



Middle Level Programs

Create a Culture ▪ Close the Gap ▪ Ensure Safety ▪ Engage the Community

Programs

Leadership Camps: Summer (4 sessions)

Cispus & Chewelah Peak Learning Centers

Middle Level Leadership Camp is a four-day intensive leadership experience designed for elected student government officers and highly motivated student leaders. Camps are open to students enrolled in middle schools or junior highs entering grades 7, 8 or 9. The camp's activity-oriented curriculum pivots around five components: communication, group process, managerial skills, self-awareness and human relations. The staff is composed of an administrative team, fifteen middle level activity advisers and professionals with backgrounds in leadership. College students and high school leaders serve as Resident Counselors. An optional adviser workshop is offered in conjunction with each session of camp. 20 clock hours are available.

Middle Level Team Retreat: October

Cispus & Chewelah Peak Learning Centers

The three-day Middle Level Team Retreat is designed to increase the effectiveness of a school's student leadership team. There are three primary goals for the retreat:

- To enhance the leadership skills of student leaders and their advisers.
- To provide school delegations a teambuilding experience and time to develop action plans for school activities and projects.
- To give student leaders and their advisers a chance to network and share ideas.

Fall Leadership Day

Multiple school sites around the state

The Fall Leadership Day is an energizing one-day workshop to start up the year. Build your team and network with other schools. Topics include: project planning, teambuilding, school climate, officer responsibility and idea share.

Middle Level Regionals: February

Multiple school sites around the state

Middle Level Regionals are one-day leadership conferences. The curriculum is designed to provide delegates a motivational leadership experience. Students leave with new ideas, an expanded view of leadership and the skills to put ideas into action. In addition, school groups practice teambuilding skills. Serving as one of the host sites gives a school's student leadership program the opportunity to showcase their skills and school.

¡La Chispa! Regionals: November

¡La Chispa! (The Spark!) is a one-day leadership conference in the fall at multiple sites across the state. ¡La Chispa! is designed to engage Latino students in a bilingual & biliterate environment to promote the value of reading, writing and speaking in two languages. Students build positive connections with Latino role models, learn leadership and life skills, and explore three over-arching questions: *Who am I? What can I do? Where do I go from here?*

Custom Workshops & Retreats

Held at your site or at the Cispus and Chewelah Peak Learning Centers

Custom workshops and retreats are available upon request. The workshops are designed to build specific skills into a school's student leadership program. Typical workshop requests are student council teambuilding, officer responsibility, meeting skills, school climate and developing the school activity calendar for the year. Custom programs can involve multiple school delegations from neighboring schools.

Support

Washington Activity Coordinators Association

Since the 1970s, the Washington Activity Coordinators Association has held an annual professional conference in mid-March. Meet vendors & speakers, take workshops and network with other advisers. www.wacaonline.org

AWSL Membership

Middle Schools and Junior Highs can join the Association of Washington Student Leaders (AWSL). AWSL member schools receive the electronic newsletter *In the Loop*, discounts on all programs and timely communication. In addition, membership establishes eligibility for all recognition and award programs sponsored by the Association of Washington Student Leaders.

"Starting in the Middle:

Leadership Designs for Middle Level Leaders"

This middle level leadership curriculum manual was designed for and by middle level activity advisers. It is a collection of lessons, activities, program models and resources for a student leadership program. Each lesson is divided into 15-minute sections making it a valuable resource for advisory periods as well as leadership classes.

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