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# Public Invited to Ribbon Cuttings at Two New Pendleton Schools

*Pendleton* – The Pendleton School District invites the community to celebrate its two new elementary schools on Thursday, September 8. A ribbon cutting is scheduled at Washington Elementary School at 5 PM and festivities there will also include Native American drumming and dancers. The ribbon cutting at Sherwood Heights begins at 6 PM.

After the official ceremonies, the public can tour the new school buildings. Those evenings are also open houses for the two schools for students and families. Washington's Open House is from 5 to 7 PM and Sherwood's is from 6 to 8 PM.

"We hope the public will join us for these exciting events. It's not too often we get to celebrate brand new schools, and the district looks forward to sharing these beautiful new facilities with the community," said Andy Kovach, district superintendent.

Each new school cost approximately \$17 million to build and both projects have been completed on budget.

The two new elementary schools were built as part of the Pendleton School District's \$50 million bond approved by voters in November 2013. Students from Lincoln Primary and West Hills Intermediate schools will now attend Washington or Sherwood. Lincoln will be converted to the district office and maintenance shop, and West Hills is being



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converted into the new P-TECH building (Pendleton Technology and Trades Center) for Career and Technical Education (CTE).

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