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End of Year Newsletter

FCCLA Students Head To Nationals in Chicago

The Mary Walker High School FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) is an organization used to promote community and family wellness as well as leadership and career education to its members.

We have 10 members representing MWHS and the state of Washington with their FCCLA projects at the National Conference in Chicago, Illinois this July. Every one of these students has put in numerous hours of hard work and has positively impacted their school and community. The projects are as follows:

• Melodie Adams and Ledia Martushoff educated young students at Mary Walker Elementary and Middle School on how to be financially fit through interactive,

life- like situations.

- Taylor Smith held a basketball camp for fourth to seventh grade students to improve their basketball skills as well as teach them life long lessons about teamwork and leadership.
- Jewell Davis and Connie Wilson educated Middle School students regarding what an abusive relationship is and where to go for help if you or someone you know is in one.
- Torrie Thramer and Sarah Beckman promoted breast cancer awareness by hosting a breast cancer volleyball and basketball game at Mary Walker High School and educating women on

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- May 19th ~ School Board Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- May 27th-28th ~ 8th Grade Seattle Trip
- May 31st ~ No School ~ Memorial Day
- June 5th ~ Graduation @ 11:00 am
- June 8th ~ 8th Grade Graduation @ 7:00 pm
- June 10th ~ Last Day of School ~ Dismiss @ 12:30 p.m.

Softball and Baseball Teams Win Leagues

Congratulations go out to the Mary Walker Chargers softball and baseball teams for winning league championships.

The softball team will play at 2:00 pm on Saturday May 22nd at Franklin Park in Spokane. The top three teams advance to the state tournament in Yakima May 28th and 29th.

The baseball team played on May 18th at Avista Stadium for the chance to go on to State. The boys beat St. Georges at that competition to finish 3rd at District and so will be playing against DeSales on Saturday, May 22nd at the State Regional games in Walla Walla.





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the signs and dangers of breast cancer.

- Amy Meyers and Nicole Presho educated high school students on the dangers of drinking and driving through an emotional presentation and interactive activities.
- Kayden Gilmore ran and received a state officer position and will be representing Washington State at the na-

tional conference.

The MWHS Chapter has done a variety of fundraisers throughout the year to help pay for the costs of registration, hotel, food and travel. They have successfully raised approximately 70% of the money needed to attend and are now asking for your support to help raise the remaining 30%. Any contribution that community members could

give would be greatly appreciated. Upon receiving your contribution the Mary Walker FCCLA will send you a Thank You card as well as a receipt for tax deductions.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Mary Walker FCCLA advisor Mrs. Jane Laaker at (509) 258-4737.

News From Elementary-Mid School

Sign your child up for a summer adventure! Students who are currently enrolled in grades K-3 may sign up. You do not have to be enrolled in the Mary Walker

School District to attend summer school. This is a FREE opportunity for ALL learners!

Dates for summer school are June 21st–July 1st and August 16th-26th (Monday thru Thursday). Parents have the option to sign up for both sessions or just one. Classes are from 8:30 – 12:30 with breakfast and lunch provided.

Students of all levels are encouraged to join us for a FUN summer adventure! Please call 258-7357 to sign up!

MSP Testing

Over the past week, students in grades 3-8 have been putting their skills to the test on the Washington Assessment, now known as the MSP (Measurement of Student Progress). Students are tested on the CORE subjects: Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Science. All of the students have been putting forth 100% each and every day. Thank you to all the parents who made sure appointments and vacations were taken after state testing. Your child's test scores will be released in the fall of 2010.

Preschool and Kindergarten Registration is Now Open!

If you have a child who is between the ages 3 to 5, we have open registration for our School-Based Preschool. If your child is of age 3 they will be signed up for a 2 day-a-week program (Wednesday and Friday), from 8:00-11:15. Transportation is provided to all students within our bussing route. If your child is age 4 or 5, they will be signed up for a 4 day-a-week program (Tuesday thru Friday), from 8:00-11:15. Transportation will also be provided for these students who live along the bussing route.

The Preschool teachers focus on basic skills needed for kindergarten readiness: social skills,

letter sounds and identification, basic math skills, arts/crafts and so much more! The first day of Preschool will be September 7th for ages 4-5 and September 8th for age 3.

If your child turns 5 by August 31st, they are eligible for Kindergarten! Students who enroll in our Kindergarten class will attend school five days a week. Academics will focus on reading, writing, science, mathematics and social studies. Social skills will also be included within the classroom day. A current immunization is needed, along with a birth certificate for enrollment. The first day of school will be September 1st.

You may register your child for both Preschool and Kindergarten over the summer months. The elementary office will be closing on June 18th, however the district office will have registration forms available for anyone who wishes to enroll after school is out. The elementary office will re-open on August 18th with hours 8:00 – 3:00.

