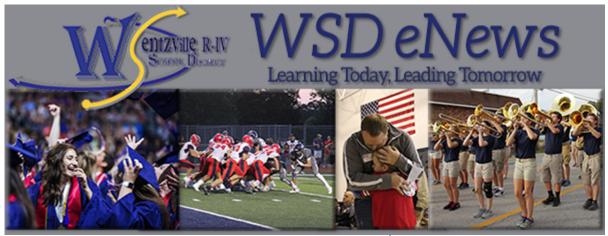
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Parent Survey Link - Tell Us What You Think!



It is the vision of the Wentzville School District to be a model of excellence that sets the standard and maximizes the potential of every student. In order to continuously improve on our commitment to provide a quality educational experience for your child or children, we ask that you take the time to complete this short survey.

Refinance Saves WSD \$700K



The WSD Board of Education unanimously approved the sale of approximately \$21.7 million of the District's outstanding Series 2012 Lease Participation Certificates through Clayton

Holdings, LLC at a fixed rate of 2.71%. The interest savings to the District will be \$716,000 on a cash flow basis, or approximately \$60,000 each year through April 1, 2031.

April 19, 2019

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For more information about Central Methodist University, click their logo above. Their sponsorship helps support WSD activities.

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According to Stifel, the District's financial advisor, the District has completed 11 refinancing transactions since 2009, securing cash flow savings in excess of \$31.6 million.



WSD 2019 Support Staff Employees of the Year



The Wentzville School District is proud to recognize all of the hard working support staff employees who go above and beyond for WSD students and the District. "It is the support staff employees who drive our buses, prepare our meals, clean our schools, and do scores of other jobs that help support the educational efforts of the District," said Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Jennifer Hecktor. "Our support staff employees often labor behind the scenes, but their dedication and hard work do not go unnoticed. We appreciate all they do to support students and staff and their contributions every day are part of what makes the WSD special." Every year, each building in the District selects their own "Support Staff Employee of the Year," and the building winners are eligible for the District Support Staff Employee of the Year Award, announced during the annual District Awards Banquet in May.

Visit the WSD Website for <u>a full list</u> of the Support Staff Employees of the Year. And <u>watch the slideshow</u> on WSD YouTube.

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Students Host 3rd Annual WSD Film Festival



Upcoming Dates

April 22
Late Start Day

May 6
Late Start Day

May 8, 6 p.m.District Awards Banquet
Timberland High School

May 16, 7 p.m.Board of Education Meeting
Administrative Center

May 20 Last Day for Seniors

May 27
No Classes - Memorial Day

May 31
Last Day of School Early Release

Graduation
Holt - 10 a.m.
Liberty - 2 p.m.
Timberland - 6 p.m.

June 2

Helpful Parent Links







The WSD held its 3rd Annual Film Festival on April 2 at Holt High School. The Festival, sponsored this year by Central Methodist University and supported by grants from the Wentzville School District Foundation, highlights films written and produced by students in grades K-12. Winners were chosen in eight categories from over 180 submissions. "The WSD Film Festival is an amazing, student-led event that showcases the creativity of our students at all grade levels, from the designing of the logo and marketing materials to the films that are submitted," said WSD Film Festival Committee Chair and South Middle School ELA Teacher Kim Adkins. "Each year, we see more and more students participating in this showcase event that is produced, directed and hosted by WSD students." To see a full list of winners, visit the WSD website.

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Newly-Elected Board Members Sworn In



The newly-elected Board of Education members were sworn in on Tuesday, April 16 in a special Board meeting. Dale Schaper and Sandy Garber took their oath and each will serve a three year term. Mr. Schaper (incumbent) has served since 2007, and Ms. Garber is returning to the Board (she served previously from 2012-2015). The Board also elected officers at the meeting. Natalie DeWeese was (re) elected President, Betsy Bates was elected Vice President and Brad





Stay Tuned to WSD



WSD is showcasing the outstanding stories happening across the District on its very own YouTube Channel!
Subscribe today to not miss out!

Recent Videos from the WSD:

Discovery Awaits Discovery Ridge STEAM Day



Soul Food Night at Holt



Inaugural District Amazing
Shake Competition



Faces of the WSD - Kaci Lueking of Wabash

Buchanan was elected Secretary. The WSD would like to express our gratitude to our outgoing Board member, Jennifer Simpson for her service to the District and our students.

