



W.F. West High School NEWSLETTER

February 2024

Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2 Last Day for Sem 2 Schedule Changes
- Feb. 2 Clubs (CCR)
- Feb. 6 Spring Sports Meetings (CCR)
- Feb. 8 Job Corp Info Session - (CCR)
- Feb. 9 Honor Student Recognition Assembly
- Feb. 12 MLK Assembly (rescheduled)
- Feb. 14-16 2024-25 Registration
Info Session
- Feb. 16 WSU Senior Presentation (CCR)
- Feb. 16 FIT Day (CCR)
- Feb. 19 **NO SCHOOL - Presidents Day**
- Feb. 22 Apprenticeship Panel / Trades Fair
- Feb. 26 Spring Sports Begins
- Feb. 29 DECA - State Career Development
Conference

MARCH

- March 5-8 Student-Led Conferences
EARLY RELEASE - 12:10

2nd Semester has begun!

**Read on to stay up to date on what's
happening at WFW! In this issue...**

Bearcat Pride!

Bearcat Athletics

College & Career Readiness

Student-Led Conferences

2024-25 Registration

Scholarships

...and more!

Bob Walters, Principal
 Christine Voelker, Assistant Principal
 Mark Westley, Assistant Principal
 Tommy Elder, Asst. Principal/Athletic Director



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Bearcat Pride!

Early Childhood Education SkillsUSA winners!



1st- KD Obtinario
2nd- Allie Anderson
3rd- Vivy Witchey



At the University of Puget Sound Speech tournament, **Atlas Dunn** placed 7th in Dramatic Interpretation and **Ali Stenerson** placed 1st in Programmed Oral Interpretation. This was one of the largest tournaments that W. F. West attends. Congratulations to both Forensics team members!



YOU CAN HELP A SENIOR THIS YEAR!

Every year when we approach graduation orders, we have a number of students who cannot afford the cost of a cap and gown, which is required for them to participate in the graduation ceremony. Some sets are generously donated each year by Jostens. For the rest, we are appealing to our generous Chehalis community for help. The school does not have cap/gown sets to loan since we do not sell them.

The cost for cap, gown, tassel and stole for a graduate is approximately \$75 and we regularly have about 15 students in need per year. We screen the students who need help, but do not ask too many personal questions. We are trying to help but not embarrass them. Only the students we work with and Jostens know they have received help.

If you can help, please send a check made out to W.F. West (on the memo line write **Grad Donation**), and address it to:

W.F. West
Attn: Kirstin Toynbee
342 SW 16th St.
Chehalis, WA 98532

ANY AMOUNT HELPS!

If we receive more than we need for this year, we will leave the money in the fund for next year. Thank you for your consideration of this request.





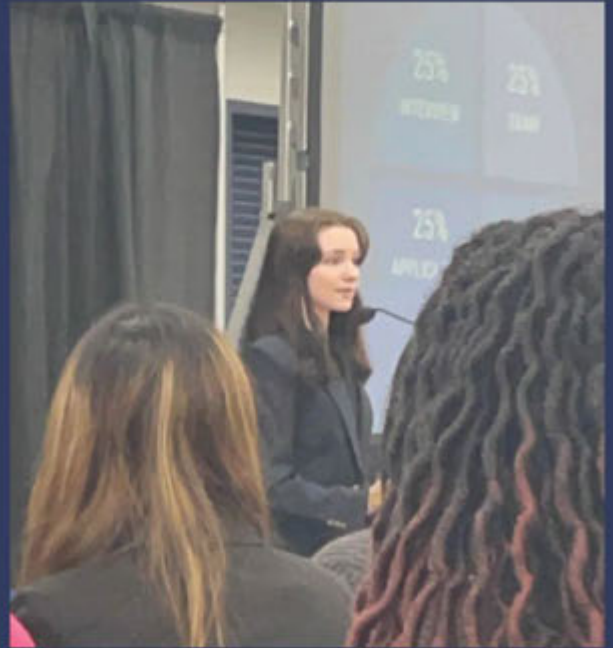
W.F. WEST HIGH SCHOOL

DECA

CONGRATS!

