

## Enrollment down at Walla Walla High School

With the first official enrollment count of 2008-2009 due Friday, Deputy Superintendent **Dr. Bill Jordan** reported to school board members last night preliminary enrollment figures reveal “head count” numbers are down 127 students at Walla Walla High School. Elementary “head counts” are up slightly from last year and middle school figures are about the same.

As of Tuesday, “head count” numbers were 5910 compared to 5934 at this time last year. These figures do not include Alternative Education Program and Running Start student counts.

Jordan said Full-Time Equivalent figures were not available at the time of his report to the school board, but would be included in Friday’s official document to the state.

Jordan noted the district’s 2008-09 budget was based on 5700 Full-time Equivalent (FTE) students. This is the same figure used to develop the district’s 2007-08 general fund budget.

Jordan said there are still 40 Wa-Hi students who are “active” with current class schedules, but who have not shown up for any classes. Wa-Hi Counselors are calling homes to find out more about these students. Jordan said he hopes they will come to school by Friday’s count.

School	9/7/07 2007/2008 (hc)	8/27/08 2008/2009 (hc)	9/2/08 2008/2009 (hc)
Berney/Homelink	532	588	587
Blue Ridge	272	307	302
Edison	272	255	273
Green Park	457	467	458
Prospect Point	544	553	551
Sharpstein	457	477	469
Garrison	623	639	641
Pioneer/Creekside	639	628	619
WaHi	1870	1726	1743
Lincoln/Contract Based	268	239	267
AEP n/a at this time			
Running Start n/a at this time			
<b>Total</b>	<b>5934</b>	<b>5879</b>	<b>5910</b>

## Board gives ok to Lincoln health clinic

With a clear understanding Walla Walla Public Schools will not fund or manage a school-based health center at Lincoln Alternative High School, board members last night voted to approve the concept of having an outside agency provide comprehensive primary and behavioral health services for Lincoln students.

Local physician **Alison Kirby MD** brought the idea of having a privately funded health center at Lincoln to the school board last school year.

Since that visit a feasibility study was completed revealing these services are needed at Lincoln.

Walla Walla County Health Department coordinated study under the direction of **Harvey Crowder MD** and **Holly Howard**.

The advisory group working to bring the school-based health center to Lincoln proposes offering comprehensive age appropriate physical, mental and dental health services beginning in the 2009-2010 academic year.

The center will be housed in close proximity to the current Lincoln Alternative High School campus.

The group is now focused on raising funds and developing an operational plan for the center.

## In other School Board meeting business...

### Board members:

- approved minutes of the board meeting of August 19, 2008, Personnel Report, Out of State travel, Carl D. Perkins Vocational Grant, Three Rivers Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Agreement (dairy products), WWVEA Contract Ratification & WWVEA Extra-Curricular Contracts.

## Personnel Report

### • New Hires

(Certificated) **Patrick Kofler**, Tier II Academic Specialist, Lincoln Alt. H.S.

(Classified) **Menell Mina-Nelson**, Para-Educator, Berney

**Lorelie Moothart**, Health Clinician, Edison Elementary

**Samantha Morales**, Secretary to the Director of Preschool Programs, Blue Ridge

**Martha Reyes**, Para-Educator, Blue Ridge

**Veronica Rosales**, Intervention Specialist, Blue Ridge

**Betty Jo Vercio**, Health Clinician, Green Park

### • Leave of Absences

(Classified) **Tom Rassley**, Head Custodian, Prospect Point, 22 years

### • Out of State Travel

**Diana Erickson** to attend GLAD Key Trainer Training in Costa Mesa, CA (Funding: LEP Travel)

### Quote of the Week

"I want to be judged on the effectiveness of my career in education, not how many kids I get to pass the WASL, but on my ability to help all children realize their own potential and be a real human being that moves forward in their lives and spreads good will and compassion for humanity."

**Rich Carter, Superintendent**

*From a memo to staff on recent test results*



District Fair Coordinator **Amy Reed** explains the exhibit judging process to volunteers **James Payne** (L) and **J.R. Van Slyke**. This year hundreds of student projects were on display.

Volunteers served as judges, supervisors and activities coordinators. Thanks for all your support in making this year's fair a tremendous success.

Special thanks to **POCKETINET COMMUNICATIONS** for collaborating with the district's Technology Department to provide wireless internet to the Education Building and Fair Pavilion.

## Special Thanks!

### Amy Reed

*Education Building Superintendent*

### Volunteer Judges

James Payne: Fort Walla Walla

Mike Dedman: Whitman Mission

Squire Broel: Broel Studio

Jim Bluhm: Corps of Engineers

Jim & Ruth Russo: Whitman College

J. R. Van Slyke: WWCC

### Volunteer Technology Judges

Terri Gilbert

Shannon Ahrens

William Calhoun

Dennis Bennett

### Raffle Prize Donations

Bike Barn

Book & Game

Hot Poop

Inland Octopus

Bi-Mart

Wal-Mart



### Blue Devil Football on KTEL 1490 AM

Don't miss an exciting down of Blue Devil football this season on KTEL 1490 AM. The first game of the season is Friday, September 5 in Hermiston at 7 p.m. This year Wa-Hi teacher Scott Reardon will be calling all the play-by-play action. Tune to 1490 AM for all your Blue Devil football action.