WSD HOSA Students Advance to International Competition



Students in the Holt, Liberty and Timberland high school HOSA (Future Healthcare Professionals) chapters competed in the Missouri HOSA State Leadership Conference at the Missouri University of Science and Technology in Rolla, Missouri on March 25-26. Nineteen students brought home an award and qualified to move on to the HOSA 42nd Annual International Leadership

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Conference (ILC), which will be held in Orlando, FL on June 19-22.

Liberty junior Cassidy Widlowski received the gold level of the Barbara James Service Award for completing over 250 hours of community service and Timberland senior Lexi Hohenshell received the bronze level of the Barbara James Service Award for completing 100 hours of community service, which qualifies both Widlowski and Hohenshell to compete at the ILC. Timberland HOSA also received the HOSA Service Project Recognition Award for raising \$150 for the HOSA national service project, the National Pediatric Cancer Foundation (NPCF). For the full article and a list of winners, visit the WSD Website.

Four WSD Students Make St. Charles Community College Dean's List

Elementary



Pearce Hall Buddy Program



Chromebook Repair Class Video



Watch more WSD Videos on WSD YouTube

Join the WSD Finance Committee



Would you like to learn more about District finances? For instance, where does District revenue come from? How is the tax rate calculated? What is the largest District expenditure?

These are just a few of the items the Finance Committee will analyze. The committee will also work to answer any questions you may have about school finance. There will be two or three meetings throughout the school year.



Congratulations to Reece Hager, Skyler Hebold, and Alexander Meyer from Holt, as well as Olivia Guffey from Liberty, for being named to the St. Charles Community College Fall 2018 Dean's List. The students are enrolled in the District's new Early College Program, which gives our juniors and seniors the opportunity to work toward, or fully complete, an Associate's Degree through St. Charles Community College while still in high school. The program had 14 students enrolled to start this year and there are 50 students signed up for next year. Through the Early College Program, which is hosted at Holt High School and taught by WSD teachers, a high school junior could potentially earn both their high school diploma and an Associate's Degree at the same time if they take advantage of the program for two years and take summer classes at SCC.

St. Charles Countywide STEM Olympics



Three teams of students from the Wentzville School District took top honors at the second annual St. Charles County STEM Olympics held at Fort Zumwalt Middle School on April 3. The event featured top district STEM winners from the WSD, Fort Zumwalt, Francis Howell, Orchard Farm and the City of St. Charles. The WSD teams that won Gold were: the

If you are interested in being involved, please email **Pat Jolley** in the WSD Finance Department.

MAP Testing Reminders



It's that time of year: Grade Level Assessment as part of the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) for WSD students is underway! Parents should check with their child's school for specific dates when their child is testing.

Attendance is crucial on testing dates. Have your child well rested. Feed your child a healthy breakfast; their brains need plenty of fuel! Encourage your child to relax when taking the test. If your child is anxious, please encourage them to see their counselor or a teacher to ask any questions.

Work for the WSD!

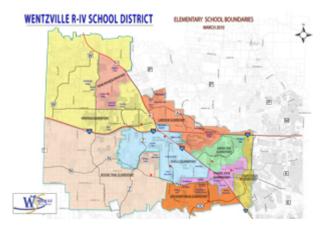


It is the goal of the Human Resources department to attract, hire, and retain the best trained, most highly qualified, and effective staff to ensure fourth grade team of Garrett Lant and Derrick Morgart (Discovery Ridge Elementary), the sixth grade team of David Keith "Trey" Nalley and Carson Ramos (Wabash Elementary), and the seventh grade team of Ryann Bunner, Christian Mattern, and Adrian Rodriguez (Wentzville Middle).

The STEM Olympics began in the WSD five years ago with elementary and middle school students competing in small group design challenges at the building level that culminated in a districtwide event. Last year, the WSD invited their neighboring districts to participate in similar preliminary rounds at their schools and districts in preparation for the first-ever countywide STEM Olympics. In their respective competitions, students who won at their building level were asked to engineer a product with specific materials in a limited amount of time at the district level and qualified for the countywide event.

For <u>a complete list of winners</u> in the St. Charles County STEM Olympics, visit the WSD website.

2019 Boundary Committee Selected



The 2019 Boundary Committee has been selected and includes parents, community members, staff representation and a member of the Board of Education. Eighty two stakeholders applied to be on the committee, which will begin meeting in May to create new attendance areas for District schools. The District has hired MGT Consulting Group to conduct a new demographic study and facilitate the redistricting process.

