

News Update

Richland School District

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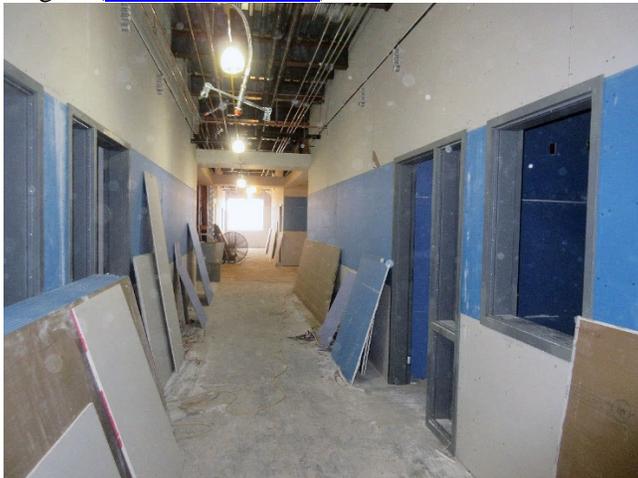
Students in Karen Johnson's first grade classroom at Jefferson Elementary School are researching, collaborating, writing, and using Chromebooks to produce informational reports on animals.

"In this photo, the students are working together to create an anchor chart which will be used to teach the rest of the class about their animal," explains Johnson.

The first graders are also using keyboarding skills to create written reports which will be shared with others.



Construction is moving along on the new Jefferson Elementary School. The new Jefferson will open in August ([construction cam](#)).



Drywall going up on the second floor of Jefferson

It was hands on learning Tuesday morning for some Richland High students. The **Ecology & Biodiversity class** visited two Prosser cemeteries as they continued their study of how populations change over time and

what factors may cause population changes ([more details and photo gallery](#)).

"The students will see if any trends can be observed regarding how long Prosser residents typically lived and if there is any evidence of an epidemic that may have caused an increase in infant mortality," explains teacher **Audra Richter**.



RHS students moved systematically through the cemeteries recording headstone data.

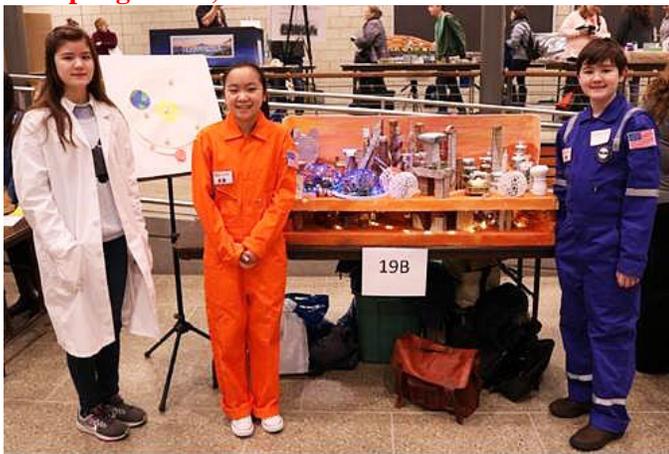
The District is **seeking parent and community members** to serve on the middle and high school **Math Adoption Committees**. Those interested should review the committee charges and complete an application form [at this link](#).

The Richland School District invites community members to **nominate names for the new preschool center** which will open this August. The [preschool center](#) will occupy what is currently the 1982 wing of Jefferson Elementary School ([nomination link](#)).

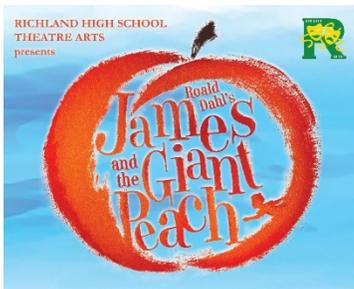


Richland High School counselor **Denise Reddinger** has been elected to a position on the **Executive Board of the Washington School Counselors Association** (WSCA). Reddinger will begin serving as the board's high school vice president in July.

After four months of hard work, a **Leona Libby Middle School** team earned first place at the **Future City** regional competition and third place at the **Washington State competition** January 20 in Auburn. Congratulations to **Anastasia Crosier, Taryn Boonpongmanee, and Jonathan Crosier.**



Learn more about the Libby Future City team [at this link.](#)



Richland High School Theatre Arts presents the musical **James and the Giant Peach** February 16, 17, 23, and 24, at 7:00 pm, in the auditorium. Tickets at the door are \$12-adults, \$8-seniors/children.

It was **Bombers Day** at Badger Mountain Elementary School on Friday. **Members of Richland High School teams and clubs** read books with the children and spoke about the importance of perseverance and kindness.



Richland High student leaders made it a memorable day for Badger Mountain children ([photo gallery](#))

Hanford High School Center Stage presents the whodunnit musical comedy **Curtains** on February 9, 10, at 7:30 pm, and a matinee February 10 at 2:00 pm, in the auditorium. Reserved seats are \$15/\$12. Tickets can be purchased in advance at: www.hanforddrama.org

Congratulations to a number of Richland School District math scholars who earned top awards at the **Math is Cool Middle School Regional Competition** and are moving on to state.....

- Phi Division 6th Grade: 1st place - Libby MS
- e Division 6th Grade: 1st place - Chief Joseph MS
- Phi Division 7th Grade: 1st place - Libby MS, 2nd place - Carmichael MS
- Phi Division 8th Grade: 1st place - Carmichael MS, 2nd place - Libby MS

Complete results and photos [at this link.](#)



Carmichael 8th grade math team moving on to state

Protecting Kids from Pornography will be held Thursday, February 15, 7:00 to 8:30 pm, at the Kennewick High School auditorium. This free forum will provide practical solutions and resources for parents, educators, and concerned community members. For more info, call 579-1176. One of the presenters will be Kristen Jensen, founder of Protect Young Minds.