W.F. West DECA Members that qualified for state competition:

- **Jackson Amos** - 1st Place in Professional Selling
- **Isabella House** - 2nd Place in Financial Consulting Professional Selling
- **Berkeley Varick** - 2nd Place in Restaurant & Food Service Management
- **Ruby Stanton** - 3rd Place in Hotel & Lodging Management
- **Katie Mieltz** - 4th Place in Hospitality & Tourism Professional Selling



VP of Marketing, Hailey Sturdevant giving her campaign speech.



JOIN DECA NEXT YEAR TO
EXPERIENCE THE DIFFERENCE



Get informed.
Be prepared.
Take action.

TRUE NORTH
AT CAPITAL REGION ESD 113

talk | **10th ANNIVERSARY**
they hear you® | A Decade of Youth Substance Use Prevention

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

*Learn tips to talk confidently to
your kids about drugs and alcohol.*

**13
DEC**

6:30 pm | Zoom
REGISTER:
bit.ly/3sPfvSM

**11
MAR**

12 pm | Zoom
REGISTER:
bit.ly/3QHpy4c

**18
JAN**

12 pm | Zoom
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**15
FEB**

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**13
MAY**

12 pm | Zoom
REGISTER:
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Bearcat Athletics

February Sports Schedule

*HOME GAMES IN BOLD AND ALL CAPS

GIRLS BASKETBALL

JV - 5:30 / Varsity - 7:00

2/2 @ Aberdeen



BOYS BASKETBALL

JV & C-team - 5:30 / Varsity - 7:00

2/1 **ABERDEEN**

2/5 @ Shelton

Boys & Girls Basketball Post-Season

Districts: Begins Feb. 9 (Girls) and Feb. 10 (Boys)

District Finals: Feb. 16

Regionals: Begins Feb. 20

State: Feb 28 - March 2 (Yakima Sundome)



CHEER

State Competition @ Battle Ground HS
February 2nd & 3rd

*Cheerleading Try-Outs begin on
March 6th! More information
will be available in the school
office beginning Feb. 14th.*

Spring Sports Practices Begin Feb. 26th

Baseball

Fastpitch

Track

Girls Tennis

Boys Soccer

Girls Golf

GIRLS BOWLING



**DISTRICT
CHAMPS!**

**State Tournament:
Jan. 31 - Feb. 1
Tukwila**

Boys & Girls Wrestling Post-Season

2A Sub-Regionals: Feb. 3

Boys (HOME) Girls (Hoquiam)

Regionals: Feb. 10

Boys (Washougal) Girls (Centralia)

State: Feb. 16 & 17 @ Tacoma Dome



ATTENTION SPORTS

PARTICIPANTS!

All athletes need to register online at www.rankonesport.com. Click on "Fill Out Electronic Forms" and select "WA State". Click on "W.F. West HS", then "Electronic Participation Forms". The only form that still needs to be physically turned in to the Athletic Office is the Physical Examination Form.

GO BEARCATS!



Upcoming Events . . .

[Job Corp Information Session - 2/6](#)

Job Corp Information Session on Feb. 6th during CCR Block. Students who are interested in learning more about this career training program are welcome to join us in the Library.

[FAFSA Workshop - 2/7](#)

This workshop is being offered on Feb. 7th from 3-6 at Centralia College, Washington Hall Room 207. They will have Financial Aid Professionals available to help students and families complete this form. Please know that this is open to all students, regardless of what college you plan to attend next year. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Chaput.

[WSU Next Step Presentation - 2/16](#)

WSU Next Step presentation is Feb 16th. All seniors who are considering WSU for next year are highly encouraged to attend this event. We will have a WSU Admissions Counselor here to talk with students about their next steps including; dorms, food, clubs, roommates, and the advising/registration process. Everything students need to know for the next steps to becoming a Cougar! This will be held on Friday, February 16th during CCR and will be in the Library.