WSD voters approved Proposition E last year, a \$125 million bond issue that did not result in a tax increase, which included building a new high school and a new elementary school. The Boundary Committee will be charged with examining the new demographic study and enrollment data, MGT's capacity and utilization analysis, as well as the WSD's redistricting criteria, to help develop those new attendance areas, which will include elementary, middle and high school boundaries.

high levels of achievement by all our students.

We are a service-oriented organization that strives to treat everyone with respect, honesty, and professional integrity and dedicate ourselves to the highest levels of service and support to all employees, administration, and the Board of Education.

If you are seeking employment with the District, click on the picture above for a list of current opportunities and application processes.

We are in particular need of substitute teachers and the rate of pay was just increased to \$100/day for regular subs and \$110/day for long-term subs. Visit the WSD website for more information.

Questions may be directed to https://doi.org/numanresources@wsdr4.org



Have You Downloaded the WSD App?

The Boundary Committee will have its first meeting on Thursday, May 2, at Timberland High School in the library beginning at 4pm. The Boundary Committee meetings will be open to the public to observe the process and all stakeholders are welcome to attend. However, there will not be an opportunity for public comment at those work sessions. Parents, staff, students and community members will have an opportunity to make comments, ask questions and make suggestions to the committee on draft scenarios during three scheduled Community Forums in September, and there will be online opportunities to weigh in before the boundaries are finalized as well. The tentative Boundary Timeline has a new boundary recommendation going before the Board of Education at the December 19, 2019 meeting. #WSDgrows

Mentors 4 College



Mentors 4 College is sponsoring two free seminars on April 30 focused on Competitive College Applications. Admissions officers from four highly competitive universities will be discussing how to prepare for, apply to and pay for college. The schools participating include Case Western Reserve, Colgate, University of Miami and the US Naval Academy.

There is no cost for this seminar. Date, time, location and other details are contained on this flyer.



Are you new to the WSD? Be sure to download the app to have important information right at your fingertips. The app is available for both android devices and iPhones.





Board Meeting Report



The Board of Education meeting on April 18 featured the recognition of Liberty High School senior Michael Coyle, and Timberland High School seniors Sofia Angel and Nate Beattie for having been selected to Missouri Scholars 100, a statewide program that honors 100 of Missouri's top academic students in the graduating class of 2019; Timberland senior Diana

Mentors 4 College is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides free, one-to-one mentoring to help high school students find and attain their ideal post-high school educational path. M4C is currently partnered with 8 high schools and their counselors in the St Louis area (growing to 11 in Fall 2019). To find out more about Mentors 4 College, please go to Mentors4College.org.

WSD High School Students' Artwork Displayed at Foundry Art Centre



Holt, Liberty, and Timberland high school artists had their work on display at the Foundry Art Centre on Main Street in historic downtown St. Charles. The "Emerging Artists: St. Charles County High School Art Show" features the work of artists from six area high schools. WSD students had 104 works of art on display at the exhibit, which ran through April 14. The WSD artists work under the instruction of Holt's Fine Arts Department Chair Sarah Catalano, Liberty's Fine Arts Department Chair John Tiemann, and Timberland's Fine Arts Department Chair Crystal Wing.

Wentzville Middle Loud and Proud Choir

Janikow was recognized for receiving a Gold Key award and an American Vision nomination for her painting called "Heritage Lost" in the 2019 Scholastic Art Competition; the Timberland High School Student Council (STUCO) was recognized for having been elected President of the Missouri Association of Student Councils for the 2019-2020 school year; and fifth graders Alisyn Maupin and Kyla Humphrey from Stone Creek and sixth graders Bonnie Faye Cella and Catherine Hunn from Peine Ridge were all recognized for participating in the Amazing Shake™ National Competition held at the Ron Clark Academy in Atlanta.

For more information, as well as Superintendent Reports and other matters discussed, click the Board Meeting Report thumbnail above. Board Meeting Reports can also be found on the WSD website under About our District/Board of Education.

2018-19 Late Start Supervision



The next Late Start is scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2019. The supervision for students in grades K-6 is \$10 per child for each late start day. This service is separate from Chautauqua and only for students NOT already enrolled in the Chautauqua Before School Program.

Late starts provide valuable collaboration time for our



The Wentzville Middle School 7th grade Loud and Proud Choir traveled to Union, Missouri on March 4th to compete in the 2019 Union Middle School Music Festival. This is the 10th consecutive year for the WMS Choir to receive Superior I ratings - the highest you can receive - from all the judges. Congratulations to all our talented vocalists!

