

Congratulations Class of 2022!

We are proud to recognize the Class of 2022! This year, 351 seniors graduated from Arlington High School and 40 seniors graduated from Weston High School, Open Doors, and the Arlington Online Program!



Weston High School seniors graduated on June 14.



Karston Block, Devon Blumm, and Selena Burnett were recognized during a senior parade on June 13. They graduated from Arlington High School and will be joining Arlington Public Schools' Life Skills Transitions program.



Arlington High School seniors graduated on June 16.



Stillaguamish Valley Learning Center kindergartners graduated to first grade on June 14!

Summer 2022 Construction Update

In February 2020, district voters approved a \$25 million dollar capital levy to support building and facility improvements across the district. The levy improvements are intended to meet one or more of the following goals:

- Improve safety and security at instructional sites.
- Provide adequate classroom space for instructional programs.
- Improve the efficiency of building support systems like heating, ventilation, and air conditioning and electrical services.
- Increase the useful lifespan of existing school buildings or facilities.

Levy-funded improvements completed to date include:

- Construction of secure entryways at the main entrance of Kent Prairie and Eagle Creek Elementary Schools, Haller Middle School, and Arlington High School. An exterior secure entry and security fencing installations were completed at Post Middle School.
- Installation of quick-action classroom door locks, access card systems, and video camera systems at all instructional buildings.
- New floor coverings throughout Kent Prairie Elementary.

Currently underway at Arlington High School is:

- The construction of a nine-classroom addition with an expanded Life Skills suite, new tech workshop

classroom, and general education classrooms.

- A scene shop attached to the Byrnes Performing Arts Center to support the theater arts program.

COVID-19 and supply chain complications have extended the completion of the high school improvements, but we are anticipating occupying the new spaces later this summer for use in the 2022-23 school year.

Projects planned for the summer of 2022 include:

- At Arlington High School (AHS), remodel the current Life Skills suite and classroom to provide a new home for the school's Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) program and a new science classroom. The completion of this project signifies a new home for AFJROTC inside the AHS building.
- Construct secure entryways at Presidents and Pioneer Elementary schools and Weston High School.
- Install new floor coverings throughout Eagle Creek Elementary. Currently, this building has the same floor coverings that were installed in 1989!
- Install two new boilers at Kent Prairie Elementary for building heating.
- Install a new track surface at Arlington High School. The existing track surface was built in 2003 with the construction of Arlington High School and had an estimated life span of 10 years when built. It's a testament

to the skill and care of Arlington staff that the track has lasted as long as it has, but the time has come for its replacement. While we hope to complete these improvements during the summer construction window, there is always the possibility that supply chain and COVID-19 related issues can delay the completion of projects.

There are several projects remaining in the levy program that district staff

The secured entryway at Kent Prairie Elementary. Secured entryway construction at all eligible sites will be complete by the start of school in September 2023.



Construction crews work in the AHS Addition Technology Lab. The room will be used for instruction of robotics and high tech manufacturing programs.



will continue to pursue in the 2022-23 school year. The district's Facilities Advisory Committee will also continue to meet over the coming school year to revise the Facilities Master Plan and consider future needed facilities improvements. Thanks to all staff and community supporting the district in making our students' instructional spaces safer and better. Questions? Contact Brian Lewis, Executive Director of Operations, at blewis@asd.wednet.edu.

Interested in helping Arlington Public Schools plan for the future?

The Facilities Advisory Committee is seeking additional community members for the 2022-23 school year. We are especially seeking community members who live in the Post Middle School attendance area (Eagle Creek and Kent Prairie Elementary School attendance areas). Please contact **Brian Lewis, Executive Director of Operations**, for more information at blewis@asd.wednet.edu or 360-618-6238. Thank you!



A view of the classroom addition to the C Wing of Arlington High School. The original building was designed for a future expansion without disrupting classes.

Questions or comments?

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Arlington Grateful & Proud!

There is so much to be grateful for, and so much to be proud of.

We started the year returning to in-person instruction full time, which had not happened for most students since March of 2020.

We started the year with required facial coverings, and finished the year with facial coverings being optional.

We started the year with all board meetings only on Zoom, and finished the year returning to in-person board meetings, continuing the Zoom and live streaming options, which increases greater access to board meetings.

We started the year with increased academic, social emotional and behavioral needs, and finished the year with increased resources and supports to address these needs. Learning opportunities to address these ongoing needs will continue next year, and some will be available during the summer. One summer example is credit retrieval and credit advancement options at no cost for high school students. Another is the "COOL BUS," that will provide math and reading opportunities on Wednesdays, between June 29 and Aug. 3, in various locations in the community.

We finished the 2021-22 school year with celebrations of many accomplishments and achievements. One of these was the selection of the student for my Superintendent Servant Leadership Scholarship. This is the sixth year of this special award. This year, Laura Meno, from Arlington High School, was selected. She is a perfect role model for being involved, working hard and being kind. She has been involved in so many activities at her school, as well as in the community. She serves on the Arlington Youth Council and Rotary Club of Arlington, volunteers for Kids' K'loset, and is a coach and mentor to younger athletes at Post Middle School. Well done, Laura!



Other year-end celebration activities include concerts, drama/music productions, award assemblies, sports achievements, field days, Mars Days, kindness challenge, senior award night, eighth grade celebrations, and of course, our high school graduations.

We started and finished the year committed to meeting all the challenges TOGETHER. This has been joint work between home, school and the community. Thank you, everyone, for your ongoing support and partnership!

TOGETHER, we are so grateful and proud!

Have a wonderful summer, and we will see you in the fall!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chrys".

Dr. Chrys Sweeting, Superintendent

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The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

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