Better Together

Annual Report to the Community
2021-22 School Year
Lifelong Learning and Leadership

In this edition of Inside Schools we feature a report to our community with highlights of the 2021-22 school year. After a multi-year disruption in our traditional learning model caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, Clover Park School District relaunched full-time, in-person learning in our schools during the fall while following required safety measures.

CPSD is deeply committed to creating solutions that meet the diverse needs of each student. Staff worked diligently to support students as they transitioned to daily in-person learning in the classroom environment. This required focused attention not only on academics, but also on supporting students’ social, emotional and mental health. Partnering with community organizations, CPSD invested in additional mental health services districtwide and implemented curriculum to support their social emotional learning.

The district has remained focused on achieving progress towards the board’s strategic goals of student achievement, supportive learning environments for students, parent and community engagement, effective communication, responsible fiscal stewardship, and hiring and retaining quality staff.

I personally invite you to read more about our school district and join us in celebrating the many accolades our students, staff and district have earned this past school year. Reach out if you have questions or would like to learn more about how you can partner with us to support the growth and achievement of our community’s students.

We are Better Together.

VISION in our district…
• All children are performing at or above grade level.
• Everyone is committed to creating unique solutions for student achievement.
• A spirit of collaboration and accountability thrives.
• A culture of districtwide pride exists.

BOARD GOALS
• Student Growth/Achievement
• Parent and Community Engagement
• Communication with Stakeholders
• Supportive Learning Environment for Students
• Recruitment, Staff Retention and Professional Development
• Fiscal Responsibilities

BOARD VALUES
• Reputation
• Integrity
• Trust
• Shared Vision
• Love
• Respect
• Courage
• Empowerment

We are impressed by the ability of our students and staff to adapt to, learn from and overcome challenges. Their persistence shows character, strength and dedication.

District Accolades

Harrison Preparatory School and Lakes High School ranked among the region’s best schools according to U.S. News and World Report.

CPSD’s Open Doors Program earned accreditation from Cognia, a non-profit organization that provides quality assurance for schools, school districts and education service providers.

Three CPSD elementary schools ranked in the Puget Sound Business Journal’s Top 100 Elementary Schools in the Puget Sound Region:
Rainier Elementary, 31st
Beachwood Elementary, 74th
Dower Elementary, 75th
Snapshot of our District

Demographics

- African American 12.5%
- Asian American 4%
- Hispanic 35.3%
- Multiple Ethnicities 13.7%
- Native American 0.7%
- Pacific Islander 5.7%
- White 28.2%

Languages Spoken

15

Students

12,736

14.5%
Multilingual Learners

16.6%
Special Education Services

66.9%
Free and Reduced Price Meals

2.1%
Students Experiencing Homeless

33.2%
Military Connected Students

Four Pillars of Student Success

LIFELONG LEARNER
Students are motivated to gain new knowledge even outside of the classroom and after graduation.

COLLABORATION
Students work together toward a common goal, such as completing a group project or making a difference in their community.

CHARACTER
Students choose to do the right thing when no one is watching and are dedicated to overcoming difficult challenges.

LEADERSHIP
Students encourage themselves and others to do the right thing and lead by example.
Highly Qualified Staff

FIVE CPSD EDUCATORS EARNED NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION

Diane Abadilla, Thomas Middle School
Susan Kasun, Custer Elementary School
Christina Morey, Lake Louise Elementary School
Haley Taylor, Harrison Preparatory School
Michael Wells, Beachwood Elementary School

CPSD’s National Board Certified Teacher Network was recognized as one of 21 National Board Networks nationwide for outstanding achievement in candidate support.

775 Classroom Teachers
11.9 Average Years Teaching
16.4:1 Student-to-Teacher Ratio
71% Teachers with Advanced Degrees
132 Total National Board Certified Teachers

Cutting-Edge Curriculum

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING
Part of helping students thrive in the classroom requires ensuring they have the skills to develop a healthy mindset and effectively cope with everyday challenges. CPSD makes social emotional learning (SEL) an instrumental part of every school day.

CPSD elementary schools implemented the Second Step SEL curriculum which includes interactive lessons and discussions that help students explore SEL topics such as empathy, problem solving, bullying prevention and emotion management.

Middle and high school students participated in lessons during their advisory classes. These lessons focused on topics relevant to students at these ages and stages of development. Across lessons, the goal is to create opportunities for connection, discussion and support in areas students can relate to.

WORLD LANGUAGE GRANT
CPSD was awarded a $3 million grant from the Department of Defense Education Activity to improve and expand world language programs at nine military-connected schools.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE
CPSD implemented new middle school science curriculum, OpenSciEd, that focuses on inquiry-based, hands-on learning to make science more engaging. The curriculum aligns with Next Generation Science Standards and is one example of how the district approaches engaging scientific exploration at all grade levels.
# Career and College Readiness

Clover Park School District offers a variety of rigorous academic and Career and Technical Education courses to prepare students for career, college, and life. Student participation is trending forward to pre-pandemic participation numbers.

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<td>Students Enrolled in Advanced Placement Courses</td>
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<td>CTE Dual Credit Course Participation</td>
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<td>Career Pathways - Industry Credential Certificates Earned</td>
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<td>Advanced Placement Exams Earning College Credit</td>
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<td>High School Dual Credit Course Completion</td>
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<td>Appointments to Military Academies Since 1985</td>
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<td>Dual Credits Earned</td>
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# Graduation Rates

Clover Park School District’s four-year graduation rate increased from 79.2% in 2019 to 88% in 2021.

