

the PARENT Message

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Working Together

Professional learning for teachers in WLWV is about learning to teach all students. Every time teachers gather to work together, whether it is about how to improve math instruction or increase reading engagement, general education & special education teachers learn side by side. One example: The entire WLHS staff worked together to plan specific lessons, incorporating student's IEP goals and differentiation strategies that support all learners. When teachers are learning and planning together for the success of all, including diverse learners, more kids learn more everyday.



✧ Learning Communities ✧

Every school in the WLWV school district is committed to being a positive and effective learning community for every student. This means almost every student is now staying in their neighborhood school for any individualized supports and special education they might need.

Can every student attend their neighborhood school and receive the appropriate supports as designated by their IEP team?

That is the goal we have been working towards in WLWV for the past 3 years, and we continue to make great growth in this area. Through the leadership of our outstanding principals, such as Charlotte Morris of Trillium Creek

pictured here, our teachers are leading for believing and building the capacity for this important work to be successful. For more about why



this work is so important, check out this video by Dan Habib:

<https://youtu.be/izkN5vLbnw8>

Parent Opportunities

Being part of your child's class, your child's school, and your child's IEP team are your most important ways to connect. Here are some other ways to get involved and/or learn more about special education services in West Linn-Wilsonville Schools.

District & PARENT Special Ed Collaboration Group

This leadership team provides input and becomes key communicators around our district's long range direction in special education. Meetings at the District Office:

- September 28 5:00-6:30
- January 11 5:00-6:30
- March 14 5:00-6:30

NEW SPED Parent Orientation

Learn more about the IEP process, and how to partner effectively with educators for your child's success.

Meetings at the District Office:

- October 26
- January 20 for New Kinder Parents

