

The logo for Spokane Public Schools features a large white circle centered on a solid blue background. The text "Spokane Public Schools" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, centered within the white circle.

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WASA Fall Conference 2022

DREAM.
ACCESS.
OPPORTUNITY.



What is our SPS Promise

- Every student has a **dream**, **access**, and **opportunity** for a happy and successful future



District Profile

- 56 Schools
- 30,000 Students
- 5,500 Employees
- 55% Free & Reduced Lunch Rate
- 37% Students of Color
- 79 Languages



District Highlights

- Graduation Rate – 90%
- Regional Spokane Scholars – 4/6
- Workforce Diversity Increase – 20%
- Concluded year without discipline disproportionality
- Tripled early learning enrollment



School Board Student Advisors

- Each year the SPS School Board conducts an open interview process to select Student Advisors that participate as non-voting members of the board



Perception Surveys

- SPS students participate in annual climate and culture surveys as well as a perception survey on social emotional learning constructs



Student Led Committees & Organizations

- Students are encouraged and supported in establishing student-led committees on topics identified by students and to participate in regional and national organizations.
- Ex. SAC3 (Climate)
- Ex. Mental Health



Podcasts

- SPS Communications Department staff actively work with students to develop Podcasts to provide another platform for elevating a student perspective



Social Media Ambassadors

- Every school identifies a social media lead that utilizes a platform called ClassIntercom to support and manage the contributions of student social media ambassadors to fill the social media space with content and student voice



Advisory & Elementary Class Meetings

- All SPS Secondary Schools include an Advisory Class and elementary schools conduct daily class meetings to delivery social emotional learning curriculum with an emphasis on elevating student voice



Diversion Agreements

- The SPS Family & Community Engagement Department partners with staff, students, and families to develop diversion agreements and facilitate restorative practices that support student voice in repairing harm and learning from mistakes



Student Forums & Listening Sessions

- Student forums and listening sessions are facilitated on specific topics as interest and issues surface.
- Ex. Young Women Leaders Forum
- Ex. Boundary Adjustments



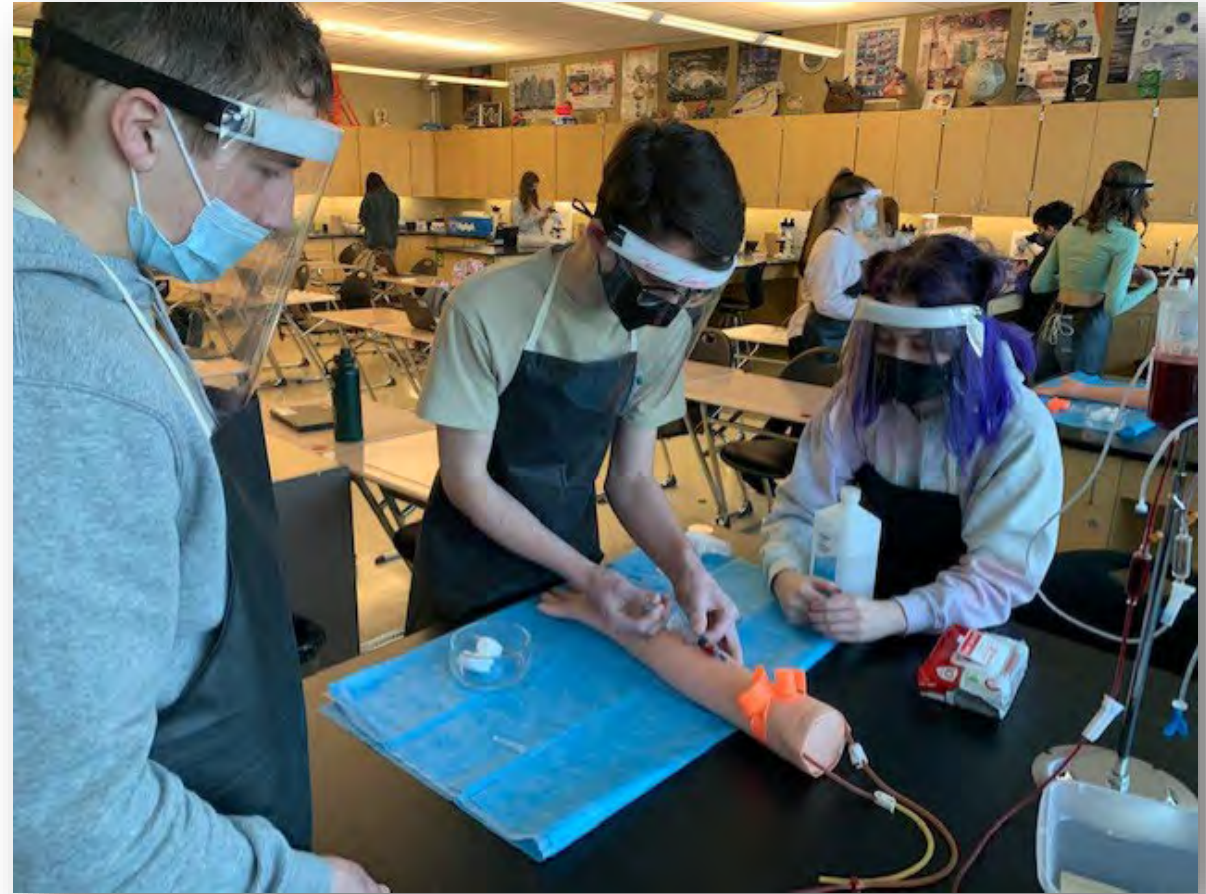
Open Lines of Communication – Let's Talk

- SPS utilizes a platform called Let's Talk for students, staff, and families to submit questions, concerns, or feedback. Students can be anonymous contributors



Career Connect Learning

- SPS is developing internal internships, apprenticeships, and job-shadows to provide career connected learning, with an emphasis of soliciting their input on district culture and operations



School & District Student Advisory System

- Each schools is starting a student advisory that will meet regularly as well as send representatives to district advisories for elementary, middle, and high school levels



SPS News Now

- To foster career connected learning and the ability of students to create content, SPS is developing an internal news entity that is student driven through media and broadcasting classes that will provide story-telling to the community and information on current district events



Building a School District on Love

- Every student has a **dream**, **access**, and **opportunity** for a happy and successful future
- The heart of the SPS Promise and student voice is building a district on love
- Themes and lessons from students



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