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SWSD Navigator - Survey Coming Monday 6/8/20

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Did You Know....



The Center for Educational Effectiveness

Center for Educational Effectiveness Re-Opening Survey Opens Monday, June 8th. Read more below.

SWSD 2020-21 Highly Capable Program Nominations Are Due Monday, June 15, 2020. Please check your email for a letter from Dr. Fankhauser for more information.

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Bok Choy, Veggie Starts, You Tube Videos and more. The **SW School Farm** is continuously producing for our students.

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Time to return library and text books! Starting Monday, the Eagle Book drop will be outside the front entrance of SWHS. The Eagle Book drop off container is for Library Books only. All other text books should be brought into the school office.

Announcing Online New Student Registration for the 2020-21 School Year!

This year, we've added the convenience of online registration!

Visit the district website and go to "Families" and "Enrollment". The school office staff will be able to assist you through the end of June. We will close for the month of July and re-open in early August.

If you have any further questions, please contact our building registrars:
Grades K-4: Jennie Franks (jfranks2@sw.wednet.edu or 360-221-6808 ext 4502)
Grades 5 & 6: Megan Robinson (mrobinson@sw.wednet.edu or 360-221-6808 ext 4660)
Grades 7-12: Gay Bitts (gbitts@sw.wednet.edu or 360-221-6808 ext 5411)

[Online Registration Linked Here](#)

Online Registration
It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

Family Access
New Families: apply for a Online Registration Access (Skyward)
Returning families: go straight to step 2.

STEP 1
New Student Registration

Submit Online
Go to Skyward Family Access and sign in under "Enrollment Access" tab. Submit your new student registration online.

STEP 2

Supporting Docs
Please upload, email, or drop off supporting documents: birth certificate, immunizations, proof of address, parenting plan (if applicable), academic records/transcripts (grades 7-12)

STEP 3

Click here to submit an email with any questions



[Amended School Board Calendar Linked Here](#)

The next Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 6:30pm, held as a Zoom webinar. The agenda is still to come.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://southwhidbey.zoom.us/j/95362661329?pwd=VFdTN3RscHRpSIZHN1krOTJzbGhzQT09>

Password: 676835

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+16699006833,,95362661329#

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Webinar ID: 953 6266 1329

International numbers available:

<https://southwhidbey.zoom.us/j/agpwwgWxA5>

[Agendas and minutes from previous meetings and SWSD policies can be found on Board Docs linked here.](#)



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Center for Educational Effectiveness Re-Opening Survey - Opens Monday June 8th

As we get ready to close the 19-20 school year, we are all wondering what school may look like when we return. Looking ahead to the 2020-21 school year, we are developing plans for a variety of scenarios and an effective back-to-school transition. Your feedback is essential. To get your perceptions, we are partnering with the Center for Educational Effectiveness (CEE) who will administer the EES (Educational Effectiveness Survey)-Reopening Survey™ to all stakeholders.

Staff, student, and parent perceptions will be gathered around:

- Safe & Supported Learning Environment
- Transportation & Food Safety
- Teaching & Learning
- Access & Engagement
- Scheduling & Staffing

To gather this information, we are asking that you take less than 10 minutes to complete the survey that will be emailed to staff, parents and students on Monday, June 8th. For parents with students in more than one building, you are encouraged to complete the survey for each student. For staff, you will receive an email directly from CEE. For parents and students, you will receive an email on Monday, June 8th, from South Whidbey School District with a link to the survey.

The survey is confidential and anonymous. CEE will protect the confidentiality of each respondent.

Thank you for your feedback!

SWSD Staff Highlights:

Today, we highlight teacher [Rachel Kizer](#) who will be retiring from education in just a few short weeks.

Rachel has taught multiple grades and touched the hearts, minds and souls of many children throughout the years.

Please take a moment to learn something you might not have known about Rachel. Rachel will be moving off the island after retiring. Her future plans will find her "Back Home Again in Indiana," spending time with her family and dearest friends. She is sad to leave the Island that has been her home for 35 years, but know with Rachel Field that "...once you have slept on an island, you'll never be quite the same."

Be sure to send Rachel a congratulations on her retirement to her email at rkizer@sw.wednet.edu.



Staff Name: Rachel Kizer

Building/Campus: South Whidbey Elementary School North Campus

Grades you work with Position: Currently 4th grade, many years of grades 6 and 7 at Langley Middle School

How long have you worked for SWSD?

34 years, I started as a substitute teacher in 1986. I subbed for 2 years before being hired as a 6th grade teacher 12 hours before school began in September, 1988

Describe your role:

Teaching for me has always been a calling. It is an honor and a privilege to be trusted with the care and education of young people. Each child for me is a unique individual with needs and wants for me to discover, nurture, challenge and support. I accept the great responsibility of being both a teacher and a learner. I advocate for each student, often thinking outside the box to make each child's days at school the best they can be. I find great joy in partnering with my families and celebrating each and every milestone. I work with incredible staff in our school district and feel blessed to work with so many talented and dedicated people. I believe the world is full of wonder and this is a wonder-filled community. I am grateful to have shared so many years and so many experiences with South Whidbey. My heart is full. I may be retiring, but I am taking many, many memories with me. Thank you for being part of my life and my journey.

Favorite thing about your job?

My favorite part of teaching is spending each day with kids. Finding the fun and ways to celebrate every day and in every way. Helping kids stay curious and learn to love learning is paramount. I love the challenge and the creativity required of me each day!

Most interesting part of your job?

I always think of it as teaching at the speed of light. I always have too much to do and not enough time. I overplan, constantly assess how it is going, then adjust minute by minute for the good of each student and the good of the class as a group.

All-time favorite movie?

The Sound of Music. What could be better than kids, music, beautiful scenery and overcoming adversity!

Favorite spot on Whidbey?

Double Bluff on a hot summer day with a low tide, dogs, and wading in knee deep water!

How do you spend a day to yourself?

I love to read, play piano and sing.

What is the luckiest thing to happen to you?

My incredible, inspirational daughter, Amber. She is my hero.

What is on your bucket list?

I want to spend time with dear friends and family, especially my daughter. I want to read all the books piled up in my house. I want to return to visit Scotland where I lived for 3 years as a young child. I want to spend time with animals and in the beautiful nature that surrounds us.

In your own words...

I am so grateful for the education and experiences I have shared with all of you on South Whidbey. Thank you for supporting me, our entire staff, and all the kids we care so much about! I will be forever blessed by this time I spent with all of you.

Important Dates

June 9

Blue Fox Drive In viewing of the Senior Slideshow.

June 13

[SWHS/SWA Class of 2020 Graduation and Parade](#)

June 15

Highly Capable Learning Nominations Due

June 19

Last Day of School Via Continuous Learning,
Promotion Celebrations

Quick Links

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