



#### WALLA WALLA PUBLIC SCHOOLS EQUITY & DUAL PROGRAMS SEPTEMBER 2020

### **Message from the Director**

Welcome back to the 2020-2021 School Year! What a unique time for us to be in the business of educating students and engaging families. As you know, our Equity and Dual Programs Department seeks to open doors and build bridges that celebrate and nurture our students' individual identities, while remaining committed to collective efforts to honor differences while bringing our community together. This year, we will continue to develop opportunities to support our families, with a strong commitment to outreach and removing barriers in our students' lives. As we begin this year, we have an amazing opportunity for all of us to continue to seek ways to foster relationships while applying the equity lens in multiple areas. We are looking forward to partnering with you this year in multiple ways.

Dr. Julie Perrón

### Equity Hotline: 509-526-6787

The Equity and Dual Programs Department has created a hotline where parents can contact with questions or concerns regarding school and community resources!

## **MEET THE TEAM**

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# National Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month is an official national celebration that honors the history and cultural influence of past generations who came from Spain, Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

# When is Hispanic Heritage Month Celebrated?

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from September 15 to October 15.

# What is the difference between Hispanic and Latino?

While many people use Latino and Hispanic interchangeably these two words mean different things.

Latino is used when referring to someone who comes from Latin America, or is a descendant from any Latin American country. A Hispanic person is someone who comes from, or is a descendant of a Spanish-speaking country. A person can be both Hispanic and Latino, but not all Latinos are Hispanic. For example, Brazilians are Latinos, but their native language is not Spanish. Similarly, Spaniards are considered Hispanic, but not Latinos, since they are part of Europe.

For more information on Hispanic Heritage Month: <a href="https://hispanicheritagemonth.gov/">https://hispanicheritagemonth.gov/</a>



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## RADIO SPOTS WITH SERGIO HERNANDEZ

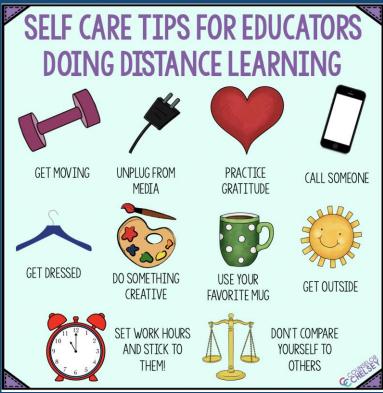
Make sure to tune in to the Spanish radio station, 92.5 FM, to listen to our WWPS Spanish announcements throughout the week.

Sergio Hernandez shares weekly school events and announcements to our Spanish-speaking community through the radio station, 92.5 FM. The announcements include, school event reminders, strategies parents can use at home with their students, and special "shout-outs" to students and staff.

If you have any events and/or announcements that you would like to promote to our Spanish-speaking community, please contact Sergio at sahernandez@wwps.org / 509.526.6748.







# **Self-Care Resources:**

Ayub, B. (2020, March 30). Building Resilience Starts with Self-Care: Resilient Educator.

Tello, M. (2020, April 16). 6 self-care steps for a pandemic – always important, now essential.



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