Students from WSD Run in GO! St. Louis Races

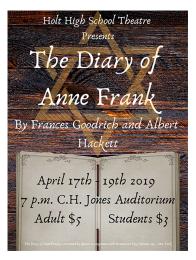


Almost 100 elementary students from Crossroads, Discovery Ridge, and Wabash elementary schools ran in the GO! St. Louis 1.2 mile and 2 mile student runs on April 6th in Forest Park! By completing the run, most of those students also completed their Read, Right and Run pledge to read 26 books, perform 26 acts of kindness, and run 26.2 miles. Students ranging in grades from kindergarten through 6th grade have been hard at work on their pledge since the fall, meeting in after school clubs designed to promote fitness and healthy choices. In addition, several WSD staff members and Timberland students ran in the GO! St. Louis half marathon the next day in downtown St. Louis. Way to stay healthy staff and students!

Holt Winter Guard Success

teachers across the District and yet we understand these days can be a challenge for working parents especially. The supervision option was established to assist those parents who need it. Additional information about late start supervision for students in grades K-6, as well as the link to pay via PayPal can be found on the District website.

Holt Theatre Spring Play





The Holt Student Council (STUCO) is holding their 19th Annual Senior Citizens Prom on Friday, May 3, from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at the Holt High School cafeteria. This year's theme is "1950s Diner" and attendees



The Holt Winter Guard unit competed at the Winter Guard International (WGI) National Championships in Dayton, Ohio earlier this month, earning a score of 80.89 the preliminaries, and also earned a Division I (outstanding) rating from the judges. Winter Guard International allows the Holt guard to compete at the national level alongside the finest high school color guard units from around the country. The Holt guard competes in the Scholastic A Division. Holt's color guard competes at the state level through the Mid-Continent Color Guard Association (MCCGA).

Holt's 2019 program is entitled "Ghost Town" and is performed to "God's Gonna Cut You Down" by Johnny Cash and "Run On" by LP. There are 14 performing members and they have competed with MCCGA and WGI for 12 seasons. Their unit director is Christopher Grissom with additional assistance from LeaAnne Arata, and their guard sponsor is Becky Ginger.

Boone Trail Second Grader Appears on KPLR as Weather Kid of the Week



Austin Coleman, a secondgrade student at Boone Trail Elementary, was selected to appear with John Fuller on KPLR 11 just before spring break as a "Weather Kid of the Week." Austin's mom, Heather, said she heard about the contest through her son's teacher, Ms. Simon, and knew she had to enter him for a chance to talk weather on TV. Heather says her son loves to

follow the weather and try to predict the patterns of storms. "He checks the weather several times a day, either by asking Alexa or using the weather app," she said. "He is very interested in tsunamis and tornados and he is concerned when it floods for the safety of those it could affect." Heather

can have their picture taken as a souvenir to take home. This free event will feature great music, lively dancing, and a delicious dinner and dessert. Formal dress is encouraged but not required. Come dance the night away! Call 636-327-3876 ext. 26297 or email Erin Chase by April 26 to reserve your place.

City of Wentzville Trash Can Artwork Contest



Team up with the City of Wentzville in the effort to raise public awareness about preventing litter in our local parks and community. There is no cost to enter; however, participants must register to enter the contest. To register, please visit bit.ly/trashcanartworkcontest. Questions? Please call (636) 332-9236.

On a 24 inch-high x 36 inchwide poster board, participants will create a landscape layout design to wrap around a trash can. Winners of the contests will have their artwork displayed in one of the City of Wentzville parks and win a \$25 shares that Austin has a big heart and often looks at the pictures of the aftermath of storms and talks about how maybe he could've helped. You can <u>view Austin's television</u> <u>debut</u> on KPLR's website.

Forty WSD Students Selected for SLSMEA Honor Choir



Congratulations to the 40 WSD students who were selected for the St. Louis Suburban Music Educators Association (SLSMEA) 5th-6th Grade Elementary Honor Choir. Choir directors from Crossroads, Discovery Ridge, Duello, Peine Ridge, and Stone Creek elementary schools held auditions early this spring, and each school took eight students to the All-Suburban Elementary Honor Choir Festival at Discovery Elementary School in Orchard Farm on April 6. The Honor Choir, comprised of students from the St. Louis and St. Charles area, rehearsed all day and performed a concert later that afternoon.

