

Family GED Monday, January 23rd, 2012

Schedule

TIME	Activity	Who Should Attend	Place
8:15 - 9 am	Arrive Olympia and sign in	All	Columbia Room
9 am	Welcome and Introductions from Coalition	All	Columbia Room
9:10 am	Keynote from Charlotte Akin	All	Columbia Room
9:35 am	State Superintendent Randy Dorn	All	Columbia Room
10 am	Governor Gregoire	All	Columbia Room
10:15 am	Advocacy Tips Kelly Dunn	All	Columbia Room
10:30 am - noon	Capitol Tours (limited space)	2 Family Groups	Tours start from Columbia Room
Noon	Lunch (bring your lunch)	All	Columbia Room (or outside if nice)
12:15 pm	Sen. Paull Shin, dist 21	Pam Gaspers, lead District 21 families	Office 407 Legislative Bldg
12:30 pm	Rosemary McAuliffe dist 1	Lisa Flynn, leader District 1 families	Senate Gallery
12:30 pm	Sen. Maralyn Chase, district 32	Tina Raghu, leader District 32 families	Cherberg Bldg Room 236
1:00 pm	Pick up Sen. Paull Shin to join us for group photo	Pam Gaspers only	Office Leg 407

Family GED Monday, January 23rd, 2012

TIME	Activity	Who Should Attend	Place
1:00 pm	Group Photo on Capitol steps (Rep. Roberts may join us for the photo)	All Photographer: Bob Riner	Capital Steps (north side)
1:15 – 1:25 pm	Rep. Cindy Ryu, dist 32	Robert Silber of Shoreline (Michelle Toshima backup)	JLOB 324
1:30 pm	Rep. Marko Lias, dist 21	Tina Raghu, leader District 21 & 32	JLOB 412
1:30 pm	Rep. Mike Hope, dist 44 (may not be available & then will meet assist Russel)	Audrey Hamlin-Burns, leader District 44	JLOB 466
1:45 – 2:10 pm	Rep. Derek Stanford, dist 1	Ginger Everhart, lead – District 1	JLOB 318
2:00 pm	Rep. Hans Dunshee, dist 44 (will meet assist. Christina)	Tina Raghu, leader District 44	JLOB 302
2:15 pm	Sen. Steve Hobbs, dist 44 (drop in to see if available)	Ginger Everhart, lead – All districts	JAC 239
2:30 pm	Rep. Luis Moscoso, dist 1	Ginger Everhart, lead – All districts	JLOB 332

Our Legislative Districts

1st District	21st District	32nd District	44th District
Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe	Sen. Paull Shin	Sen. Maralyn Chase	Sen. Steve Hobbs
Rep. Derek Stanford	Rep. Marko Lias	Rep. Cindy Ryu	Rep. Mike Hope
Rep. Luis Moscoso	Rep. Mary Helen Roberts	Rep. Ruth Kagi	Rep. Hans Dunshee

Family GED Monday, January 23rd, 2012

DETAILS, DETAILS.....

EXCUSED ABSENCE: You must still contact your school (425-431-7482) and report your child's absence. The principals at Terrace Park and BTMS will excuse any students attending GED with their family including siblings not in the highly capable program.

NEED HELP IN OLYMPIA: Two CPA board members, Kristin Merrill and Michelle Toshima, will be in the Columbia Room through out the day to help direct you. You can reach Michelle Toshima by cell at 206-427-2699.

WASHINGTON COALITION FOR GIFTED EDUCATION is a non-profit organization that advocates for gifted education in Olympia. They hire a lobbyist and are the organizers for Gifted Education Day. CPA is a member. You may also join their efforts and can find more information in Olympia or at <http://wcge.wordpress.com/>.

COLUMBIA ROOM: The Washington Coalition for Gifted Education has use of the Columbia Room on the first floor of the Capitol building from 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This room is directly under the Dome. This will be our main gathering spot.

SIGN IN: Adults, please sign in with the Coalition in the Columbia Room. They will give you a name tag. It is important for the Coalition to have a list of attendees.

LUNCH: Bring your lunch and snack provisions in a labeled bag. You may leave this in the Columbia Room; we'll stake out an CPA location. *Please do not leave valuables, electronics or keys in the Colombia Room.*

T-SHIRTS: Plan to wear your purple GED T-shirts with a Wolf. This identifies us as a group as we move around the capitol. We have used the same T-shirt for several years so you can reuse yours from last year. You can also wear any purple shirt or come as you are as the T-shirt is not required.

CAMERA: Please bring your camera and share your photos with CPA. Print them and put them in the CPA mailbox for hanging on our bulletin board.

RULES ON BAGS/BACKPACKS & ELECTRONICS: Students are NOT allowed to carry backpacks or have any electronic devices. Adults may carry bags or backpacks and have electronics so plan accordingly.

RULE ON HATS: No hats or caps allowed.

Family GED Monday, January 23rd, 2012

DIRECTIONS & PARKING:

- Get on I-5 going SOUTH (advised to use HOV & Express lanes when available)
- Take exit **105** toward **State Capitol/City Center**
- Merge onto **Capitol Access Arterial/Jim Moore Memorial Pkwy**
- Continue onto **14th Ave SE**
- Turn **left** at **Jefferson St***
- Turn **right** at **Maple Ave.** into the **Maple Park DASH parking lot**
- If this lot is closed or has no available parking, drivers please drop your passengers at the nearest northbound DASH shuttle stop and drive your vehicle to the Farmers' Market parking lot.

★ Directions to the Farmers' Market parking lot from Maple Park:

- Head **west** on **Maple Park Ave SE** toward **Franklin St SE**
- Turn **right** at **Capitol Way S**
- At the traffic circle, take the **1st** exit onto **Market St**
- Destination will be on the left.

★ Look for designated stalls with green striping.

★ After you pay for parking, catch the next available southbound DASH shuttle.

★ Parking Rates

- Capitol Area parking lots charge \$1.50/hour.
- Pay stations accept cash and debit/credit cards.

★ Free DASH Capital area Shuttle Service

<http://www.intercitytransit.com/traveloptions/dash/Pages/default.aspx>

•Shuttles run every 12 minutes from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

INFORMATION FOR MEETING WITH LEGISLATORS

- ❖ Please try to come prepared with a few notes and be on time to meetings.
- ❖ Group Leaders will help to facilitate the meetings and have hand outs from CPA.
- ❖ We encourage students to share their **personal stories** of how gifted education has affected them personally. If students have letters or other mementos they wish to give to legislators with whom we meet, they are welcome to do so.
- ❖ Key Talking Points:
 - Introduce your self (name and where you are from)
 - Thank them for including Highly Capable Programs in basic education. As HB 2261 says so clearly, "access to accelerated learning and enhanced instruction is access to a basic education" for Highly Capable students. This is very important with the WA Supreme Court ruling this month that upholds that basic education must be funded.
 - Thank them for maintaining funding in the current budget.
 - Explain how being in a Highly Capable Program has improved student's educational experiences and how it might help them in the future.
- ❖ Follow up with a thank you. This can be hand written, note cards in Columbia Room or an email or phone message.
 - ✉ Email by going to Washington State Web site or look up your legislators at <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder/default.aspx>
 - ✉ Phone Message at Legislative Hot Line **1.800.562.6000**