[Apprenticeship Panel / Trades Fair - 2/22](#)

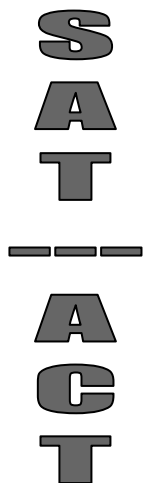
We will be hosting our annual Apprenticeship Panel event followed by a Trades Fair on Feb. 22nd. We have representatives from a number of different unions and trades/vocations coming. Students will be able to learn more about the variety of opportunities available to them. All students are welcome and can sign up with Mrs. Chaput.

[College Planning Day for Juniors - 3/14](#)

College Planning Day for Juniors will be March 14th. This is a statewide event where current Juniors can learn more in depth information from college admissions officers from around the state. This will be hosted by WSU-Vancouver and students can sign up with Mrs. Chaput.

[Financial Aid Money!](#)

Seniors - now is the time! If you haven't already, please complete your FAFSA or WASFA as soon as possible. It is an online application at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. This year, with the changes in the eligibility calculation, more families can now get assistance for post-secondary education. However, you must complete the FAFSA/WASFA.



Upcoming SAT Test Dates

Test Date	Registration Deadline
March 9, 2024**	Feb. 23, 2024
May 4, 2024**	Apr. 19 2024
June 1, 2024**	May 16, 2024

**Digital Test

Website

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/dates-deadlines>

Upcoming ACT Test Dates

Test date	Registration deadline
Apr. 13, 2024	Mar. 8, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024

Website

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html>



Counseling Center

Student Led Conferences

Conferences will be during the week of March 5th - March 8th. Times to be determined. Please watch for an email with instructions on how to sign up for a time slot for your child's Student Led Conference.

2nd Semester began January 29th!

The last day a schedule change can be requested is one week into second semester (Friday, February 2nd). After that, classes may only be changed with teacher and administrator approval.

If you have questions about why your student's schedule changed, please contact their counselor:

A-G / AVID - Libby Rakevich, lrakevich@chehalisschools.org

H-N / Running Start - Shawna Goble, sgoble@chehalisschools.org

O-Z / Exchange Students / NCAA - Jessica Boeck, jboeck@chehalisschools.org

Additional Contact Information:

Freshmen Support Counselor - Adrian Jimenez, ajimenez@chehalisschools.org

College & Career Readiness Advisor - Kerri Chaput, kchaput@chehalisschools.org

District Mental Health Specialist - Brian Adams, badams@chehalisschools.org

Assigned Assistant Principals:

9th & 11th Grade - Mark Westley

10th & 12th Grade - Christine Voelker

2024-25 Registration

Counselors will be meeting with freshmen, sophomores, and juniors in the WFW Theater during English classes on February 14 - 16 to share registration information for the 2024-25 school year. We encourage parents/guardians to look over your student's class selection; information on class options is located in the curriculum guide on the WF West High School Counseling website and will be viewable for parents on February 13th.



Scholarships

Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation - Numerous scholarships awarded in a variety of categories, search those offered to Washington state students (you don't need to attend a college in WA however). Apply early and include all documents. There is a small fee for each scholarship you apply for. For further information, visit

<https://epsilonsigmaalpha.org/scholarships-and-grants/> Once there, click on the scholarship link and choose Washington State. This will open up all of the scholarships available. Read requirements for each to see if you qualify. **Deadline is February 1st!**

Eastern WA University Scholarship - Application online at <https://www.ewu.edu/apply/tuition/scholarships/> **Deadline is February 1st.**

Elks National Foundation - Legacy Awards Scholarship - Seniors who are children or grandchildren of Elks member. Apply online at www.elks.org/enf/scholars. **Deadline for submission is February 5th.**

