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# LAKE WASHINGTON SCHOOLS FOUNDATION WELCOMES STUDENTS BACK AND LAUNCHES FALL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

## Tuesday, September 21, 2021 – Redmond, WA

Lake Washington Schools Foundation welcomes students back in person and launches Fall Campaign to address specific individual and family needs throughout the district.

In this time of community health and economic uncertainty it is imperative that we work together to support our young people and their families.

### About LWSF

The mission of Lake Washington Foundation is to **gather and deploy community resources to enhance academic access and to nurture all students' emotional well-being.** We are focused on immediate solutions while creating lasting impact.

### **LWSF Impact**

With community support, Lake Washington Schools Foundation has helped students and families stay fed, informed, connected and mentally healthy during the pandemic. Impact highlights include:

- 175 LWSD staff and teachers trained in youth mental health first aid
- 30,000+ weekend meals distributed to students battling food insecurity
- \$6,079 in lunch debt paid for students in need
- **2,356** student and parents supported through college/vocational prep
- 80+ mentors and students were able to maintain connection
- **5,547** middle school students given the opportunity to connect and achieve through the Battle of the Books district-wide competition
- **2,100+** community members empowered with mental wellness tools through Parent Chats and educational webinars

### **Campaign Details**

- Duration: Monday, September 20, 2021 Monday, October 11, 2021
- Ways to Donate:
  - 1. Mail donation to PO Box 83, Redmond, WA 98052
  - 2. Donate online: https://www.lwsf.org/all-in-for-kids/
  - 3. Email: <u>darlena@lwsf.org</u>
  - 4. Call: 206-641-4600

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