

The logo features a large white circle centered on a solid blue background. The text "Washougal School District" is centered within the white circle in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

Washougal School District

Be You! Be Known!

Dr. Mary Templeton, Superintendent



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VISION: Washougal Knows, Nurtures and Challenges All Students to Rise



District profile

- Caring, supportive, and involved community
- 3,000 students
- 207 teachers
- Suburban and rural community in the greater Portland metropolitan area
- 39% of students are from low income families
- 12% Hispanic

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Structures and Systems for Student Voice



- Classroom morning meetings
- Focus groups
- Principal's student advisory
- Student representative to school board
- Student affinity groups
- Student surveys and leadership feedback
- Screening tools, online reporting tools for safety concerns



How Have We Leveraged Student Voice



- Student focus groups in 2020 and 2021
- Students sharing about racial slurs led to staff training and action
- Food quality led to bringing culinary in-house and scratch made meals
- Student feedback included in Strategic Planning process and Budget process



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Themes From Our Students

- **Invest in supports**

- Time, connection with trusted adults, safety and belonging
- Create a culture of kindness

- **Take action**

- Invest in curriculum that is exciting, relevant, and engaging
- Address concerns to create safe learning environment for all students
- See me, not just the popular students



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Strengthening Student Voice

- Continue focus groups
- Intentional community building with students
- Student representatives on school board
- Sharing progress and asking for feedback – is it working?
- **ALL students involved!**



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What did we learn by listening?



- Not all students feel known, nurtured, challenged, or seen & heard in our schools
- Trusting relationships allow students to share hard truths
- It is hard to argue against improving the lived experience of our students
- Students are ready to be part of the solution



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WASHOUGAL:
Where you can
be challenged.

**BE YOU.
BE KNOWN.**



WASHOUGAL:
Where you can
express yourself.

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BE KNOWN.**



WASHOUGAL:
Where learning
goes beyond
the school day.

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BE YOURSELF



BE CHALLENGED



BE YOU.
BE KNOWN.



BE ON THE FIELD



BE ENGAGED

Now enrolling for an exciting school year!

Thank You!



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Pause and Integrate

- What systemic and structural strategies did you hear?
- What is resonating?
- 5 minutes