Neighborhood schools

Students are guaranteed attendance at the neighborhood school in their attendance area. All of the district's neighborhood schools offer rigorous academic programs and unique opportunities for student learning. During open enrollment, the list of schools with space available that are open for in-district transfer or variance requests will be published on the district website.

▶ Choice schools

Choice schools are open to all students in the district. All of the district's choice schools offer rigorous academic programs and unique opportunities for student learning. Students must apply to be considered for enrollment in the school. Each choice school uses the district's common application. These schools are small by design so there are enrollment limits. A lottery and waitlist system is used to place students when applications exceed available space.

As part of the application and lottery process, attendance at the choice school's information night is highly recommended. Applications will be available on the district and choice school websites.

2017-18 Choice School Application & Registration Timeline:

December 12, 2016 - Application available online January 20, 2017 - Applications due by 4 p.m.
February 1, 2017 - Lottery held at district
February 6, 2017 - Notification letters mailed
February 22, 2017 - Acceptance deadline

Choice School Transportation

Parents/guardians of students who attend choice schools must arrange their own transportation. In some cases, the district offers bus transportation. Contact the choice school you are interested in for more information about transportation or the application process.

Planning ahead for 2017-18

Middle Schools in LWSD

Highlighting choice schools and neighborhood schools for incoming sixth through eighth graders



As parents of fifth graders, you should be aware of the choice schools and neighborhood middle schools that exist in Lake Washington School District.

While all students in Lake Washington School District are guaranteed attendance at the neighborhood school within their attendance area, families may also consider applying to one of the district's choice schools, whose enrollments are lottery-based, or families may consider applying for a change from their neighborhood school assignment, also known as an in-district transfer or variance.

This brochure highlights the various choice schools and neighborhood schools available to students across the district.

The district's elementary schools serve students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Middle schools serve students in sixth through eighth grade. High schools serve students in ninth through 12th grade.



Choice Schools (See application timeline on front or back page)

Environmental and Adventure School

Located at Finn Hill M.S. 8040 N.E. 132nd St. Kirkland, WA 98034 425-936-2355 www.lwsd.org/eas Principal: Victor Scarpelli, Jr.

Note: Applications due 1/20/17

Parent & Student Information Night: January 17, 2017 6:30–8:30 p.m., Finn Hill Middle School Commons

- Maximum 140 students, grades 6-8
- · Rigorous and challenging curriculum organized around district and state standards
- · Language arts, social studies, science, and art curriculum integrated around yearly themes
- Multi-grade classes in all subject areas
- Adventure education (school excursions) and community stewardship projects connected with academic learning, personal challenge and teamwork
- Extensive parent volunteer involvement
- See school website for more information

Emerson K-12

Emerson Campus 10903 N.E. 53rd St. Kirkland, WA 98033 425-936-2311 www.lwsd.org/emk-12 Principal: Nell Ballard-Jones

Quarterly information meetings. Contact the school for more information.

- Maximum 350 students, grades K-12
- · Partner with families who instruct their children at home
- · Smaller class sizes
- · Enrichment and core classes
- Full access to Running Start and WANIC skills programs for 11th & 12th graders
- · Fully accredited
- Option for LWSD diploma
- Personalized learning plans are provided for each student
- Instruction provided using LWSD curriculum & state standards

International Community School (ICS)

11133 N.E. 65th St. Kirkland, WA 98033 425-936-2380 www.lwsd.org/ics Principal: Dr. Gregory Mo

www.lwsd.org/ics Principal: Dr. Gregory Moncada Note: Applications due 1/20/17

Information Night: January 12, 2017, for all incoming sixth graders

6–8 p.m., ICS Lyceum. Applicant and one parent should attend this meeting. (Other grades are welcome to apply but there are existing waitlists.)

Please do not bring siblings. We do not have space to accommodate extra people.