Washington State Employees Credit Union – Open to any WSECU member in good standing. Applications online at <https://wsecu.org/scholarships>. **Deadline February 12th.**

HACER Scholarship (Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources) - Seniors planning to continue their education, at least a 2.8 GPA and at least one parent must be of Hispanic/Latino heritage. Must also complete your FAFSA. Apply at: <https://www.mcdonalds.com/us/en-us/community/hacer.html> **deadline is February 13th.**

Oregon State Univ. Scholar Dollars: Must be accepted to OSU prior to applying. **Deadline is February 15th.** <https://scholarships.oregonstate.edu/scholdollars>

Hispanic Scholarship Fund - Seniors of Hispanic heritage, with U.S. citizenship, permanent legal resident or DACA status, minimum 3.0 GPA and plans to enroll in a 4-year university. Apply online: <https://www.hsf.net/scholarship> **Deadline is February 15th.**

Women Supporting Women Scholarship: (through LCAAUW) - Female, high school seniors or female college students planning to attend approved college, university, technical or trade school. Application in counseling center. Your paper copy must be emailed or mailed to address on application by the **deadline of February 15th.**

Association of Computer Professionals in Education (ACPE) - Seniors in WA & OR who have been actively involved in the use of technology and are planning to pursue studies in a technology field. Online application at: www.acpenw.org/scholarships **Deadline to submit is February 16th at 5:00 p.m.**

Title I Notification

Parents can request the following information regarding instructional staff who work with their children:

- Whether or not the child's teacher has met state certification for the grades and subjects she/he is teaching.
- Whether or not the teacher is working with an emergency or conditional certificate where state certification criteria has been waived.
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held, including field of discipline of the certificate or degree.
- If the child receives instructional services from a paraeducator, the paraeducator's qualifications.

Chehalis School District Annual School's Report

Chehalis School District and the State of Washington believe that important information about local public schools should be provided to educators, parents, community members and the general public. The combined support of these various stakeholders ensures the success of all students. Information regarding current and past test scores, demographics, teacher qualifications, graduation and dropout rates for secondary students, and the status of school improvement can be obtained from the following website:

<http://reportcards.ospi.k12.wa.us/>

Search for Chehalis School District and click on the school of choice.

Printed copies of the annual school's report or newsletter may be obtained from the Chehalis School District Office at 310 SW 16th Street, Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 807-7200. You may also log on to the district website at <http://www.chehalisschools.org> and click on the appropriate link to view each document.



Scholarships

Gordon A. Rich Memorial Scholarship- Seniors with demonstrated financial need whose parents/guardians have or had a career in the financial services industry. Must have a GPA or at least 3.5. Online application at: <http://www.gordonrich.org/html/index.html> with **deadline of February 20th.**

Robert Morris Masonic Lodge #97 Outstanding Student - For seniors planning to enroll in a post high school educational program. Award based on scholastic achievement, community service, citizenship, and financial need. Application in counseling center and must be mailed to address on application by **deadline of February 28th.**

Washington State Nursery & Landscape Association (WSNLA) - For seniors planning on attending a Northwest Accredited institution and pursuing a major in the Horticultural Industry. Apply online at www.wsnla.org/charitablefund **Deadline is February 28th.**

****College Board Opportunity Scholarships** - Create an account on College Board or link a current account. Complete tasks and be entered into a scholarship pool online at www.cb.org/opportunity. **Deadline is February 28th.**

The W.F. and Blanch West Educational Fund & The John Freeman Coffman Scholarship - Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher. One application for both scholarships must be filled out online, completed and submitted by **3:00 p.m. on February 28th.**

Follow this Path: Chehalisschools.org/wfw

Academics

Counseling Services

WFW School Counseling

West/Coffman Scholarship info links

[W.F. West/Coffman Scholarship NEW Application Form](#)

