

Homegrown Heroes: Jeff Laycock



Graduated: 1998
Attended: Cascade
Elementary, Cedarcrest
Middle School and
Marysville-Pilchuck High
School
Current Job: City Engineer
with the City of Marysville

Where did your path lead
after graduation?
After high school, I attended Washington State University where I majored in Civil Engineering. Go Cougs!

While in college, I was an engineering intern during the 2001 summer for the City of Marysville. I graduated from college in 2002, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering. Shortly after college, I started working for RH2 Engineering in Port Orchard, Washington where I was involved with the construction of the City’s wastewater treatment plant expansion. Wanting to start a family, my wife Diana and I decided we wanted to relocate back to Snohomish County to be closer to family and friends. Recalling my experience as an intern, I applied for an Associate Engineer position with the City of Marysville and started working for the City in 2007.

What are you doing now?
Ten years later, I am still employed with the City of Marysville. I am currently the City Engineer and lead a team of staff to plan and deliver a variety of projects throughout the City. I reside in Stanwood with Diana and my eight-year old son, Kale.

What is an achievement you are proud of?
I am proud of where I am at in my career. I enjoy being part of Marysville’s growth and helping to shape the City’s future. I am also proud to be able to be in a position where I feel like I can contribute toward giving back to the community in which I was raised.

What is one memorable moment from your school days?
Some of my fondest memories were spent on the football field on Friday nights and the relationships I developed being part of such a team. However, my most memorable moments from high school were spent with my future wife Diana.

How did Marysville schools help prepare you for life?
I believe Marysville schools helped prepare me for life by providing the level of education and opportunity necessary toward the pursuit of a higher education. I feel that the staff, coaches, friends and family always provided the encouragement to make me want to do better, work harder and to never give up.

What is one thing you would change about your school experience?
To be honest, I would not change a thing. Growing up through Marysville schools and in Marysville was a great experience! I still enjoy being part of the community and making a positive difference.

What is one life lesson you’ve learned that you would like to share with others?
Live in the moment. Life is too short to worry about what may have been or what is going to happen. Make the most of now and share the experience with the ones you love.

Are YOU a Homegrown Hero? Do you know one?

Every day, staff and administration hear about Marysville School District alumni doing great things locally and across the world. From serving in the Foreign Service, or creating a microfinance program to help developing countries, to working on a county initiative, or starting up a local non-profit, former Marysville students are doing some amazing things!

The Homegrown Heroes project seeks to highlight Marysville School District alumni and their achievements, large and small. Learn more at <http://bit.ly/HomegrownHeros>

NOTE: If you know a fantastic Marysville grad that should be recognized, contact Emily_Wicks@msd25.org with their contact name, email and phone number and we’ll get in touch!

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