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2025-2026

ENROLLMENT

NOW OPEN

Families can start enrolling today, **NEW** students in **ALL** grade levels, for the 2025-2026 school year!

The public schools in Pullman offer rich academic programs, and tremendous opportunities for children to extend classroom learning through curricular and co-curricular enrichment. The quality of our schools is the result of the many strong partnerships that exist among parents, students, community agencies and organizations, and the high value the whole community places on quality education for all its children and youth. We look forward to the opportunity to serve you and your child in Pullman Public Schools.



Have a child who will be 5 years old by August 31, 2025?
It's time to enroll them for kindergarten!

ENROLL ONLINE TODAY!
www.pullmanschools.org/enrollment

PULLMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Aabhwan Adhikary
Bayder Al'Qaisy
Malak Alkasasbeh
Cristiana Allen-Featherman
Ahmad Alssalem
Rosemia Altman
Noema Alvarez Delos Santos
Evan Anderson
Aoun Athar
Danica Atwell
Raymond Bai
Marianna Baroni
Bonden Barrett
Lucas Bastos
Ana Ben-Yisrael
Cullen Billings
Rachel Blauer
Emma Bobo
Jayven Bogle
Quintin Bognar
Tyler Boni
Kaitlyn Bowman
Reed Brock
Mei Bromley
Reece Brozik
Sophia Brozik
Aiden Burgher
George Burke
Thomas Call
Daniella Carvalho
Susana Castro
Evelyn Cavanaugh-Spain
Hyrum Chapman
Ace Christiansen
Daniel Clark
Lucas Clark
Amelia Cobos
Lillian Cobos
Georgia Colvig
Cole Cooper
Brady Coulter
Austin Crossler
James Darling
Madison Dedloff
Alondra Diaz De Dios
Sophia Divine
Clarens Dollin
Camryn Dolmage
Kiara Donolo
Violet Downs
Christopher Druffel
Matthew Druffel
Paxton Dugan
Karson Dunlap
Lysander Elgar
Nour Elsayh
Ryanna Encinas
Ariana Fairhurst
Noelle Farrington
Desilina Fellows
Kathryn Fish
Jacob Fitzgerald
Nathaniel Fluegel

William Focht
Deborah Fonteijn
Ella Forster
Trae Fredrickson
Connor Frye
Scott Frye
Darryl Fu
Amy Fugh
Oliver Garza
Harper Gay
Paul Genz
Mannat Gill
Ella Glover
Fabian Gomez
Moises Gonzales
Madison Goodman
Andrew Gregg
Samantha Gromow
Ava Grow
Nathaniel Guerrero
Ata Gunasti
Diana Gutierrez Garcia
Ethan Ha
Alison Hathaway
Caleb Hathaway
Gabriel Hathaway
Seth Hathaway
Alexandra Hatter
Quincy Hawreliak
Joseph Hecker
Cecilia Hellmann
Quinn Hemingway
Jordan Hendrickson
Kaden Hess
Seth Hibpshman
Liam Higgins
Johnny Holland
Trestin Huston
Tegan Hyman
Brynnley Jacobs
Michael Jessen
Miller Johnson
Chloe Jones
Kaitlyn Jones
Lucy Joswiak
Hannah Kirchhoff
Daniel Kwon
Gabriel Kynes
Keith Le
Parker Lee
Parker Legreid
David Lewis
Kayli Lightfoot
Makenzie Line-Staley
Charles Liu
Lauren Lowder
Presley Lowery
Avery Luke
Alyssa Maas
Abdul-Rahaman Mahama
Lucca Yoshio Martins
Jake McCoy
Caleb McCutchen
Gloria Miller

Logan Miller
Cora Miskin
Bradin Mitzel
Jacqueline Molinari
Camila Moreno Flores
Christopher Munson
Mason Murphy
Bree Myers
Jadyn Needham
Nathan Nelson
Reed Newell
Taylor Newell
Sunny Ng
Zackary Nickels
Lara Nthoiwa
Chloe O'Loughlin
Addison Ollgaard
Teague Owen
Aditya Parikh
Mir Park
Ava Parks
Joseph Pettit
Sedelee Popp
Isabella Potts-Moore
Abigail Powers
Zaine Pumphrey
Beatrice Putney
Libby Pyo
Ella Ragle
Brayden Randall
Brianna Rasmussen
Kinsey Rees
Skyla Ritter
Aviana Rohrbaugh-Ayers
Jayden Rollins
Cora Romero
Marcelo Romero
Andrew Rudd
Zoe Russell
Addalynn Ryan
Mariam Salamjohn
Faith Sampson
James Schaub
Mackenzie Schilling
Samuel Sears
Azriah Seeber
Daniel Sharp
Logan Shore Kilgore-Brown
Chase Sinclair
Audrey Smith
Dylan Smith
Jacqueline Smith
Dezmond Snell
Jonas Somerlott
Joseph Sontgerath
Kylinn Sparks
Corinne Stewart
Megan Stratton
Calin Swan
Anina Swanson
Ayson Swim
Zubair Syed
Audrey Tan
Cole Taylor