8th Grade Promotion

Mark your calendars for June 8th! On that day our current 8th graders will be promoted to High School. Promotion will be held in the high school gymnasium due to the high number of students being promoted. Students will be required to be at the school no later than 6:30 p.m. for pictures and last minute preparations (remember appropriate attire: ladies – no strapless dress, gentlemen – slacks and a dress shirt). Promotion will start at 7pm followed by a light dessert afterward. Congratulations 8th grade class of 2014!

Kindergarten Graduation

On June 9th our current Kindergarten students will be graduating to the First Grade! A small ceremony will be held outside the elementary building at 10:00AM. Students will be given a certificate and light refreshments will be served after the ceremony. Congratulations to all of the Kindergarten students!

Updated Ethnicity and Race Category Reporting

Each year, school districts in Washington are required to report student data by ethnicity and race categories to the state's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). Ethnicity and race categories used in our district are the same as are used in all Washington school districts. They are set by the federal government, the Washington State Legislature, and OSPI.

OSPI is required to report the *total* number of students in various categories in each school to the federal government, but it does <u>not</u> report individual student data. These reports help our district and the state keep track of changes in student enrollment and various outcomes (such as graduation rates) to ensure that all students receive the educational programs and

services to which they are entitled.

Recently, the federal government and OSPI changed the reporting categories for student ethnic and race data. As a result of the new reporting categories, we need to ask you to identify your child as either Hispanic/Latino or not Hispanic/Latino and by *one or more* racial groups. Washington has 57 racial categories to choose from.

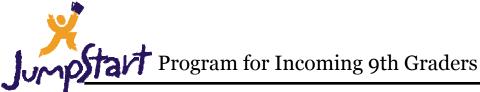
If your family is Asian, you will now be able to list your child as either Chinese, Japanese, or belonging to one or more of the other Asian groups. If your family is Native American, you will be able to list your child's tribal affiliation. If one parent identifies with one race and the other parent with another.

you will be able to check both races for your child.

Starting in September 2010, all public schools in Washington will need to start using these new categories (for a sample of new form, please see next page). For more information about the student data reporting categories, please see:

http://www.k12.wa.us/ CEDARS/default.aspx.

We appreciate your assistance in meeting the new federal requirements. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact your student's school. The K-8 telephone number is: 509-258-7357, and the HS telephone number is: 509-258-4533.



The Mary Walker High School will be hosting a summer course for next year's incoming 9th graders for four weeks (June 14-24) AND (Aug. 9-19). The class will focus on literacy skills and organizational strategies that are needed to be successful at the high school level. There will also be some activities that will help students begin to prepare for college. This session is designed to be en-

gaging, active and meaningful to prepare students for high school and beyond. There will be off-campus field trips planned once a week as well.

This course will meet Monday thru Thursday from 9am to 12 noon. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 am each morning and lunch will be available at 12:00 noon to conclude each day.

There are 20 seats available to

attend, so please call 258-4533 to register your incoming 9th grade child before June 4th.

Transportation will NOT be provided in order to minimize costs to the district.

Hope to see you this June for the *Jump-Start to High School* and College Preparation!

This course will also be opened to next year's 10th graders too!

SAMPLE Ethnicity and Race Collection Form

PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 1A OR 1B AND QUESTION 2

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	SPANIARD		SOUTH AMERICAN
	PUERTO RICAN		LATIN AMERICAN
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	NOT HISPANIC/LATINO		
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	WHITE		COLVILLE
			COWLITZ
	ASIAN INDIAN		HOH
	CAMBODIAN		JAMESTOWN
	CHINESE		KALISPEL
	FILIPINO		LOWER ELWHA
	HMONG		LUMMI
	INDONESIAN		MAKAH
	JAPANESE	- 3	MUCKLESHOOT
	KOREAN	1	NISQUALLY
	LAOTIAN		NOOKSACK
	MALAYSIAN		PORT GAMBLE KLALLAM
	PAKISTANI	3	PUYALLUP
	SINGAPOREAN		QUILEUTE
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	MELANESIAN	- 5	SUQUAMISH
	MICRONESIAN	-	SWINOMISH
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	OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER		OTHER WASHINGTON INDIAN
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Free Summer Meal Program

This summer, the Mary Walker School District will be offering free breakfast and lunch to anyone 18 years of age and younger. Meals will be available Monday through Thursday during the weeks of June 14th through July 1st and then again August 9th through August 26th. Breakfast will be served from 8:00-8:30 and lunch from 12:00-12:30. If you have any questions, please contact the District Office at 509-258-4534.

New State Immunization Requirements

The Washington State Department of Health has created a new immunization schedule for preschool and kindergarten age students. These new requirements go into effect beginning July 1st and so will pertain to students enrolled or enrolling in school for the 2010-2011 year.