1. You only need to fill out one application for both scholarships.
2. Once you begin, if you are not able to complete the entire application, you must still “submit” what you have completed in order to have it saved. You will then receive an email to the address you’ve provided. The email will contain a link for you to use to edit your application. You can make changes to your application at any time prior to **3:00 p.m. on February 28th.** Once you certify that your application is complete by clicking yes, and hit the submit button one last time, you will no longer be able to make changes.
3. Your application is NOT complete until you also provide a copy of your resume - we will provide a transcript.
4. Scholarship applications must be completed online by **3:00 p.m. on February 28th.**

**** NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ****

Washington State Opportunities Scholarship – For students entering college in a STEM (science, technology, engineering, math), health care or teaching field.. Must have at least a 2.75 GPA. Helps low - middle income WA residents attending school in state. Check online for a list of approved major, income guidelines, and included colleges. Application online at <https://waopportunitiescholarship.org/applicants/baccalaureate/> Application opens January 10th with a **deadline on February 29th.**



Scholarships

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation - Two scholarships for children of Marines and Navy Corpsmen pursuing post secondary education or training.

Undergraduate/Associate Scholarship - apply at <https://www.mcsf.org/scholarship/> **Deadline is March 1st.**

Career & Technical Education Scholarship - apply online at <https://www.mcsf.org/cte/>. This application is open all year long and completed **applications are processed monthly.**

Central WA University Scholarship - Application online at <https://www.cwu.edu/scholarships/scholarship-central> **deadline is March 1st.**

American Indian Endowed Scholarships - Have close social and cultural ties to an American Indian tribe in Washington, intend to use your education to benefit their community and have demonstrated financial need. Apply online at <https://wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship>. Opens in December with a deadline of **March 1st.**

WA State School Retirees' Assoc. - Seniors with at least a 3.0 GPA who plan to have a career in the "field of education". Areas of study can be teacher, counselor, speech therapist, occupational therapist or psychologist. Apply online at: <https://wssra.org/index.php/foundation/scholarships> Must be completed online, printed and **postmarked by March 1st.**

WA State School Retirees' Assoc.- Gene Forrester - Seniors who plan to major in AG Education at WSU apply online at <https://wssra.org/index.php/foundation/scholarships> Must be completed online, printed and **postmarked by March 1st.**

Cancer Unwrapped - High School Writing Contest and Scholarship. Open to students in grades 9-12 in WA State. Essay about experience with cancer and how it has affected your life. Application at: <https://cancerpathways.org/programs/cancer-unwrapped/> and **deadline is March 1st.**

****Washington State Society of American Foresters** - For seniors continuing their education in Forestry at one of several WA schools. available online or in counseling center. **Must be received by (not postmarked) March 1st.** Application available online at: <https://forestry.org/wssaf-foundation-scholarship/>

Ewing C. Kelly Scholarship - Seniors planning to attend 2/4 year institution or vocational training. Some additional requirements depending on the college path being pursued. Based on academic merit, extracurricular activities and financial need. Applicants will be judged on their academic merit, extracurricular achievements--both scholastically and in their community--and financial need. Two ways to apply: **Deadline is March 8th.** See below for two options to complete the application, **but both must be mailed.**

Link to the 2023 Manual Form (to print, then handwrite answers, and mail-in):

<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2023.pdf>

Link to the 2023 Fillable Form (can type directly in the document, then print, and mail-in):

<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2023-form.pdf>

****Women's Western Golf Foundation** - For female students involved in golf. Students must demonstrate academic excellence, good character & financial need. Apply online at: <https://www.wwga.org/scholarships> **Deadline is March 8th.**



Scholarships

****Chehalis Foundation Scholarships** - For students pursuing post-secondary education, including technical training. **This single application is used for consideration of multiple scholarships with varying criteria.** Information sheet is available in the counseling center and application is online at <https://bit.ly/ChehalisFoundationScholarships> **Deadline for submission is 11:00 p.m. on March 10th.**

