

LES ENGLE MHS '62

Les Engle is the son of Leland and Alice Engle. He attended Marshfield Junior High School 1956-57 and 1957-58, then attended Marshfield High School for the next 4 years, graduating in 1962. Les was very active in sports, vocal music and student council and credits his teachers for inspiring him to attend Oregon State University to major in Education. Les returned to Coos Bay after graduating from OSU to teach PE and coach at MJHS. After completing his master's degree at Western Oregon University, in Guidance and Counseling, he spent 4 years as an elementary counselor, and the next 5 years as a counselor and Guidance Director at MHS. The last 16 years of his 35-year career with the Coos Bay School District he served as Activity Director and advisor to Student Council at MHS.

During his high school and college years, Les played in a 1960's rock and roll band called the Pentatones. In 1997, Les formed a vocal doo-wop group called the Young Bucs, which continues to be active, playing for reunions, festivals, and conventions. Les and his wife, Becky have enjoyed staying involved in community theater, and since his retirement in 2002, Les has continued to serve as a volunteer with the MHS Community & Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The Les Engle Scholarship endowment was established by the fine people at Farr's Hardware, who thought that "The Farr's Guy", should have a scholarship in his name. (Les has been the face of the Farr's TV commercials/billboards/delivery trucks/newspaper ads since 2001)