The new requirements are listed below. For more detailed information, please contact the Mary Walker School District nurse at 509-258-7357 or consult your child's pediatrician or primary physician.

VACCINE ²	At 2 Months	At 4 Months	At 6 Months	At 15 Months	At 18 Months	At 23 Months	At 6 Years
HEPATITIS B	2 Doses				3 Doses		
DTaP	1 Dose	2 Doses	3 Doses		4 Doses		5 Doses
Hib	1 Dose	2 Doses	3 Doses		4 Doses		N/A
Polio	1 Dose	2 Doses			3 Doses		4 Doses
PCV	1 Dose	2 Doses	3 Doses		4 Doses		N/A
MMR	Not given before 12 months				1 Dose		2 Doses
VARICELLA	Not given before 12 months				1 Dose		

Mid-School Track Wins League Championship

Springdale's boys' mid-school track team won the Panorama League Championship May 8th at Colville H.S. What makes this amazing is that it was done with just four athletes. Austen Chapel, William Dennison, Mason Lasich, and Alvin Welch. The Colts boys won the Shot Put, Javlin, Long Jump, 100, 400 as well as strong placings in high jump, Discus,100 Hurdles, 200, 800, and Mile events. Coach Dave Howard says the boys were dedicated and worked very hard and as the season went on they improved at every meet they competed in.





Decades of College Dreams

The mission of AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is to ensure that all students, and most especially students in the middle capable of completing a college preparatory path:

- Will succeed in the most rigorous curriculum.
- Will enter mainstream activities of the school.
- Will increase their enrollment in four-year colleges.
- Will become educated and responsible participants and leaders in a democratic society.

AVID recognizes that the only way students can get into and through college is by perseverance, hard work, and, as the program name reveals, "individual determination." AVID students do not receive any special breaks. But, AVID provides what first generation college students usually lack: high expectations, encouragement, academic support, a vision that college is attainable, and guidance in ways to negotiate the system. AVID involves students in strong groups of peers and adults who share a commitment to academic achievement and who work together to help the group succeed.

AVID is designed to achieve specific objectives:

- To support students in rigorous college preparatory programs and to enroll students in honors and advanced placement classes.
- To develop the habits and skills students need to succeed.
- To develop good study habits and academic survival skills, such as, note taking, essay writing, and time management.

- To support students in maintaining grade point averages that will be competitive in applying to four-year colleges and universities.
- To foster positive attitudes toward school and higher education.
- To help students become knowledgeable about colleges, develop a plan to get in college, and apply to appropriate colleges and for financial aid.
- To enroll 100% of AVID graduates in colleges and universities including 80% in four-year institutions

The criteria for AVID are:

Ability

 Academic potential to succeed in college preparatory courses and in college with tutorial support, typically a GPA of 2.3 – 3.5 (C+ -B+) average is required in middle school classes.

Desire and Determination

- A desire to attend college.
- A willingness to undertake demanding preparation for college.

Special consideration

- Traditionally under represented students in college
- Those in low socioeconomic households (as determined by eligibility for free or reduced price lunch).
- First generation in their family to attend college
- Students who are historically unlikely to attend college
- Students who face some challenge or possible block to attending college.

NOTE: A student does not have to meet all of the criteria, a student may have other circumstances that merit participation in the program.

Mary Walker High School Graduation ceremony is June 5th at 11:00 a.m. in the gymnasium. The public is invited for bleacher seating with floor seating reserved for graduating students and their immediate families.

Mary Walker School Board and Title IX Compliance Notice

In all education programs, activities, and employment, Mary Walker School District #207 complies with all federal rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability. This is true for all students who are tivities. Inquiries regarding implementation of and compliance with Title IX regulations may be directed to the school district's Affirmative participating in educational programs and/or extracurricular school ac-Action Officers, Cheryl Henjum at 509-258-7357 or Jerry Dyar at 509-258-4533.

Title I Notice

The Mary Walker School District recognizes parents and guardians as the primary decision-makers in the education of their children. By na-All Mary Walker School District educational programs center on these truths regarding the nature of education. In accordance with these principles, the district complies with federal parental involvement legislation. By receiving federal Title I dollars, the district is required to have a parental involvement policy. Mary Walker School District Policy 4130 complies with this federal regulation. If you would like a copy of the ture, parents are the first and most important educators of their children. policy, please contact the District Office at 509-258-4534.

Request for Information About Teacher Qualifications

Any parent who has a child attending any school receiving Title I funds may request and receive, in a timely manner, information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers. In addition, the parents may also ask whether the child is provided services by a paraprofessional and, if so, his or her qualifications [Section 1111 (6)(A) ESEA]

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