- Maximum 440 students, grades 6-12
- Focus on classical education with global applications in business, law, social sciences and science
- · Highly integrated core content areas of international studies, humanities and art
- · Four years of Spanish required
- All high school courses are offered at the Honors or AP level
- 99% of ICS graduates attend a four-year college
- · Majority of graduates earn scholarships

Northstar Middle School

Located at Emerson Campus 10903 N.E. 53rd St. Kirkland, WA 98033 425-936-2390 www.lwsd.org/nsms Principal: Nell Ballard-Jones Note: Applications due 1/20/17

Parent & Student Information Night: January 11, 2017 6:30–8 p.m., Emerson High School Gym

Please do not bring siblings. We do not have space to accommodate extra people.

- Maximum 90 students, grades 6-8
- Challenging academic program with high-level expectations for all students
- Mixed-age, theme-based classes, focus on humanities and sciences
- Emphasis on academic excellence and service to the community
- Organized like a college curriculum students choose courses each semester

Renaissance School of Art and Reasoning

Located at Eastlake High 400 228th Ave N.E. Sammamish, WA 98074 425-936-1544 www.lwsd.org/rsar Principal: Chris Bede Note: Applications due 1/20/17

Information Night and Tour: January 10, 2017

- 7-9 p.m., Eastlake High School Theater
- A maximum of 96 students in grades 6-8 develop in an environment of academic rigor, using multiple approaches and perspectives
- Focus on integrating the visual and performing arts with a challenging science and mathematics curriculum
- Students are known and nurtured as important individuals who have an active concern for their community and society
- Strong parent involvement and volunteerism
- · Numerous after-school enrichment programs
- Tuesday and Thursday Student Teacher Academic Time (STAT) from 2-3 p.m., where students can complete work and/or receive extra help with assignments

Stella Schola Middle School

Located at Rose Hill M.S. 13505 N.E. 75th St. Redmond, WA 98052 425-936-2475 www.lwsd.org/ss

Principal: Erin Bowser

Note: Applications due 1/20/17

Family Information Night: December 15, 2016 7-9 p.m., Rose Hill Middle School Commons

- 90 students, grades 6-8
- Challenging academics based on historical themes & integrated with classic literature
- Students remain with the same teacher all day, providing strong support and a personalized learning environment
- Hands-on learning activities, projects, and field experiences
- Two years of required Latin taken by all students in grades 7 and 8
- One-to-one student mentoring at sixth grade
- Honors distinction available for students who choose to opt-in in grades 7 and 8
- Elective options including band, orchestra and fitness

Neighborhood Middle Schools

Evergreen Middle School

6900 208th Ave N.E. Redmond, WA 98053 425-936-2320 www.lwsd.org/ems Principal: Robert Johnson

5th Grade Parent & Student Information Night – February 7, 2017 6:30-8 p.m., Evergreen Middle School Fieldhouse

- 1,131 students, grades 6-8
- Exceptionally collaborative staff who design and implement challenging learning, resulting in high student achievement and strong critical thinking skills
- High impact intervention programs through classrooms, homeroom, WEB (Where Everyone Belongs) leaders, student leadership, and a wide array of activities resulting in a positive studentcentered environment
- Strong emphasis on communication with students and parents, including the use of weekly email newsletters and electronic learning management systems (PowerSchool Learning)
- Wide selection of engaging and diverse elective classes including visual and performing arts, student leadership, and career and technical options

Finn Hill Middle School

8040 N.E. 132nd St. Kirkland, WA 98034 425-936-2340 www.lwsd.org/fhms Principal: Victor Scarpelli, Jr.

Parent & Student Information Night: January 10, 2017 6:30-8 p.m., Finn Hill Middle School Gym

- 631 students, grades 6-8
- Math acceleration available in seventh and eighth grade
- Sixth grade elective queue, which introduce students to four electives (life skills, computer literacy, art, and organization)
- Electives include state-of-the-art foods and nutrition program, photography, leadership, and the art of glass.
- Strong emphasis on personalization during Falcon Time. Twice weekly College Prep program allows student access to reteaching of skills as well as enrichment during the school day.
- AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Elective and School Wide program. Emphasis
 on challenge, closing the achievement gap, college readiness, and personal success.

