

*Never has there been a place like this, where the setting and the citizens all come together in one unique package.*

*LaCrosse is a community with a rich agricultural legacy, where people work together, and where values and the past are respected as being the foundation of the present, and for the future.*



*It is an ideal place for retirement and for those just starting out. If you are looking for a quiet, safe and friendly community, LaCrosse is for you.*



# Discover LaCrosse

## The Area

LaCrosse is nestled in the Palouse region of southeast Washington state. Characterized by its soft, fertile ground and rolling hills, the Palouse is a prime producer of wheat, barley and lentils. Bordered by the Snake River to the south and the mountains of Idaho to the east, the Palouse is Washington's heartland. Four true seasons, abundant sunshine, low taxes, affordable living and friendly folks are found here.



## Social



As a town where residents care about and participate in their community, LaCrosse has many social organizations.

These include the Lions Club and the Masons. The LaCrosse Business Association promotes area businesses and community activities. LaCrosse is also home to several churches—Catholic, Country Bible, Lutheran and United Methodist.

## Festivities

LaCrosse is an active community and many events are held throughout the year. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in June, LaCrosse pulls out all the stops for its Farmers' Festival. Events include a performance by LaCrosse's own singing group—the 89ers, a fun run, parade, community picnic and games. The first week of September is the big Palouse Empire Fair near Colfax with rides, 4H and entertainment.

## Seniors

LaCrosse is a great town for seniors. Senior housing is one block from downtown and Meals on Wheels is available. A shuttle van makes regular trips to area shops and medical facilities. Twice a month seniors enjoy a special tasty lunch at the café. LaCrosse has it all within walking distance—grocery store, post office, banks, restaurants, auto repair and gift shops. Medical care, including a full-service hospital, is only a half-hour away in Colfax.

## Recreation



Abundant deer and pheasant populations provide ample challenges for hunters. A sportsman's paradise, the area provides plenty of year-round recreational opportunities. Pampa Pond and the Snake River are prime locations for trout, steelhead and bass fishing. Picnic, camp and hike at Palouse Falls. Skiing is only an hour away in the Blue Mountains. In town, stay at the RV park and enjoy the local parks, swimming pool and gun range.

## Families

Many youth organizations and activities are available, including Future Farmers of America (FFA), 4H, baseball, basketball and soccer. Each year, LaCrosse Junior High School hosts a round robin basketball tournament.



## Nearby

LaCrosse is conveniently located near many major services and attractions. Spokane, 80 miles to the northeast, offers all the big city services. Pullman, home of Washington State University, is only 50 miles to the east. Cheney, 50 miles to the north, is the home of Eastern Washington University.

Only a short drive away, camp, boat, water ski, or fish at Central Ferry. Or visit Palouse Falls State Park where you can enjoy a hike or picnic among a beautiful 198 foot waterfall.



## Services

LaCrosse visitors and residents enjoy a variety of services. Two airports serve the town—the LaCrosse airport, just outside of town, accommodates small planes. Commercial flights to Seattle, Spokane and other cities are available at the Pullman airport.



LaCrosse residents enjoy a local post office, UPS and Federal Express pickup and delivery, a city hall, Whitman County branch library, local telephone company, internet service and fire department complete with EMT services. Medical care and a full-service hospital are only 30 miles to the east, in Colfax. LaCrosse is also served by city utilities, wireless communications and cable TV.

# Education

The LaCrosse School District is a small school system that offers its students excellent learning opportunities and amenities not possible in larger districts.

The school comprises two buildings serving 150 students. Grades K–5, along with the special programs, are housed in the elementary building. Grades 6–12 are served in the high school building. Both the students and the community take pride in the welcoming and well maintained facilities.



The school system has broad-based community support. School levies approved by the voters allow the school to staff well above the state funded amounts. This enables the school to provide small class sizes in all grade levels. Elementary classes average 11 students per teacher in grades K–3, and 14 students per teacher in grades 4–6. The school's size, and the efforts of the dedicated staff, ensure that students in all grade levels receive individualized attention and support.

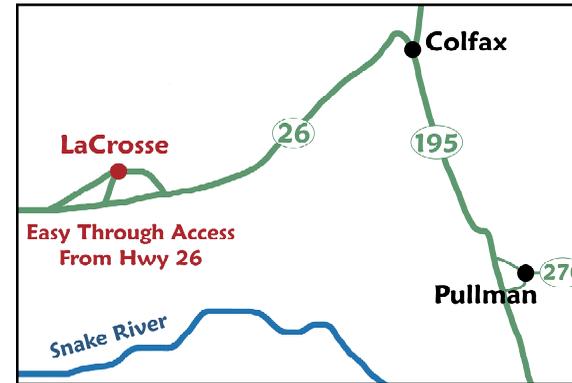
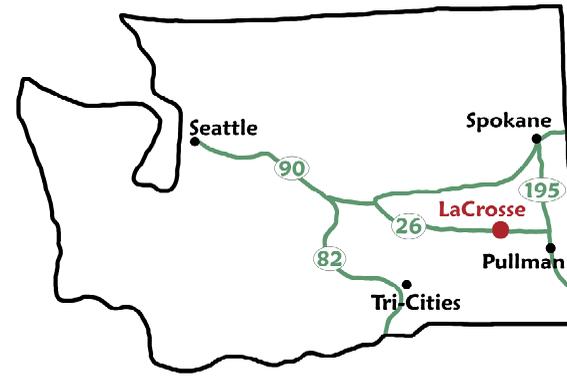
Two central concepts are constant guides in the development of school programs and learning activities: high achievement standards and high expectations of personal responsibility. Both student achievement and instilling positive character attributes are important to the school, the parents and the community.

Technology is helping to expand learning opportunities for students. Distance learning using computers and the internet has greatly increased students' course offerings and learning resources. New technology learning standards will guide student learning about the use of technology and its use as an integrated learning tool. The current ratio of students to computers is 2:1.



LaCrosse students are fortunate to have a wide variety of extra-curricular activities available that can enrich their educational and personal development. In addition, the school and the community provide many opportunities for families to participate together, including active elementary and secondary sports programs, FFA, 4-H, and Family Night Out programs.

Visit the school our web site at, [www.lax.wednet.edu](http://www.lax.wednet.edu), for information about the school and student activities.



LaCrosse has easy through access, east or westbound from Highway 26. Each of the three exits marked LaCrosse lead directly into town.

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