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Assessment

Smarter Balanced summative assessments determine a student's progress toward college and career readiness in English language arts/literacy and math. Smarter Balanced assessments are given to students in grades 3-8 and 10 across the state.

CPSE’s spring 2022 Smarter Balanced assessment scores decreased, along with many comparable school districts, compared to pre-pandemic results. The multi-year disruption in learning models, along with a reduction in participation rates reduced overall test results. Individual schools have evaluated assessment data to determine interventions and supports for student growth.

OSPI Report card is available online at http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us or by contacting Community Relations at (253) 583-5040.

Staff

2022 Employees of the Year
• Certificated: Dennis Selberg, Oakbrook Elementary
• Classified: Jody Coppedge-Pope, Rainier Elementary
• Administrator: Marianne Rupprecht, Carter Lake Elementary

Washington Association of School Administrators Student Leadership Award: John Simpson (Harrison Preparatory)

Elizabeth Wesley Youth Merit Incentive Award recipients: Ernest Belezzi (Clover Park HS) and Jacqueline Tapp (Lakes HS)

Act Six Scholarship recipients (full-tuition, full-need): Fernando Lopez-Mata, Jessicah Ndungu, Celine Paez and David Ssali (Clover Park HS); Stella Schena-Gordon and Lereena Kerley (Harrison Preparatory)

National #USvsHate Winter 2021 Art Contest winner: Ivonne Berrios-Rodriguez (Thomas MS)

The Boeing Company Core Plus Aerospace Internship Program: Kidd Anderson, Lesieliamelouinga Clayton, James Gus, Mathew Jordan, Micah Kim, Terrell Smith II, Paul Tii, Jorge Vargas and James Zacher (Lakes HS)

Math, Engineering and Science Achievement (MESA) Day award recipients: Juan Vega and Brandon Ceron (Clover Park HS), first place in glider competition; Jennifer Amado and Jaylen Gist-King (Lakes HS), first place, craft stick bridge competition

Washington State SkillsUSA Leadership Conference: Nicholai Collymore (Clover Park HS), bronze medal in Power Equipment Technology contest

Students

CPSD uses levy funds to support the fine arts K-12 with teachers, instruments and musical pieces. Elementary students are exposed to art, drama and/or music. Middle school students can participate in band, jazz band, orchestra, drama and/or choir. High school students can continue with symphonic band, wind ensemble, orchestra, choir, drama, stagecraft, drumline, steel drums, and a variety of visual arts from photography to ceramics.

FINE ARTS
Financial Information

CLEAN AUDIT
CPSD received a clean audit, with no findings, from state auditors. The results of the audit showed that the district accurately presents its financial position to the public and has put strong controls in place to ensure we are safeguarding public resources.

BOND REFINANCE
CPSD refinanced a 2010 bond that will save district taxpayers $5,963,099 million over the next 10 years. Taxpayers will see the savings reflected by lower property taxes.

AA3 BOND RATING
CPSD was assigned an Aa3 underlying rating by Moody’s Investors Service. The Aa3 issuer rating reflects a solid local economy that benefits from the presence of Joint Base Lewis McChord, a military installation, and participation in the Puget Sound economy.

Budget Information

Total Expenditures $222,704,810
- Basic Education $112,456,189
- Special Education $33,671,188
- Districtwide Support $33,811,306
- Other Education Programs $20,952,311
- Transportation $6,921,634
- Food Services $7,791,223
- CTE $7,100,959

Total Revenue $227,428,478
- State $158,907,680
- Federal $45,613,158
- Local $22,041,222
- Other $866,418

Tillicum Elementary School Improvements
Opened in 1944, Tillicum Elementary School is the oldest school building in Clover Park School District. It has been the focus of renovation projects in recent years and continues to be a priority when considering small works projects in the district.

In the summer of 2021, the roofing was replaced with a new system on all buildings on and around the Tillicum campus, including the main school building, portables and the adjacent head start preschool building. Over the course of the school year, all windows were replaced to provide higher energy efficiency in the building. The exterior paint was updated to ensure consistency across the building, and new security fencing was installed to keep students and staff safe and secure during the school day.
Community

“THE WORLD LIVES IN LAKEWOOD”

CPSD unveiled a mural that was created as part of a multi-agency effort partnering with students to elevate voices and showcase collaboration throughout the Lakewood community.

The mural, titled “The World Lives in Lakewood,” celebrates the ethnic and cultural diversity that exists in the city Lakewood by representing the various peoples who call the city home. It was designed and painted by 10 Clover Park High School students, CPHS art teacher Frank Casey and local artist Perry Porter.

CPSD led the project in partnership with the city of Lakewood, Pierce College, Clover Park Technical College and The Lakewood Multicultural Coalition.

LEMONADE DAY

Partnering with the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, Idlewild Elementary fourth graders learned about all the aspects of entrepreneurship and put that knowledge to good use. Teachers customized curriculum from the national event, and students worked in teams to create their lemonade stands where they sold their wares outside local businesses on Lemonade Day in June. Custer Elementary School also participated in Lemonade Day in a school-driven event.

LEMONADE DAY

WASA COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

CPSD honored Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic Director Nichole Ayers with a Washington Association of School Administrators Community Leadership Award for her leadership in expanding mental health services and resources through Cohen Clinic Valley Cities. She was instrumental in training district counselors on telehealth practices and strengthening connections with staff and students. As a result, CPSD has been able to support students remotely in ways that work for them.

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