

LION'S ROAR

News from Logan Elementary School

Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are on the unceded lands of the Spokane Tribe. The Spokane people shared this place with other tribes through their relations, resources, history, trade, and ceremony. We thank the caretakers of this land, who lived, and continue to live here Since Time Immemorial. This land holds the knowledge, culture, and spirit of "The People of the River."





Principal's Corner

Greetings Logan Community,

Growing up in the Spokane area, I never had a true sense of the history of this place we call home. I learned a little about Native American tribes in school but mostly as background characters in the story of white explorers and settlers who came to lands that were yet "unexplored and unclaimed." Never mind that indigenous people had lived on the land for thousands of years.

The forced removal of the area's original inhabitants is frankly a stain on the history of Spokane and the entirety of the United States. For the notion of Manifest Destiny, a cultural belief that American settlers were destined to expand across the entire continent, was what the history books taught us. But that is only one version of history, a version written by those who took power.

Here at Logan, we are striving to tell the history of the area and our nation from all perspectives. Not just from the perspective of those who were in power and remain so, but of those who faced subjugation and removal in the name of "destiny." Some may say we are engaging in "cancel culture" by doing so. My response to that claim is that we have the moral obligation to tell all histories.

In our effort to recognize the first inhabitants of the Spokane area, we share a Land Acknowledgment daily as part of our learning community's morning welcome. The acknowledgment is shown above in the newsletter's header and will be included there in all issues of The Lion's Roar going forward.

What is a land acknowledgment you ask and why are so many businesses, government entities and educational institutions beginning to use them? Land acknowledgements are historically accurate statements that are honest and honoring of indigenous First Nations of North America. They commemorate their historical and ongoing connection to a place.

Wishing you happiness and health,

Brent A. Perdue

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Calendar

May 11 Logan Family Meal, 5-5:30pm

> May 17 Toothsavers

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May 21 Individual Picture Retakes

May 25 2nd Harvest Mobile Market, 3:00-4:00pm Logan Family Meal, 5-5:30pm

May 31 No School, Memorial Day



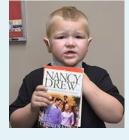
and Dairy Queen

donated lots of books for kids!

ROAR Drawing Winners

Alana Bannister
Rory Fairbanks
Ezra Resseman
Kaeyden Jackson
Joziah Edgerton
Justin Holtman
Ebraheem Darya
Harrison Preston
Jamason Erickson
Ariannah Bannister















Reducing Use of Disposable Masks

Scholars, families and visitors are encouraged to bring their own cloth face coverings when coming to Logan. The school has disposable masks for the scholar or visitor who occasionally forgets but providing a disposable mask each day is costly and a challenge for our efforts to protect the environment.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year is Open!

Please stop by the office and pick up a registration packet. Birth certificate, proof of address and immunization records are required at the time of registration. We are excited to meet our new Logan Lions!



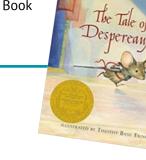
Better Late Than Never, School Portraits Return

Individual portraits typically are taken in the fall each school year. But the pandemic has changed a lot about this year.

Last week, portraits were taken with students able to remove their masks for a quick smile while photographers took pictures from a safe distance.

Please Return The Mouse!

If your family has yet to return the copy of The Tale of Despereaux from last month's One School, One Book event, please send it in tomorrow. Thank you!





Attendance Hotline: 354-3496

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