



# La Center High School Annual Report

2017-2018



## Mission Statement

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The mission of the La Center School District is to create a supportive environment that empowers students to reach their fullest potential. We will do this in partnership with families, the community, and employees to create lifelong learners who can adapt to a changing, more technologically advanced and diverse society.

## Our School

La Center High School is the 9-12 high school serving the students and parents of the La Center School District. The high school was originally completed in 1993. With an average enrollment of 489 during the 2017-2018 school year, La Center High School is in the “A” school classification, a member of the SWW A League and WIAA District Four.

A wide variety of curricular and extracurricular activities are available to the students of La Center High School. Included in these are Concert Band, Choral Ensemble, and Jazz Band, Science Club, FBLA, Running Start, Skills Center, Knowledge Bowl, Honor Society, an exceptional Drama and Art program, as well as a highly successful athletic program.

La Center High School provides students opportunity to use technology in a number of lab settings. Digital devices on carts are available for classroom use to support teacher curriculum. A building-wide WiFi system provides optimal support for students and staff.

## Assessment Data

Included in this data are grade point averages by class for the past few years, as well as the school’s average test results from required state testing and college entrance exams (SAT). As with any testing, the average score is affected by the number of students taking the test. The relatively small number of students involved in the tests may cause averages to fluctuate substantially from year to year.

### Average GPA by Class

	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
	<u>GPA Honor Roll</u>	<u>GPA Honor Roll</u>	<u>GPA Honor Roll</u>
9 <sup>th</sup>	2.85    24%	3.08    35%	2.57    21%
10 <sup>th</sup>	2.70    22%	2.78    28%	2.77    20%
11 <sup>th</sup>	2.79    19%	2.84    19%	2.65    19%
12 <sup>th</sup>	2.92    20%	2.84    21%	2.86    18%

**Average**

**School**

**GPA**

**2.82%**

**2.71%**

**2.70%**

**Average**

**Honor**

**Roll**

**21.3%**

**19.5%**

**30.5%**

**Honor roll minimum 3.50**

## State Assessments

### **2017-2018 Test Scores**

<b>Subject</b>	<b><u>La Center %</u></b>	<b><u>State of WA</u></b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Grade SBA Math</b>	<b>45.8%</b>	<b>40.6%</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Grade SBA ELA</b>	<b>77.7%</b>	<b>69.5%</b>
<b>11<sup>th</sup> Grade Science</b>	<b>27.1%</b>	<b>30.3%</b>

## College Assessments

### **SAT Scores**

<b><u>Avg. Reading Scores</u></b>	<b><u>2017 Spring</u></b>	<b><u>2018 Spring</u></b>
LCHS	570	552
WA State	536	N/A
United States	533	N/A

<b><u>Avg. Math Scores</u></b>	<b><u>2017 Spring</u></b>	<b><u>2018 Spring</u></b>
LCHS	561	546
WA State	531	Not available
United States	527	Not available

### **ACT Composite Scores**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
LCHS	21.1	21.8
WA State	21.9	22.2
United States	21	20.8

## Running Start

<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>College Credits</u>
Fall	2017	83	285	1162
Winter	2018	81	261	1124
Spring	2018	72	209	992
Fall	2016	68	239	915
Winter	2017	70	232	912
Spring	2017	63	211	826
Fall	2015	77	233	831
Winter	2016	75	217	840
Spring	2016	71	210	773

Running Start is a state-wide program where juniors and seniors may attend a local community college and receive high school and college credit simultaneously. Through the Running Start program, many students over the last 4 years have earned an AA degree from Clark College or Lower Columbia College while meeting the requirements for high school graduation. Other students graduated with only a few credits still to be earned toward their two-year college degree.

## Graduate Data

The chart below provides information about the graduates who leave high school bound for additional schooling, work, or the military. La Center High School generally has more than 60% of its graduates pursue some form of post high school training, including 4 year college, 2 year college, or vocational/technical school. One of the goals is to maintain a program which continues to have a relatively low dropout rate.

	<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>
Total Graduates	127	104
College Bound (4 year)	42 (31%)	31
College Bound (2 year)	61 (45%)	38
Vocational School	3	0
Military	5	3
Work	26	32
Graduating	92.7% (127/137)	92.%
Dropout	7.3% (10/137)	1.7% (2/113)

# Demographics

## **Our Students grades 9 -12 2017-2018**

American Indian	0.4%	Smallest Class	3
Black	0.5%	Largest Class	36
Asian	1.3%	Average Class	18
Hispanic	4.7%		
White	91.6%		
Multiracial	1.6%		

## Activities

Students who participate in athletics and activities at La Center High School continue to excel and bring pride to our school. Our successes come from the dedication of students, coaches and advisors. Results from participation can easily be seen across our campus and throughout the student body as well. These extracurricular activities include:

Knowledge Bowl	Football	Volleyball
Dance Team	Girls Soccer	Boys Soccer
FBLA	Cross Country	Softball
Boys Basketball	Track	Yearbook
Girls Basketball	Baseball	Science Club
Cheerleading	Boys & Girls Wrestling	Chess Team
Weight Club	Honor Society	GSA
Equestrian	Boys & Girls Golf	Girls Swim
Leo's	Pep Band	

## Activity Participation

	<u>2017 - 2018</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>
Band	18	26
Choir	16	45
Honor Society	34	24
FBLA	20	22
Drama	27	27
Knowledge Bowl	12	16
Non-participants	334	404
<b>All Activities</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>150</b>

## Sports Participation

	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
Fall	184 37.6%	176 31.7%	184 32.5%
Winter	122 29.4%	103 18.5%	95 16.8%
Spring	143 29.2%	120 21.6%	144 25.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>423</b>

## Attendance Data

The data below shows the percentage of students who have been absent nine or more days during the school year and also those who were gone five or less days. This is based on students who were gone three or more periods.