****America's 911 Foundation** - For children of first responders. **Deadline is March 10th.** Apply online at: https://www.americas911foundation.org/scholarship/scholarship_main.php

****Pacific Northwest Association for College Admission Counseling** - Seniors and/or community college students who plan on attending 4-yr institution in fall, 3.0 GPA or higher. **Must submit a video essay application by March 15th.** Details online at: <https://www.pnacac.org/student-scholarships>

Smart Choices Scholarship - Seniors from WIAA member high schools for excellence in athletics/activities, academics, leadership and community service. Apply online at www.wiaa.com/smartchoices **Deadline is March 15th.**

American Legion Legacy Scholarship - For children of deceased or disabled veterans with financial need. Additional requirements can be found on website: <https://www.legion.org/scholarships/legacy> **Deadline is March 27th.**

Hearthstone Housing Foundation - Students from low-income families with 3.0 GPA planning on continuing the education or training. Apply online at www.hearthstonehousing.org/scholarship. **Deadline is March 31st.**

Twin Star Community Foundation - Seniors who are members in good standing with TwinStar Credit Union and planning on continuing their education. **Deadline is March 31st.** Applications available to download online at: <https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/twinstarhighereducation2024>

Masonic Legacy and Masonic Youth Order - For seniors pursuing higher education who have family connection to WA Masonic Lodge . Other requirements can be found with application at: <https://www.wa-masoniccharities.org/on-the-level-student-success/scholarships/> **Deadline is March 31st.**

****Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship** - Students majoring in STEM at 4 yr. Institution. Specific majors are: engineering, math, physics, information systems or information assurance. **Deadline is April 1st, by 1:00 pm our time.** Apply online at: <https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/who-we-are/communities/stem-education/lm-scholarship-program.html>

****Lockheed Martin Vocational Scholarship** - Students pursuing a voc/tech degree. For study in one of the following areas/ related fields: computer/info science; support services; engineering tech; mechanic/repair tech; precision production; transportation/materials moving or security/protective services. **Deadline is April 1st, by 1:00 pm our time.** Apply at: <https://www.lockheedmartin.com/en-us/who-we-are/communities/stem-education/lockheed-martin-vocational-scholarship.html>

Scholarship America - Listings for **many** scholarships administered by Scholarship America. Various requirements and deadlines. <https://scholarshipamerica.org/students/browse-scholarship/>

StudentScholarships.org - **This website posts many scholarships with a variety of options for students.** Check out their website at: <https://studentscholarships.org/>



Scholarships

Incredible Health Nursing Scholarships and Grants resource guide - This link contains numerous links to scholarships and nursing career resources. <https://www.incrediblehealth.com/blog/nursing-scholarships-and-grants/>

Scholarship Junkies.org - This website posts many scholarships with a variety of option and deadlines: <https://www.scholarshipjunkies.org/scholarship-search>

****Lewis County Republicans Scholarship** - Seniors planning to pursue continuing education or career training. Applications available in the counseling center and must be mailed to the address on the application by **April 1st**.

****Mike Oechsner Memorial Scholarship** - Female athletes who have earned at least two letters in a varsity sport. Open to those planning to attend college or vocational training. Application available online at <http://leadable.info/XScholarship> **Deadline is April 1st**.

****THE NEXT 5 APPLICATIONS ARE TO BE TURNED INTO THE COUNSELING CENTER. SINCE THEIR DEADLINES OCCUR DURING SPRING BREAK 3/31 and 4/1), WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT THEM UNTIL 2:30 ON APRIL 8TH ****

****Ric Snelson Memorial Scholarship** - Students enrolling full-time in college or university next fall planning to pursue a degree in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Math) field. Application available in counseling center and **must be returned to the counseling center by March 31st**.

****Fred and Virginia Haunreiter Memorial Nursing** - Students planning on pursuing a degree in nursing with a GPA of at least 2.5. Applications in counseling center and must be returned **no later than April 1st**.