WSD students chosen for the Honor Choir were: (Crossroads) Lilly Brown, Holly Altheimer, Lyndsey Weishaar, Kayla Milton, Victoria Grana, Marissa Varga, Chloe Bostic, and Ryleigh McKinney; (Discovery Ridge) Makaela Barnes, Alexa Kiepe, Rathi Thiagarajan, Allena Mitchell, Lannah Montgomery, Kaitryn Roberson, Raksha Thiagarajan, and Jocelyn Cabrera; (Duello) Macy Stevenson, Isabella Geller, Ella Zust, Brenna Holz, Jillian Fisher, Lauren Foust, Audrey Perkins and Meghan Lynch; (Peine Ridge) Eryn Chamberlain, Shayne Smith, Madison Wilmes, Gabe McAffie, Desira Montgomery, Savannah Schaaf, Emily Sanabria and Pamela Halley; (Stone Creek) Kaitlyn Springmeier, Emma Kleffner, Kyndall Skroblus, Aiden Harr, Grant Beattie, Caya Spencer, Shyanne Miller, and Madison Anderson.

WSD Students Attend SCC Signing Day

prize. The contest is now open and all entries are due by April 12. Contest winner(s) in each age group will be announced by April 29, and will be invited to an awards ceremony at City Hall this spring. Supplies and contest rules are available at Progress Park, while supplies last. Age-group breakdown: Kindergarten - second grade; third and fourth grades; fifth and sixth grades; seventh and eighth grades; and ninth through 12th grades.

Wentzville/Lake STL Optimist Club & Holt Track Spring Race



The Wentzville/Lake St. Louis **Optimist Club and Holt Track** team are sponsoring a Spring Race this year. The event is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8, at Soby Field on the campus of Holt High School. Kids in Grades 4 through 8, and any adult who wants to join them (no medals for adults) are invited to fill out this form, located on the WSD Website. Funds raised will go to Optimist Club scholarship fund, the Holt Track team, and other club expenses. Deadline to register is April 29.

CAPS Student Project -Workplace Wellness Summit



St. Charles Community College (SCC) hosted special signing day events this month for 113 Holt, Liberty, and Timberland high school seniors who pledged their commitment to start at the college in fall 2019. Similar to signing events for high school student athletes, the WSD high school seniors who participated in the Be Ready Program were recognized as they pledged to pursue an education at SCC.

"These students have the opportunity to visit campus and learn about all the valuable resources that SCC has to offer, prior to them starting classes in the fall," said Tammie De Los Santos, associate dean of workforce and educational partnerships. "Partnering with high schools and working with students throughout their senior year by helping them navigate the admissions, financial aid, and registration process is the mission of the Be Ready Program. SCC is proud to offer this type of support and guidance to future students." Holt, Liberty, and Timberland high schools are among 17 high schools that are part of Be Ready Program.

Youth Art Month



On Wednesday, April 10, one student from each of our school buildings was recognized for his or her artistic skill and talent at the inaugural Youth Art Month reception.
Students were presented with a certificate for their achievement and were then free to view their own work of art, as well as the artwork of their

peers, that will hang on the walls of Berrey-Place Center for the next year.

Youth Art Month occurs each March to emphasize the value of art and art education for all children and to encourage support for quality school art programs. In recognition of



Students involved in the St. Charles County Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) program have a yearend project that you can help with. The students partnered with Community Strong and will hold a Workplace Wellness Summit to help the people of St. Charles County become healthier and happier in their workplace.

View the flyer to see what it's all about, the students would appreciate the support.

CAPS Student Project Kids Kruse Cycling Event



A St. Charles County CAPS student has created a cycling event, the Kids Kruze Cycling Event, scheduled for May 18, 2019, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The proceeds from the event will go toward the purchase of new bicycles for donation to children who cannot afford a bike. **View the flyer** to see what it's all about and how you

Youth Art Month, the Wentzville School District displays one piece of artwork from one student from each of our school buildings in Berrey-Place Center for an entire year. We encourage you to stop by Berrey-Place Center to see these wonderful works of art and to celebrate the creativity displayed by these students:

- Jack Martin, 4th grade, Boone Trail Elementary
- Amira Konuk, 5th grade, Crossroads Elementary
- · Kaiya Nickols, 2nd grade, Discovery Ridge Elementary
- Cy Smith, 3rd grade, Duello Elementary
- Bridget Leonard, 5th grade, Green Tree Elementary
- Evan Lynch, 4th grade, Heritage Intermediate
- · Aubrey Wikoff, 1st grade, Heritage Primary
- · Hailey Craven, 3rd grade, Lakeview Elementary
- · Clara Albers, 3rd grade, Peine Ridge Elementary
- Makenzie Phillips, Kindergarten, Prairie View Elementary
- Hayley Tillman, 5th grade, Stone Creek Elementary
- · Raegan Herin, 5th grade, Wabash Elementary
- Madelyn Pope, 8th grade, South Middle School
- Halle Broeckelmann, 8th grade, Wentzville Middle School
- Alyssa Lingle, 10th grade, Holt High School
- Sunitha Brown, 10th grade, Holt High School
- Taylor Carroll, 10th grade, Liberty High School
- Diana Janikow, 12th grade, Timberland High School

WSD Middle School Students Receive High Ratings at SLSMEA Festival





WSD middle school students from South and Wentzville middle schools traveled to the SLSMEA Middle School Solo

can help. The students would appreciate the support.