<u>Percent of Students</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
Absent 9 or more days	74%
Absent 5 or less days	28%
Average Daily attendance	92.64%

## Vocational Program

La Center High School currently provides programs in business, keyboarding and computer application, industrial arts including small engine repair, woods 1 and woods 2 and metals 1 and metals 2. ASB club activities such as FBLA support the curriculum in these vocational programs.

## Professional Qualifications

### La Center High School

Total number of certificated teachers	37
Teacher experience (avg. years.)	18.6
Teachers with at least a master's degree	75%
Teachers holding a vocational degree	1
Teachers holding a provisional or an emergency certificate	2

# Our Staff

**Certificated: 37**

**Classified: 24**

Carol Patton-	Principal	Shawn Link-	Social Studies
Kurt Gray-	Associate Principal	Valerie Luiz-	Registrar
Matt Cooke-	Athletic Director	Brenda Mangus -	Custodian
Kathy Bounds-	Social Studies	Beth Marshall-	Registrar
Sharon Bryan-	English	Kelsey McWhorter-	Paraeducator
James Cameron-	Band	Rebecca Morris -	Proj. Study/Soc. Studies
Brian Clegg-	English	Joyce Mosby-	Health
Sara Clegg-	Psychologist	Amber Namanny-	Paraeducator
Lynn Cooke-	Librarian	Jim Neiman-	Metals, Woods, Voc.
Julie Croskrey-	Math	Teri Newman-	Science
Joan Daugherty-	Athletic Secretary	Cathy Osborn-	High School Secretary
Nicole Dennis-	Special Ed.	Jodi Osborne-	Paraeducator
Tim DiStefano-	Counselor	Carol Orley-	Custodian
Denelle Eiesland-	PE	Kirby Phillips-	Food Service
Staci Firl-	Office/Aide	Supervisor-	
Karen Ford-	Paraeducator	Deena Reed-	Cashier
Mattie Garduque-	Custodian	Sara Rideout-	Drama/Art
Kristin Gawley-	Paraeducator	Rhonda Slinkard-	Choir
Becky Gore-	Paraeducator	Kate Stevens-	English/History
Karen Gozart-	English	Erik Suttan-	Paraeducator
Heather Grotte-	English/History	Andy Taylor-	Custodian
Rhea Heaton-	Spanish	Minna Thayer-	Math
Andrew Helm-	Math	Angela Thompson-	Paraeducator
Dina Hiblar-	Paraeducator	Joyce Vierck-	Science
Robert Hill-	Science	Coral Yee-	Library Media Tech
John Johnson-	Math	Denise Yurecko-	Attendance/Office Aide
Nicole Johnson-	Student Services	Brian Zylstra-	German
John Lambert-	Business		
Chris Langlitz-	Special Ed.		
Shari Latham-	Paraeducator		
Paula Leach-	Science		
Carrie Lindsey-	Special Ed.		

## 2017-2018 Accomplishments

- Voice of Democracy Winners – Cole Seaman- 1<sup>st</sup> place, Dylan Seaman – 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and Aaron Sinclair – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the county through the Veterans of Foreign Affairs essay competition.
- LCHS is a Level 6 Green School and only the 2<sup>nd</sup> school to hold this level.
- The Challenge Course Climbing Club raised \$28,808.81 towards the Climbing Tower. Swinerton Builders is donating \$80,000 and is building the tower with the help of our LCHS students. The students participated in this project from the ground up, working with designers, architects, engineers, etc. from Swinerton Builders.
- Brian Zylstra, Challenge Course Advisor and Chris Evans, Senior Project Manager for Swinerton Builders were recognized for their work with students by the business community that sponsors Land Here, Live Here, Learn Here.
- At the end of 1<sup>st</sup> semester, 98 students improved their GPA from last year to this year. To be in alignment with the other schools in Clark County, the new honor roll GPA at LCHS is a 3.5 instead of a 3.25. Our students didn't disappoint us, 140 students met the 3.5 honor roll!
- James Carmona, Olivia Jacobsen, and Dawson Geil were selected from LCHS for the North County Honor Band this year.
- LCHS Career Fair – 29 guests to present their profession to our students.
- The first district-wide student art show K-12 was held on March 23, 2018. It was a HUGE success in the community.
- Our German teacher, Mr. Brian Zylstra and six students traveled to Germany where they spent 12 days in the cities of Munich and Ulm.
- National Honor Society induction took place in the high school commons. It was great fun to see 24 new students inducted into NHS. Students in grades 10-12 who meet the requirements for membership are eligible to be invited for membership.
- 15 students graduated from National Honors Society.
- Added additional support for counselors. LCHS has two counselors, one Prevention/Intervention Counselor and one Drug/Alcohol Counselor
- The sophomore class held a fundraiser for toys and materials to be donated to the Randall Children's Hospital as a service project. It was a huge success!
- 127 Graduates – 1<sup>st</sup> time to celebrate graduation outside on the field/stadium.
- The La Center High School's Valedictorian for the Class of 2018 is Bethany Whitten. She is attending Oregon State University, to major in Oceanography.
- This year we recognized two individuals for the honor of Salutatorian: Jack Hiller and Elizabeth Horton. Jack will attend Montana Tech of the University of Montana, majoring in Mechanical Engineering. Elizabeth will attend Washington State University-Vancouver, majoring in English.
- Of our 127 graduates, 79 have been offered at least 1 scholarship or grant for a total of \$2,985,600.



