

Operations Updates

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Purpose

• Provide an operations update in support of the start of school year.



- Free and reduced lunch materials translated for ten preferred languages
 - Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Russian, Vietnamese, Japanese, Arabic, Ukrainian, Farsi, Portuguese
- Use of School Messenger to communicate negative or low lunch account information. This system allows us to send messages in preferred languages
- Updated EVP process to ensure students who qualify for free or reduced lunch are in our system prior to school starting
- Continuing to serve breakfast at Issaquah High, Issaquah Middle, and Clark and preparing to expand to Issaquah Valley, Sunset, Challenger, and Apollo.



- Elementary "component bar"
 - Students self-select fruit or veggie option
 - Expands fruit and vegetable options, reduces prep time and waste
 - No limit
 - Can also access salad bar
 - Pilot at Sunny Hills, Briarwood, Cougar Ridge, and Cedar Trails





- Elementary salad bar
 - Combination of fresh and canned vegetables, fruits, protein options and condiments
 - No limit
 - Available to all students purchasing lunch
 - Every school





Clark Elementary School Breakfast







Facilities and Maintenance Highlights

- Implemented new work order system
 - Tools to track costs and improve planning
 - Estimated \$15,000 \$20,000 cost savings
 - Better efficiency
- 470 work orders completed over the summer
 - Typically complete approximately 4,000 per year
- Parking lot striping at Challenger, Cougar Ridge, Transportation, Skyline, Beaver lake, and the Administration building
- Restriped and reconfigured Issaquah Valley lot to improve student safety and traffic flow
- Field care and playground maintenance completed throughout the district



Facilities and Maintenance Highlights

Installation of a new bullpen for the Liberty softball field



Bed maintenance at all sites





Transportation Highlights

- Continued to provide transportation for summer school
- Provided driver training focused on de-escalation strategies
- Scored 100% on State patrol inspection for buses and white fleet
- Overhauled bus wash
- Made improvements to Issaquah Middle and Issaquah High bus loading zone
- Balanced routes and refined route timing



Transportation Highlights









- The Safety and Security Team attended the Washington School Safety Organization Conference in June 2023
 - De-escalation techniques
 - Student mental health
 - HB 1214 (2021) Expanding requirements for SSO training



- Provided training to administration staff on emergency preparedness including a tabletop earthquake drill with Elementary Principals
- Executive Emergency Response Plan updates and distribution
- Successfully installed tenth radio repeater enhancing emergency radio coverage throughout the district
- All buildings supplied with at least 2 district-wide emergency radios
- Completed advanced Stop-the Bleed training with the King County Sheriff's office
- Completed Fentanyl training with DEA















Air Quality and Inclement Weather

- Updated Emergency response plan for air quality
 - Includes new framework and guidance from DOH
 - https://doh.wa.gov/sites/default/files/legacy/Documents/Pubs/334-332.pdf?uid=64f792102f65a
 - Purchased indoor air sensors for IAQ monitoring and response
- Working with the Communications Department to draft updates for winter weather including delays, closures, and process.



Challenges

- Road construction and route timing
 - 2nd Avenue construction
 - SR 900 delays
 - Changing traffic patterns



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May Valley, BLMS Custodial Staff

"To all the May Valley and building custodial staff who have worked on BLMS this summer: Thank you to all the ISD facilities staff that have worked so hard on Beaver Lake Middle School during this summer! We appreciate everything you do, behind the scenes, to make our school the best it can be!"

- Custodians Chris Wilson, Tony Lam and Yun Tim Lau, ISD Administrative Building
 "Thank you, Chris, Tony and Yun Tim, for supporting the Administrative Building this summer with all the staff moves and clean up. Your friendly, helpful and kindness mattered to those of us who filled your loading dock and left plenty of recycling in our wake,"
- Craig Abbey, I.H.S.

"The Special Services Vision team is grateful for Craig's support as we moved into a new Vision room at IHS and figured out furniture and spacing! Craig went above and beyond to help the team create a warm and welcoming space for our incoming freshman with visual impairments and current IHS students receiving services, too. Our Teachers of the Visually Impaired (Dr. Jen Soltis and new TVI Julie Schaar), our new Orientation & Mobility Specialist Shari Marley, and our IHS braillist team (Gail Pearson, Kim Osgood and Laurel Bluhm) would all like to thank Craig for his collaboration!"

Liberty HS Kitchen Staff

"Cheronne, Gyehwa, Michelle, Angela, and Satoru, it is so good to have you back in the building! You bring such great energy and work so hard every day. Thank you! And we are lucky to have the same awesome team in our kitchen again this year!"