Young Americans Workshop



The Young Americans will once again bring their educational performing arts workshop to Timberland High School this summer, with the goal of developing the skills of energy, teamwork, and confidence, using music as the teaching tool. Even better is that is doubles as a fundraiser for WSD Fine Arts programs. Click here to view the flyer.

Specially-trained, college-aged teachers and performers will work with students of all grade levels from across the District, and only from the WSD, providing fun yet valuable lessons in everything from vocal and dance to full stage performance, the climax of which will be an exciting Saturday night show held at Timberland. The Young Americans outreach program visits 200 communities on an annual basis to inspire youth, empower teachers, and strengthen education systems across the globe. Over 260 WSD students participated in the workshop and Saturday's performance, and a video recap can be seen on the WSD YouTube page.

Heritage Propane School Days Program

and Ensemble Festival at Holman Middle School on Saturday, April 13. Congratulations to the 17 WSD students who received the highest rating (Honor I) and three students who received the second highest rating (Honor II).

To see the full article with all the ratings, visit the WSD Website.



WSD High School Students Attend Washington University German Day



Nearly 60 students from Holt, Liberty and Timberland were at Washington University on April 4 for the 43rd annual German Day event. Over 750 students from across Missouri and Illinois came together to compete in

German-based contests and experience that country's unique culture. Some of the contests included an advanced spelling bee, poetry declamation, a poster contest, scavenger hunt and team trivia.

Holt's Megan Wood and Sarah Sargent earned 2nd place in the Children's Book Contest (7-10 pages) and Holt's Jillian Dalman and MacKenzie Schutter earned 2nd place in Children's Book Contest (4-6 pages). Liberty's Madelyn Birkhead earned 2nd place in the poster competition, and Dessa Outman and Madelyn Sanderson received 3rd place in poetry declamation. Glückwünsche!

WSD/Lou Fusz Student-Athlete of the Month





Through the School Days Program, Heritage Propane will give the WSD up to \$2,000 per year to purchase items for any school-related need with funds earned from the School Days Program. Any WSD parent can send their Heritage Propane receipts to school with their child. Community members can drop off or mail their receipts to the WSD Administrative Center. We will submit the receipts and Heritage Propane will total the gallons on the deposited receipts and pay \$0.02 per gallon, up to a maximum of \$2,000 per year.

WSD NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

View the policy on the WSD Website.



The WSD/Lou Fusz Student-Athlete of the Month aims to recognize varsity student-athletes for their achievements in the classroom, commitment, sportsmanship, and teamwork. These student-athletes were honored for their performances during March 2019. For the full write-ups on these students, visit the WSD Marketing Webpage.

Arts and Education Council St. Louis Arts Awards Nomination Link



Each year, the Arts and Education Council presents the St. Louis Arts Awards to celebrate the artists, educators, philanthropists, corporate citizens and organizations that make our region so vibrant. Nominations for the St. Louis Arts Awards come from the public. Since 1992, you have helped us celebrate 182 incredible people and organizations. This week, nominations have been opened for the 2020 St. Louis Arts Awards, so please take a moment and submit a nomination. Categories include:

- · Lifetime Achievement in the Arts
- Excellence in Philanthropy
- · Corporate Support of the Arts
- Excellence in the Arts
- Art Educator of the Year
- Arts Innovator
- Arts Collaboration
- Champion for the Arts

- Emerging Artist of the Year
- · Arts Startup of the Year
- · Student Artist of the Year
- · National Artist of the Year

Or, you can <u>submit a nomination</u> in a category you define. You are encouraged to nominate someone that you know, particularly for Art Educator of the Year. **Nominations are open now through April 30** on the Arts and Education website. So, <u>submit your nominations</u> and spread the word among your networks.

Questions? Contact Emily Hellmuth, director of marketing and communications <u>via email</u>, or 314.289.4010.