## Athletics and Activities 2017-2018

**State Placings:** 3<sup>rd</sup> – Football, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Girls Cross Country, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Knowledge Bowl

**District Placings:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Football, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Volleyball, 1<sup>st</sup> – Girls Cross Country, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Boys Cross Country, 1<sup>st</sup> – Boys Basketball, 1<sup>st</sup> – Girls Boys Basketball, 1<sup>st</sup> – Equestrian, 1<sup>st</sup> – Boys Soccer, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Baseball, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Girls Golf, 1<sup>st</sup> – Knowledge Bowl

**Trico League Placings:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Football, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Volleyball, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Girls Soccer, 1<sup>st</sup> – Girls Cross Country, 1<sup>st</sup> – Boys Cross Country, 1<sup>st</sup> – Boys Basketball, 1<sup>st</sup> – Girls Basketball, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Boys Soccer, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Boys Track, 4<sup>th</sup> – Girls Track, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Softball, tied 1<sup>st</sup> – Baseball, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Girls Golf

### Individual WA State Placers

**Swim:** Hailey Grotte – 2<sup>nd</sup> in 50 yd. Free & 2<sup>nd</sup> in 100 yd. Free; Bryanna Ungs – 5<sup>th</sup> in 50 yd. Free & 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100 yd. Breast Stroke.

**Golf:** Taylor Entenman – 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Track:** Calvin DuBois – 8<sup>th</sup> in 1600m; Calvin DuBois – 8<sup>th</sup> in 3200m; Tanner Dreyer – 5<sup>th</sup> in 400m

### Individual Honors

- John Lambert was honored by the Seattle Seahawks as being named Coach of the Week on November 10, 2017.
- Natasha Lewis was named to the All-Region Team in XC by the Columbian for helping her team to a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish and finishing 11<sup>th</sup> at the state meet. The All-Region Team selects from all SW WA high schools in Vancouver and the surrounding areas.
- Laynie Erickson was named to the All-Region Team in volleyball by the Columbian and to the All-State Team for the 1A Classification.
- Wyatt Dodson was selected to the All-Region Team in football.
- Jack Hiller was selected to the All-Region Team in football.
- Hailey Grotte was selected to the All-Region Team in Swimming and named Swimmer of the Year for all of Clark County and surrounding area high schools.
- Randy Martinez was selected as the District 4, Assistant Coach of the Year for Football.
- Jake Johnson was named Middle School Wrestling Coach of the Year for our league.
- Randy Martinez was named the Washington State Coach of the Year for Softball by the WA State Coaches Association for the 2017 season. He received the honor in February of 2018.
- Taylor Mills, Bethany Whitten, Whitley Seter, and Molly Edwards were selected to play in the Roundball Shootout, which is an honor given to the best basketball players in SW Washington. Molly Edwards won the 3-point contest, and Taylor Mills was named MVP of the game.
- Saige Keep was named MVP of the SW WA All-Star Game on May 30.

## 2017-2018 Goals

### Goal #1

**SMART Goal: Identify and construct strategies to remove barriers to student learning.**

**Measurement:** 85% of freshman students will complete 6 credits at the end of the year.  
90% of sophomore students will complete 12 credits at the end of the year.  
95% of junior students will complete 18 credits at the end of the year.  
100% of the senior students will complete 24 credits at the end of the year.

### Goal #2

**SMART Goal: Identify and construct strategies to improve communication with all stakeholders to support 100% on-time graduation.**

**Measurement:** To identify strategies, we will survey LCHS staff, students and families about how to improve communications that will lead to student success and on-time graduation.

## How you can help

Parents may become involved in La Center High School and their children's education in many ways. If you wish to become more specifically involved with your children's education, you may join such groups as the Booster Club, LCEF (La Center Education Foundation), Music Association, Vocational Advisory, and Senior Parents. Parents involved in these support groups support specific activities and provide fundraising assistance. Participation of parents is vitally important to maintain a quality school. If you would like to get involved in any of these activities, please contact the High School office at 263-1700.