Dylan Taylor
Dezaray Terkel
Emerson Tippet
Shanelle Tran
Max Turneure
Samantha-Jean Turner
Devin Ukaegbu
Paula Valbuena Arciniegas
Sydney Van Arsdell
Mason VanCuren
Liana Vanek
Anna Vickoren
Shaylee Wadsworth
Neal Wang
Rhoda Wang
Ewan Wayman
Olivia Wilkins
Cameron Williams
Madison Winkler
Taylore Wolfe
Allison Wood
Tristen Zorb

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Pullman School District to Launch New Website in July 2025

Pullman School District’s current website hosting contract with Intrado is set to expire in August 2025. The district originally entered into a five-year agreement with Intrado in 2020 to provide website hosting services. As the end of that contract approaches, we are preparing to transition to a new website hosting service, ParentSquare Smart Sites, that better meets the current website accessibility standards and the evolving needs of our schools, families, and community.

ParentSquare already serves as our district’s primary communication platform. With ParentSquare Smart Sites, families and community members will be able to access news, calendars, alerts, and school information all in one integrated location. This change reflects our broader commitment to improved communication. Moving to Smart Sites allows us to consolidate services and provide a more streamlined, user-friendly experience.



Our new district and school websites (hosted by **ParentSquare Smart Sites**) will officially launch in **July 2025**. This timing ensures a seamless transition ahead of the 2025–2026 school year.

What You’ll Find on Our New Website:

- A sleek, user-friendly design
- Easy access to calendars, news, and events
- Mobile-ready for any phone or tablet
- Quick links to important resources
- Meets website accessibility standards

New Look, Same Web Address!

Our website may have a new look, but you’ll still find us at the same address:

<https://www.pullmanschools.org>

Helpful Tip: If you’re having trouble viewing the new site when it launches, try clearing your browser history or cache. You may also need to update any bookmarks to specific pages like School Calendars or School Menus.

We look forward to sharing this refreshed online experience with you soon. Thank you for your continued support as we improve how we serve and connect with our school community.



National Board Certified Teachers (NBCT)

??? Did you know? ???

We have 18 National Board Certified Teachers in our District!



Kate Agnew
Health & Fitness



Kevin Agnew
Career Choices/
Worksite Learning



Aubrey Anderson
Gateway to
Technology Teacher



Jill Bickelhaupt
Family & Consumer
Sciences/CTE Director



Amy Caessens
Fitness, Movement,
Sport & Health



Jacqueline Carlson
Math Teacher



Katharine Covill
Orchestra



Raeiah Currier
English



Willma Fields
Kindergarten



Declan Keogh
History and
Psychology



Heather Lohrmeyer
Elementary Art/STEM



Stephanie Newman
1st Grade



Shelley Ogenorth
Third Grade



Sandra Casanova
Second Grade



Elizabeth Powell
Math



Holly Steele
Third Grade



Joni Stevens
Curriculum/Assessment
& HiCap Teacher
Specialist



Doug Winchell
Multimedia,
Photography, and
Broadcasting



SUN Bucks, also known as Summer EBT, is a program that helps families buy food for their school-aged children during the summer. Families will get a one-time \$120 benefit per year for each eligible child to help buy groceries during the summer months. SUN Bucks is separate from Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and provides food benefits to each eligible child. The food benefit amount may vary from year to year.

Similar to SNAP, SUN Bucks is a flexible food benefit that families can use to buy food to help offset rising food costs. Using SUN Bucks also helps bring additional dollars into local economies.

Learn more at: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sunbucks>



PULLMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS SUMMER HOURS

Monday, June 23- Friday, August 15

Monday	7:00 am - 4:30 pm
Tuesday	7:00 am - 4:30 pm
Wednesday	7:00 am - 4:30 pm
Thursday	7:00 am - 4:30 pm
Friday	7:00 am - 11:00 am
Saturday	CLOSED
Sunday	CLOSED

Acronyms, Smacronyms!

Kathi Keefer, Franklin Elementary School Principal

Education is known for its many, many... *many* acronyms. While they can be helpful in everyday conversations among educators, to the rest of us, they can be overwhelming and confusing.

So today, let’s talk about two important and impactful acronyms used across all our schools here in Pullman Public Schools. Hopefully, this brief introduction will help our community better understand how we’re building and leveraging powerful systems to improve teaching and learning.

Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)

MTSS is a framework designed to meet the diverse needs of all students by integrating academic, behavioral, and social-emotional interventions at just the right level.

- The goal of MTSS is to improve academic outcomes for every student. It helps identify students who may need extra support, provides targeted interventions, and monitors progress. It also offers enrichment and extension for students who are already at or above grade level.
- MTSS offers a continuum of supports within the school day, with a strong focus on data-driven decision-making and collaboration among educators. Schoolwide structures such as efficient master schedules and creative use of time and people resources allow us to provide explicit instruction in

skills and standards individualized to each student.

- This tiered approach ensures educational access to grade level content and standards while additionally ensuring that students struggling or accelerating academically receive the right kind of support at the right time, with collaboration among educators, parents, and specialists as a core element.

Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)

More important than any system, however, is the *time* educators get to make it work effectively—and that’s where Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) come in.

The fundamental purpose of a PLC is to ensure that **all students** learn at high levels. Within a PLC framework, teams of educators meet regularly to discuss students *by name and by need*. In Pullman Public Schools, this crucial collaboration occurs every week during Monday morning late starts.

A Team Approach

The best part of all this? The team approach. As we continue to develop our MTSS through the collaborative work of PLCs, we’re no longer working in isolation. The responsibility for teaching and learning is shared more manageably among our educators, and the growth and learning of every student is regularly celebrated by all.



Kamiak Elementary Fifth Grade Team named 2025 “Dedicated Teaching Team Recognition Award” Recipient

At the April 30, 2025 Regular Board Meeting, the Kamiak Elementary Fifth Grade Team was presented with the 2025 Dedicated Teaching Team Recognition Award by the Pullman Public Schools Board of Directors. Each year, the board typically has selected one certificated employee to receive this recognition; however, this year our Board of Director’s is presenting a “Dedicated Teaching Team Recognition Award” in lieu of the “Dedicated Teacher Award.” This recognition is in appreciation of that team’s demonstrated dedication to students and to their school.

Meghan McKeirnan, Isayah Quitugua, and Emily Poston’s team was recommended for this recognition by Evan Hecker, Kamiak Elementary School Principal, who shared that this high-functioning collaborative team played a key role in Kamiak Elementary School earning recognition as a Washington State ESEA Distinguished School.

Principal Hecker shared, “This team operates with a shared mission, vision, values, and goals centered on high levels of learning for all students. They’ve created a common understanding of what the fifth-grade experience should look like and work collaboratively to bring that vision to life. Their goals are SMART—specific, measurable, attainable, results-oriented, and time-bound—and they use them to monitor progress and adjust instruction as needed. Their commitment to collaboration, continuous improvement, and a focus on results has transformed learning in their classrooms and across our school. Their example shows that when educators unite around a shared purpose, extraordinary outcomes are possible. This team embodies what it means to be a professional learning community—and their work played a central role in Kamiak Elementary being named a 2024 Washington State ESEA Distinguished School.”

From all of us here at Pullman School District, we extend our congratulations to Meghan McKeirnan, Isayah Quitugua, and Emily Poston – Kamiak Elementary Fifth Grade Team!

2025 Dedicated Teaching Team Recognition Award Nominees:

Special Education Teaching Team, Pullman High School

Mathematics Teaching Team, Lincoln Middle School

Second Grade Teaching Team, Sunnyside Elementary School

Core+ Teaching Team, Jefferson Elementary School

Core+ Teaching Team, Franklin Elementary School



Franklin Elementary Recognized by Washington State School Recognition Program

(The Washington School Recognition Program was previously known as the Washington Achievement Awards)

For years, the State Board of Education (SBE), Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) and the Educational Opportunity Gap Oversight and Accountability Committee (EOGOAC) have collaborated on the Washington School Recognition Program honoring K–12 public schools across the state for closing opportunity gaps and for students’ growth and academic achievement.

For the 2023-2024 school year, **Franklin Elementary School** has been recognized for the following and will receive a banner to display at their school:

- **Growth for students in Special Education**
- **Achievement in ELA & Math & Attendance**

There are three routes for schools to be honored by the Washington School Recognition Program.

- **Closing Gaps:** These schools make significant advancements for all students or specific student groups in the area identified for improvement.
- **Growth:** These schools have at least one student group among the highest performers on at least 60% of WSIF measures.
- **Achievement:** These schools show high performance on at least two of the following measures: attendance, dual credit completion, English language arts (ELA) assessments, graduation rates, math assessments, and ninth grade on-track.

Franklin Elementary was also recognized as a 2022-2023 Washington State School for English Language Arts (ELA) Growth for one or more student groups. This consecutive recognition reflects Franklin Elementary’s continued dedication to fostering academic growth and achievement across all student groups. Franklin’s emphasis on fostering a supportive and inclusive learning environment serves as a testament to the power of collaborative efforts and targeted strategies in driving positive educational outcomes.

From all of us here at Pullman Public Schools we extend our congratulations to Franklin Elementary!

To learn more about the Washington State School Recognition Program, visit the link below:
<https://sbe.wa.gov/school-recognition-resources-honored-schools>

The Pullman School District Board of Directors and the Pullman School District shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities programs without regard to race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation (including gender expression or identity), marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, participation in the Boy Scouts of America or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator, Assistant Superintendent, (509) 332-3144, compliancecoord@psd267.org, and Section 504/ADA Coordinator, Assistant Superintendent (509) 332-3144, compliancecoord@psd267.org. 240 SE Dexter Street, Pullman, WA 99163. Applicants with disabilities may request reasonable accommodations in the application process by contacting the Personnel Coordinator at (509) 332-3584. Title IX inquiries may also be directed toward the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR): <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html>. Information about the nondiscrimination and sex- based discrimination policies and grievance procedures, and how to report a concern or complaint: https://www.pullmanschools.org/families/hib-and-discrimination/discrimination_sexual_harassment.

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