvements around LPS. On May 13 voters will decide two separate proposals. The first calls for \$33.5 million for construction and technology improvements, while the second question would invest \$5 million in transportation.

The construction proposal would add 40 classrooms to elementary schools around the district and a new elementary school at Fort Sill. Also included in the proposal are 25 additional classrooms at middle schools and 25 classrooms at high schools. As part of the proposal, \$5 million would be used to purchase 2,000 computers and 800 'smart boards' for student instruction.

By law, transportation and construction issues cannot be placed together in a bond question, but must be voted upon separately. The second bond proposal would allow the district to upgrade its bus service. LPS currently owns approximately 140 buses, two-thirds of which are more than 15 years old. No bus in the district is less than 5 years old, and several are more than 30 years old.

Bonds are seen as the best way to fund the expansion, which is needed to deal with population growth resulting from the federal Base Realignment and Closure Committee's recommendation for Ft. Sill. Information from the military indicates that the district's student population could grow by 1,600-1,800 children in the next three years.



Student Motto:

At Washington we will be responsible, respectful, studious, and safe.



Star Polisher Award

...for gently polishing the shining stars in our school....

BECKY KELSEY

....an important job and awesome responsibility...

We appreciate YOU!

We have GREAT EXPECTATIONS!

Word of the Week:

Fortitude which means endurance in difficult or painful situations.

Quote of the Week:

Tough times don't last. Tough people do.

~Unknown

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Mays Concept Words

KINDERGARTEN-SELF-CONTROL *Having control over your actions and emotions. Good control will help you choose the

best actions based on what's right or wrong.

T-1 & 1ST-SELF-DISCIPLINE *Having control over what one says and does.

2ND-CAUTIOUS *The act of avoiding danger and not standing in harm's way. I am proud that you are not influenced easily by others.

3RD-PUNCTUAL *The act of arriving on time. Being on time is one way to show respect to others.

4TH-ENDURANCE *The act of withstanding hardship or stress. I like it when you keep your cool and obey the rules.

5TH-CONTROL IMPULSES *Controlling your actions and not jumping to conclusions, acting impulsively, or lashing out in anger allows you time to think before you act.



5 STEPS TO GUIDE YOUR CHILD'S TV TIME

1. BE A GOOD ROLE MODEL! LIMIT HOW MUCH YOU WATCH.
2. CHOOSE WHEN THE TELEVISION IS ON! LIMIT TV TO 2 HOURS A DAY.
3. KEEP TV'S OUT OF KID'S BEDROOMS! HARD TO KNOW WHAT THEY ARE WATCHING.
4. TURN OFF THE TV DURING MEALS! FOCUS ON TALKING TOGETHER.
5. GET ACTIVE! KEEP YOUR KIDS MOVING.

Dates to Remember

- May 1 Faculty Meeting 8:00a.m.
- Character Connex 9:30-10:30a.m. Kindergarten-5th Auditorium
- May 2 Rise & Shine 9:00a.m. Star Polisher Award Student of the Month Assembly 2:30p.m.
- Parent Connections 3:10p.m.
- 'The Salvation Army' Scholarships
- May 7 5th grade Field Trip Chisholm Trail Museum & Simmons Center
- May 9 Inclement Weather Day No school!
- May 13 Bond Election Polls will be open 7:00a.m.-7:00p.m. Don't forget to vote!
- May 15 Super Kids Day
- May 16 Inclement Weather Day No school!
- May 21 Student of the Month & Awards Assembly 2:30p.m. Auditorium
- May 22 5th Promotion 10:00a.m. Last day of school!
- May 23 Parent Conferences