****Rod Rinta Memorial Scholarship** - For seniors who have earned a letter in a varsity sport and have a 2.5 GPA or higher. Applications in counseling center and must be returned **no later than April 1st**.

****Connie Small Community Service Scholarship** - For WF West seniors planning to attend a 2/4 year college or university. Based on scholastic achievement, community service, leadership and volunteer experiences. Applications in counseling center and must be returned **no later than April 1st**.

****Chehalis Activators Scholarship** - Must have at least a 2.5 GPA and participation in extracurricular activities. Application in the Counseling Center. **Deadline April 1st**.

****Olympia Master Builders Scholarship** - For Seniors intending to pursue studies leading to a career in the building industry such as: engineering, architecture, drafting, industrial design, carpentry, construction management. Application online at: <https://omb.org/education/scholarships/> **Deadline to be mailed and postmarked by April 12th**.

****Chehalis Education Association Scholarship** - Seniors desiring to pursue a degree in education. First priority will be given to the children, stepchildren and grandchildren of CEA members followed by W.F. West graduates. Paper applications are available in the counseling center and Ms. Chaput's office. **Application must be received (not postmarked) by the deadline of April 14th**.

****Chehalis JR CATS Scholarship** - Seniors with minimum 2.75 GPA who are planning to further their education or training. Must have participated for at least 2 yrs. in Jr. Cats football/cheer or have accumulated a minimum of 20 volunteer hours helping with these programs. Must also have participated in at least 1 school sponsored sport or program for each year of high school. **Application in counseling center and mailed by April 15th**.



Scholarships

****Lewis County Farm Bureau** - Any Lewis County, WA high school senior, extra consideration will be given to students of Farm Bureau families and/or those who have been actively involved in agricultural activities. A career in agriculture is not required. Students must be planning to pursue post-secondary training/education, at a college, trade school or vocational program. No minimum GPA requirement but students must be interested in giving back to their community. Application information is available in counseling center and online at <https://lewiscountyfb.com/scholarship> and must be mailed to the address listed by **April 15th**.

****The BHW Group scholars** - For women who plan to pursue a undergraduate or masters degree in a STEM field. Application will open in January and deadline is around April 15th. Apply online: www.thebhwwgroup.com/scholarship

****WWIN Scholarship** - For students who identify as a woman, must have filled out your FAFSA, plan to continue education, minimum GPA of 2.0 and have unmet financial need. **Deadline is April 18th**. Apply online : <https://wwin.org/star-scholars/>

**** Indicates scholarship is new this month**

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE ADDED AS WE RECEIVE THEM. PLEASE CONTINUE TO CHECK ONLINE AND IN THE COUNSELING CENTER FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES THAT MAY BE POSTED THROUGHOUT THE MONTH.



Tour Costa Rica!

There are still a few spots left to join the group trip to Costa Rica in the Summer of 2025!

Sign up at eftours.com/2724965DJ for your chance at adventure!!

See Mrs. Poole for more information!

Want to receive the latest "Friday Connect" emails and other School District News? Join our email group!
Sign up by emailing:
communications@chehalisschools.org

Chehalis School District Community Newsletter

"The Learning Network," can be accessed online through the district's website at <http://www.chehalisschools.org>



Student Health & Safety



Sick Policy Reminders for Students and Families

Please keep your child home from school if he/she has:

- A temperature above 100.4 F during previous 24 hours (should be fever free without use of medication for 24 hours before returning to school)
- Vomiting or diarrhea during the prior 24 hours
- Yellow or green nasal drainage associated with sore throat, nausea or fatigue
- A persistent cough which has kept your child up at night
- Signs or symptoms of Influenza, such as body aches, chills, headache, fatigue

Please notify the school nurse if your child has an illness that is contagious, such as testing positive for Covid-19 or Influenza. This will help us detect illnesses in others sooner.



After-School Supervision

As a reminder, we value your student's safety while on our campus.