Inglewood Middle School

24120 N.E. 8th Street Sammamish, WA 98074 425-936-2360 www.lwsd.org/ims Principal: Tim Patterson

5th Grade Parent Information Night: January 17, 2017

7-8:30 p.m., Inglewood Middle School Gym

- 1,250 students, grades 6-8
- Strong emphasis on personalization through teacher teaming
- The number of teachers students work with during their sixth grade year is limited to reduce student stress
- Students are nurtured and taught to lead within their community
- Rigorous academic program in all curriculum areas, including electives
- Honors distinction available for all students who choose to opt-in
- Core philosophy: depth of study over breadth of study
- Professional Learning Communities form our philosophical foundations of our work to improve the student experience at Inglewood.

Kamiakin Middle School

14111 132nd Ave N.E. Kirkland, WA 98034 425-936-2400 www.lwsd.org/kams Principal: Joe Joss

5th Grade Parent/Student Orientation: February 13, 2017

7-8 p.m., Kamiakin Middle School Gym

- 550 students, grades 6-8
- Students represent 70+ countries
- Academic opportunities for a diverse community. Sixth grade students "teamed" with two teachers (Language Arts/Social Studies, Math/Science)
- Challenging core classes
- Transition program for those with unique needs
- Achievement guides for all students
- Personalization for students through Cougar Time & Peer Mentors

Kirkland Middle School

430 18th Ave Kirkland, WA 98033 425-936-2420 www.lwsd.org/kims Principal: Deborah McCarson

5th Grade Parent Night: January 24, 2017

7-8 p.m., Kirkland Middle School Commons

- 580 students, grades 6-8
- Challenging academic program in all curriculum areas, including electives
- Integrated Honors option offered in English Language Arts/Social Studies block program at all grade levels. Math and science blocked in sixth grade.
- Math acceleration available in seventh grade
- Small school with strong emphasis on personalization within our Panther Pride, Peer Mentoring, and Safe School Ambassadors programs
- Electives include: World Language, Art, Pottery, Technology, Leadership, Multi-Media, Game Design, Robotics, Drama, Debate, Guitar, Band, Orchestra, Choir, Team Sports
- Transition program for those with unique needs

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Redmond Middle School

10055 166th Ave N.E. Redmond, WA 98052 425-936-2440 www.lwsd.org/rms

Principal: Kelly Clapp

5th Grade Parent Information Night: January 24, 2017

7-8 p.m., Redmond Middle School Gym

- 1,002 students, grades 6-8
- Strong, positive and diverse student culture through ASB, athletics, music clubs, English Language Learner (ELL) and special education programs
- Student leadership and input is valued and promoted
- · AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Program for seventh and eighth graders
- Diverse academic offerings with a wide array of student academic support services
- Personalization for all students through our PACE (homeroom period), as well as a variety of clubs, sports and other activities..

Rose Hill Middle School

13505 N.E. 75th St. Redmond, WA 98052 425-936-2460 www.lwsd.org/rhms

Principal: Erin Bowser

5th Grade Parent Night: February 7, 2017 6:30-8:30 p.m., Rose Hill Middle School Gym

- 860 students, grades 6-8
- Rigorous academic curriculum offered at all grade levels.
- Highly personalized environment for all students, including a grade-level team approach to help students needing additional strategies to meet their academic and social goals.
- Integrated curriculum taught via blocked core classes.
- Technology-rich curriculum both in core and elective offerings (including specialized courses such as Digital Media and Gateway to Technology).
- We offer a balance of fine arts programming in both performing and visual arts that nurtures and challenges artistic growth of our students.

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