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LION'S ROAR

News from Logan Elementary School

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Principal's Corner

Greetings family and community partners,

February being identified as Black History Month strikes me as interesting, for black history IS American History and deserves so much more than just a month. It is important to bring attention and voice to this unique history, both for the celebration of the contributions of African-Americans and for drawing attention to the heartbreak of much of that history (i.e. the legacy of slavery, Jim Crow and systemic racism). My hope is that as a school, and as a country, we can partner to bring voices that have long been silenced to the forefront year-round.

Logan's efforts in this area continue to evolve. An equity goal has been part of Logan's School Improvement Plan since the 2017-2018 school year, when we began working with consultant Sandy Williams, editor of the local Black Lens newspaper. We focused on implicit bias and working to better connect with Logan's Black, Indigenous and People Of Color (BIPOC) community. We learned about the school-to-prison pipeline and disproportionate discipline rates of BIPOC students in American schools.

Our efforts in this area have been a start, but we need to do so much more. I recognize that as a largely white staff, teaching a beautifully diverse student body, we will always need to continue our journey to celebrate who we are as a learning community and lift all voices at the table.

I invite each of you to reach out to us if you have ideas about how we can better serve the scholars we share, for this work is as important for our white staff and white families as it is for BIPOC families and staff.

If you would like to check out Logan's goal in this area, the School Improvement Plan can be found on our website in the resources section of the "Our School" page (spokaneschools.org/Page/1354).

In partnership,

Principal, brentp@spokaneschools.org

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February Edition of
Kids: For Moms and
Dads Now Available!



Families are invited to review the newest edition of Kids magazine at <https://bit.ly/3tx7DRq>

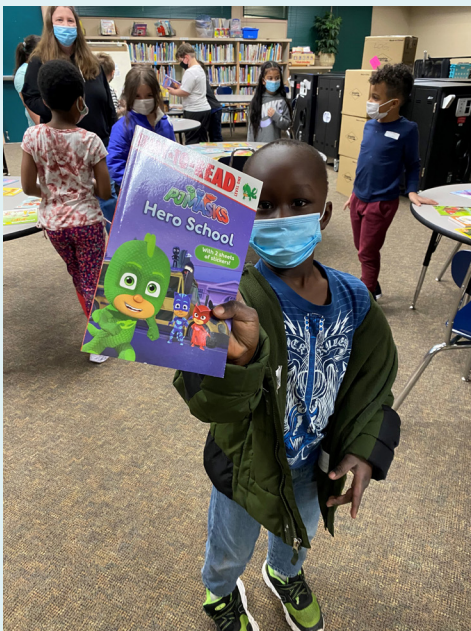
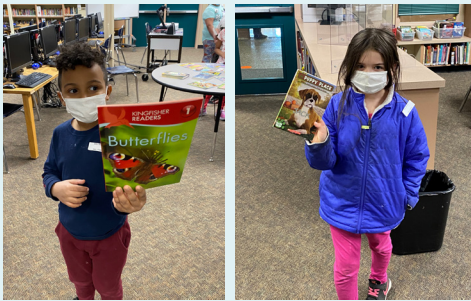


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- Addy De'Rousseau
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Community Health Partnership



Logan Elementary has a Community Health Worker who is available to meet with you to provide resources and support in a variety of areas including:

- Connection to community and housing resources
- Rental Assistance
- Healthcare/Health Insurance
- Transportation Assistance
- Job search assistance
- Life Skills Courses
- Landlord/tenant mediation

If you are interested in connecting with this program and attend Logan Elementary School, please contact:

Ikani Fakasiieiki, CHW
(509) 842-0452



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A quick and easy way to so submit your student's daily health check.

Daily Health Checks Required

All students attending school in person must have a daily health check completed each morning. Parents are encouraged to complete the health check before the child leaves home. This helps create a routine, and also gives time for the health check to be registered in the SPS reporting system.

The easiest way to complete the health check is through the Spokane Public Schools app, which is available on Google Play and the Apple App Store.



eTips Continue from The Parent Institute

By popular demand, Logan will continue providing eTip parenting support through its automated communication system. Families will receive text messages from Logan with links for tips on raising a happy and healthy family. Logan staff are parents too, and receive the eTips each week as well. They realize how hard parenting can be and that kids do not come with instructional manuals!

September 9, 2019



Nurture Your Child's Interest in Reading

By the ages of seven and eight, children are learning to read on their own. Many are starting to read longer chapter books.

For some children, however, this is a time when they lose interest in reading. Here are some ways to maintain your child's enthusiasm:

- **Follow his interests.** If your child likes soccer, get books on soccer. If he has a pet hamster, check out books about hamsters.
- **Share books you loved as a child.** Read them together. Your love for the book may inspire your child's interest.
- **Look for fairy tales.** Children love magical stories.
- **Get a craft or how-to book.** Make a project together.
- **Find an interactive book** that lets the reader direct the story. Try it two ways: First, your child chooses, then you choose which way to follow the story.
- **Encourage him to read to someone younger.** There's no easier way for a child to practice reading than by sharing with someone else. It also raises your child's confidence in his reading ability.
- **Find books that answer his questions.** "What's that flower?" he asks as you're walking. If you don't know, help him find a book from the library that will tell him.
- **Check out riddle and joke books.** Silly jokes are the height of seven-year-old humor. You can't stop the "knock-knock" jokes, but you can make sure your child has some new material.

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