The school day ends at 2:10 pm and students who are not involved

in organized, extra-curricular activities, which provide supervision,

must leave campus. Please ensure your student has clear plans

for after school to help us avoid having unsupervised students

on campus. Thank you!



REMEMBER TO REFILL YOUR STUDENTS' LUNCH ACCOUNTS

Please remember to check your students' Food Service Account in Skyward and make a payment if necessary.

Student lunch at W.F. West is \$3.30
Student breakfast is \$1.90

Meals are free at Lintott, Orin Smith and CMS, but high school students must pay for breakfast and lunch.

Free/Reduced lunch forms can be found at:
chehalisschools.org/food-servicesmenus/



Bearcat Free Store

We regularly see a lot of student requests for food from our Bearcat Free Store. We want to make sure students and parents know that:

- ★ This food is donated by community members and intended for students who do not have adequate access to food outside of school
- ★ Forms to apply for Free/Reduced Lunches are available in the main office
- ★ W.F. West's food service will never deny food to a student. If a student does not qualify for Free/Reduced Lunches and does not have money on their food service account, they can still get a meal and its cost will just be added to the student's balance.

If any families would like to donate single serving sized non perishable food items for the Bearcat Food Pantry, donations can be dropped off at the W.F. West Counseling Center.

Notes & Reminders

WINTER WEATHER

Snow or other severe weather conditions can affect school hours. Announcements on school closures will be made starting no later than 6:00 am on the following radio and TV stations:

KELA - 1470 AM
KITI - 1420 AM
KMNT - 104.3 FM
LIVE 95 - 95.1 FM
KXXO - 96.1 FM
KOMO-TV
KING-TV
KIRO-TV

You can also go to www.chehalisschools.org and use the [Weather Alerts](#) link for school closure information.

Use the [Bus Routes](#) link for information on bus snow routes.

If we start 2 hours late, classes will begin at 9:40 am.

W.F. West High School
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Chehalis, WA 98532



Habla español? El distrito escolar de Chehalis ofrece servicios de traducción al español a nuestros padres y familias. Por favor comuníquese con Emma Reynolds al 360-807-7225, o al correo electrónico a ereynolds@chehalisschools.org

Non-Discrimination/Equal Opportunity Statement

Chehalis School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Chehalis School District offers classes in many career and technical education (CTE) program areas, including Agriculture, Business and Marketing, Family and Consumer Sciences, Skilled and Technical Sciences, Health Sciences and STEM. Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs.

The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

El Distrito Escolar de Chehalis no discrimina en ningún programa o actividad por sexo, raza, credo, religión, color, origen nacional, edad, estado veterano o militar, orientación sexual, expresión o identidad de género, discapacidad o el uso de un Guía de perros entrenados o un animal de servicio y proporciona igual acceso a los Boy Scouts y otros grupos juveniles designados.

El Distrito Escolar de Chehalis ofrece clases en varias áreas con programas de educación vocacional y técnica (CTE), incluyendo Agricultura, Negocios y Mercadotecnia, Ciencias de la Familia y del Consumidor, Ciencias Técnicas y Calificadas, Ciencias de la Salud y STEM. La falta de dominio del idioma inglés no será una barrera para la admisión y participación en programas de educación profesional y técnica.

Los siguientes empleados han sido designados para manejar las preguntas y quejas de supuestas discriminaciones:

Title IX Coordinator

Athletic Director, Tommy Elder, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7235 telder@chehalisschools.org

Section 504/ADA Coordinator

Director of Special Education, Katie Howell, 2025 SW Salsbury Ave Chehalis, WA 98532 (360) 807-7245 option 3 (360) 748-8767 Fax khowell@chehalisschools.org

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator

Debby Gregory, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7200 dgregory@chehalisschools.org

Career and Technical Education Coordinator

Mark Westley, 310 SW 16th Street Chehalis, WA 98532 360-807-7235 mwestley@chehalisschools.org