



SCHOOL UPDATE

June 2016



MEDICAL LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 326

CALENDAR

June 13 ~
8th Grade Promotion
Middle School 6:00 pm

June 13 ~
5th Grade Graduation
Michael Anderson
2:00 pm

June 14 ~
LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL

June 14 ~
Alternative High
School Graduation
High School
Auditorium 6:00 pm

June 18 ~
Founder's Day Parade
10:00 am

June 21 ~
Board Meeting
RESCHEDULED
Administration Office
6:00 pm

June 28 ~
Buildings close for the
summer

Message from the Superintendent

As the 2015-2016 school year comes to a close I want to thank our great students, staff, parents and community for making this another remarkable year.

I'd like to extend a special thanks to our maintenance and grounds crew. They work tirelessly all year to keep our buildings and grounds in top shape. Earlier when we had a trace amount of lead in the pipe connections at the middle school, maintenance notified all appropriate personnel and administration. They assured everyone it was in connection areas only, not drinking fountains. All safety measures were taken to assess and quickly resolve the situation. Thank you maintenance and grounds for your hard work.

I had the pleasure to attend graduation on June 4th. It was a packed house with 139 total graduates, including 4 foreign exchange students. Our upcoming Principal, Chris Spring did a great job on the ceremony. We are sad to see John McSmith retire after 10 years as principal, but excited to see what changes will follow. Congratulations and best wishes to the class of 2016.

Our sports and academic teams had a great year. Nearly every team made it to regionals or state. They make our school district stand out in such a positive way. It says a great deal to the dedication and hard work of all our students.

We asked parents, staff and the community to participate in two Thought Exchange surveys beginning in September 2015. We asked your thoughts and concerns about our schools. Later, we included the student body in a similar survey. We were able to review the results and shared them with everyone. It is our hope to use the information we received to provide better student engagement and instruction in the coming year. I would like to thank everyone who participated. Community involvement is very important to our continued success.

Speaking of community, I have been fortunate to be a part of Re*Imagine Medical Lake. It is a grassroots organization formed to bring back a thriving community where residents, local government and businesses work and prosper together. They plan to show a film during Founder's Day, in the High School auditorium showing what Medical Lake was like years ago. I'm including more information for Re*Imagine Medical Lake on page 2.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for their continued support for our schools during late start Fridays. Thank you to the City of Medical Lake and all the Youth Organizations at Fairchild Air Force Base that helped with before school care. That support is, and will be, vital as we move into the next school year.

Have a great summer with family and friends. See you in the fall!

Sincerely,

Timothy D. Ames
Superintendent



FOUNDER'S DAY ~

Saturday, June 18

Parade starts at 10:00 am

All day festivities include:

3 on 3 Basketball

Triathlon

Car Show

Re*Imagine Medical Lake Slide Show

Softball Tournament

Craft Fair

Kids Activities



Re*Imagine Medical Lake
Is a grassroots organization formed to bring back
a thriving community where residents, local
government and businesses work and prosper
together. Re*Imagine Medical Lake needs support
of the community in order to succeed. To learn
more about Re*Imagine Medical Lake, see what
they do, view photos, see who the current
members are or find out when the next general
meeting is, please go to:

<http://www.meetup.com/ReImagineMedicalLake/>

Together we can bring back the vitality that was
once Medical Lake.

Look what we accomplished!

2016 PACE Award Winners from:

Michael Anderson ~ Emily
Farley

High School ~ Connor Hart

Middle School ~ Kyler Castro

Hallett Elementary ~ Riley
Chiamulon



Class of 2016

Valedictorian
Jeremy Ryan

Salutatorian
Brenna Strain



Congratulations to Hallett Elementary for receiving the NEWESD101 Washington Achievement Award for High Progress again this year!

Pictured left to right:

Terry Remendowski 4th grade teacher; Timothy Ames, Superintendent; Cindy McSmith, Principal; Wendy Gilbert, 5th grade teacher.



Boys Basketball 2016 State Regional Champions finished 7th in State Championship Finals in Yakima.

Medical Lake School District received the honor of being named a STEM Lighthouse District by OSPI earlier this year. "Lighthouse schools serve as leaders and examples of what can happen with STEM education" – *Randy Dorn*

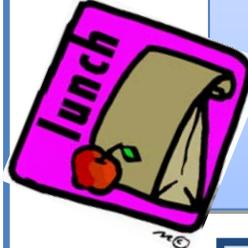
New for the 2016-17 school year, all high school students are required to have 2 doses of varicella vaccine before school begins in the fall. Students who already received 2 doses are not required to get more shots.



Every year, over 20,000 students participate in Microsoft Imagine Certification courses in Washington State. Medical Lake had 3 students place in the Top 3. Pictured left to right: Josh Marsh, 1st-State Champion in Microsoft Excel; Daniel Hammac, 3rd in Microsoft Powerpoint; and Weston Thomas, 1st-State Champion in Microsoft Powerpoint. Congratulations!

2016/17 Dates

August 17 ~ Buildings Open
August 25 ~ 9th Grade Sneak Peek
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
August 25 ~ 6th Grade Sneak Peek
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
August 30 ~ Open Houses @ Hallett
and Michael Anderson Elementary
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
August 31 ~ First day of school
School Times:
Hallett 8:30 – 2:45
Michael Anderson 8:55 – 3:10
Middle School 7:55 – 2:25
High School 7:55 – 2:25



FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR KIDS!!

Once again, Medical Lake Schools, in sponsorship with the Summer Food Service Program for children, is offering breakfast and lunch free of charge to everyone 18 years of age and under.

This year meals are being served at Hallett Elementary, 524 S. Hallett Street, Monday through Thursday, June 27 to August 18. There will be no meals served on July 4. Breakfast is served at 9:30 am and lunch is served at 11:30 am. Rules for participation are as follows:

- Must be 18 years of age and under
- You must take the entire meal
- All food must be consumed on site
- Meals are on a first come, first served basis
- Proper indoor behavior is required, all school rules must be followed

Good News! Medical Lake School District has refinanced a portion of its outstanding bonds to take advantage of lower interest rates. Refinancing will save District taxpayers a total of \$1,272,338 over the next 13 years. Savings will flow directly to taxpayers through reduced tax levies and is not available for District expenses.

The Medical Lake School District No. 326 complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and will provide equal employment opportunity and treatment for all applications and staff in recruitment, hiring, retention, assignment, transfer, promotion and training. Such equal employment will be provided without discrimination with respect to race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with disability, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the school district's Title IX/RCW28A.640 officer and/or Section 504/ADA coordinator: Timothy D. Ames, Superintendent, P.O. Box 128, Medical Lake, WA 99022, (509) 565-3100. Visit www.mlsd.org/domain/152 for a link to complaint procedure.

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