



Office of the President

March 22, 2010

Re: Google Beta High Speed Internet Service

On behalf of the faculty, students and staff of Lake Washington Technical College, it is my great pleasure to write this letter supporting the City of Kirkland's bid to serve as a test city for the launch of Google's Fiber for Communities Project.

For 60 years, Lake Washington Technical College (LWTC) has been serving the region with high-quality workforce education programs in high-demand fields. We serve nearly 9,000 students and our mission is simple: To prepare students for today's careers and tomorrow's opportunities. We provide our students with pathways, through two- and four-year degrees in technical fields, to a new career and a new life. Our pioneering spirit led us to become the first technical college in Washington State to offer a Bachelor's degree program, the Bachelor of Technology in Applied Design.

Access to Google's ultra-high speed broadband networks will benefit students, staff and the community by providing better and faster access to LWTC online learning systems. Access to class work, library resources and other services will be improved when connecting from home, at work, or even from their favorite local café.

We're proud of our status as a leader in the Kirkland community. We keep an open dialogue with city government, the business community and residents to ensure we're offering relevant courses and working together to make our community a premier place to live and work. Google's Fiber for Communities Project will improve our ability to provide career pathways to the residents of our community, provide highly trained workers to local business and change people's lives for the better.

At Lake Washington Technical College we continually look for innovative ways to provide access to education and collaboration and as such we give our unwavering support to the City of Kirkland's bid to introduce Google High Speed Internet to our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon McGavick".

Dr. Sharon McGavick
President
Lake Washington Technical College