



MEDICAL LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PO Box 128, Medical Lake WA 99022

## WELCOME BACK from Superintendent, Dr. Pam Veltri:

The start of a new school year is just around the corner and we are pleased with the progress we have made with our buildings. We have done some major trimming to our budget but our continual goal is to provide our students with a successful educational experience.

We are happy to announce Darlene Starr (former vice principal of the high school) as the new principal of Michael Anderson Elementary. She has already spent many hours in her new office and she is excited to meet all the students and parents of Fairchild Air Force Base.

Our Alternative students will be starting the school year in their newly remodeled building (the old Medical Building) that will also be shared with our Educational Support Systems staff and Food Services Department. The old Alternative building will now be used by our building computer technicians and the maintenance staff.

As always, you are invited to visit any of our schools, please contact the office to set up a time. I look forward to another successful school year, especially with our newly awarded Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Grant of \$1.35 million dollars! We are gearing up for all the wonderful opportunities this grant will bring to our students.



## CALENDAR

August 30	9th Gr. Sneak Peek- 9:00 am to 12:00 6th Gr. Sneak Peek -12:00 to 3:00 pm
September 3	NO SCHOOL-Labor Day
September 4	Open House 1:00 to 3:00 pm at: Michael Anderson and Hallett Elem.
September 5	<b>FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>
November 8	HS Term 1 Ends
November 9	Half Day Early Release-MLHS
November 12	NO SCHOOL-Veterans' Day
November 13	K-8 End of Trimester 1
November 20	Evening Conferences –MLHS
Nov 20-21	NO SCHOOL Grades P-8 Conferences
November 21	One Hour Early Release for MLHS
Nov 22-23	Thanksgiving Break

## New School Start and Dismissal Times

High School	8:00 a.m. – 2:20 p.m.
Middle School	8:00 a.m. – 2:21 p.m.
Hallett	8:35 a.m. – 2:35 p.m.
Anderson	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## KINDERGARTEN CHANGES

The Washington State Legislature approved the implementation of a new school transportation funding formula for the 2012-13 school year. This formula no longer generates additional funding for mid-day transportation as it did in the past. These mid-day bus runs are now a direct cost to the district general fund.

In light of the fact that our funding is decreasing, and in an effort to keep as much of the funding in the classroom as possible, we will be offering full day kindergarten (every other day) sessions beginning fall 2012. The model for these sessions will follow other districts across the state.

Kindergarteners will attend all day Monday, Wednesday and every other Friday, (~~or~~ Tuesday, Thursday, and every other Friday). The total contact time in the classroom with their certificated teacher will be the same as they now receive over the course of the year.

## NUTRITION SERVICES INFO

### Breakfast

Elementary - \$1.20  
Middle/High - \$1.45  
Adults - \$1.75



### Lunch

Elementary - \$2.20  
Middle/High - \$2.60  
Adults - \$3.60

Reauthorization for school meals has started with new requirements for us to follow. We are required to offer specified amounts of these products every week; less meat, bread and starchy foods. We will offer more dark green, red/orange vegetables, legumes and fruits. Whole grain breads are now required. Students are required to take 1/2 cup fruit/vegetables daily, along with three items of any combination of 1/4 cup and 1/4 cup portions or 1/2 cup of the same item. Calories are limited to the following per meal average: **Kindergarten through grade 5** = 550 to 650 calories      **Grades 6-8** = 600 to 700 calories      **Grades 9-12** = 750 to 850 calories

A blocking form is available through Family Access to parents that want their children to only have one meal and not allow them to purchase extra items. It can also block your child from choosing chocolate milk. The District is required to offer two or more choices of low and fat free milk for both breakfast and lunch (1% unflavored and fat free either flavored or unflavored).

Working as a team (parents, staff, cooks and students), we hope this change will bring better nutrition to our kids and any suggestions you may have are welcome.

The free/reduced meal applications are now available online through Family Access. When logged into Family Access under Food Service – click on the Application tab. If you need a Family Access log in, please e-mail [ddupey@mlsd.org](mailto:ddupey@mlsd.org) with your name and the names of your child/children.

## PIZZA FEED FUNDRAISER



The “all you can eat” pizza, breadsticks and soda fundraiser for Jackie Gleason will be on September 14, from 5:00 p.m. to close at the Pizza Factory in Medical Lake. MLSD staff and friends of Jackie will be working it (the story is on our website at [www.mlsd.org](http://www.mlsd.org)). adults =\$8.00, children ages 5 through 11= \$5.00 and families=\$25.00.

## SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO JOSH GRIST AND PAIGE WOOD



These two students received "Master" level with the new Microsoft IT pilot at Medical Lake High School. Only twelve students in the state received this level of certification. Medical Lake is part of the Microsoft IT pilot where students can earn certifications for their skill level. It is an exciting program, in which there are no certification test fees at this time.



Both students will be attending college this fall, and Paige has acquired a job as the assistant to the director of Eastern Washington Universities URC where one of her main duties will be maintaining a schedule and a budget that requires significant Microsoft Excel abilities. Congratulations Josh and Paige!

## AUNDREA LUND AND CARLY MILICH ARE WINNING ESSAY WRITERS



We are proud to announce that two Medical Lake Middle School students won cash prizes in this year's Washington State Law Enforcement Association's essay contest, "Why I will say NO to Alcohol and Drugs!" Aundrea Lund won first prize in the Eastern Washington zone and went on to be awarded the grand prize for the state for a total of \$700. Carly Milich won the \$100 third place prize. Detective Dan Blashill and Deputy Lawler came to present them with their awards.

Photo: Detective Dan Blashill, Deputy Lawler, Ms. Tara Lund, Aundrea Lund, Ms. Tracy Spencer, Carly Milich, and Ms. Diana Milich.

## EASY TO UPDATE YOUR STUDENT INFORMATION

**STUDENT REGISTRATION** is a new area in Family Access where you can verify or update information for your child/ren. This process will replace the emergency cards/paperwork. The name Student Registration may be misleading. It is actually a verification of information (such as phone numbers, etc.) To complete this process, click on each step's button, put in the information, and check the completed box. When all four boxes have been checked, click on the Complete Registration button. Even if you are not making an online food service payment or submitting a free/reduced application you will still need to click on the button to open that step, close it and check completed. **Step 1: Student Information and Step 2: Insurance Protection needs to be completed each year for every child.** If you need Family Access login information, please contact Debra Dupey at [ddupey@mlsd.org](mailto:ddupey@mlsd.org). If you do not have internet access, please contact your child's school after August 22 and ask for an emergency update form.

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