The Lake Chelan Valley

The Lake Chelan Valley is a great place to visit, but an even greater place to call home. Locals love Lake Chelan because it’s a great place to raise a family, run a business and be part of a tightly knit community in a unique setting. Residents have a laid back attitude that reflects the unpretentious sophistication the Northwest is known for.

CLIMATE

Chelan’s arid climate and lack of rainfall make it a popular year-round destination among outdoor enthusiasts. The valley experiences over 300 days of sunshine annually and has four distinct seasons. Despite the area’s desert climate, agriculture abounds thanks to irrigation from the lake as well as the Columbia River.

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION
Chelan & Manson: 12 in.
Stehekin/Upper Valley: 35 in.

ANNUAL SNOWFALL: 39 in.

AVERAGE LAKE TEMPERATURE:
65-70 degrees year round

WINERIES

With over 200 acres of wine grapes and over 30 wineries, the Lake Chelan Valley is the ultimate wine-lovers vacation destination. The Lake Chelan Valley’s young and lively wine scene is attracting attention from winemakers, grape growers and wine enthusiasts from throughout the region. Lake Chelan was named Washington state’s 11th American Viticultural Area (AVA) in 2009.

AGRICULTURE

The shores of Lake Chelan are recognized for their world famous apples. Lake Chelan apples are known for their excellent taste, long shelf life and superior color. Between 9,000 and 10,000 acres of the Lake Chelan Valley are devoted to growing apples and other fruits. Although apples are the largest crop in the valley, cherries, pears, apricots, peaches and wine grapes are also produced.

TOURISM

Lake Chelan is fortunate to be a major destination resort in Washington State. The valley plays host to over 2 million visitors a year, creating a total economic impact of over $417 million. The tourism industry employs over 5,000 people in Chelan county and is Lake Chelan’s second largest industry cluster, second only to our world-renowned agricultural industry.
SCHOOLS

LAKE CHELAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
The Lake Chelan School District enrolls approximately 1,474 students in 6 different schools: Chelan High, Chelan Middle, Chelan Preparatory, Glacier Valley High, Holden Village Community, and Morgen Owings Elementary. District wide on time graduation rate is 76%. On time Chelan High School graduation rate is 93%.

   Classroom Teachers: 87
   Average Years of Teaching Experience: 14.1
   Teachers with Master Degrees: 60.5%

MANSON SCHOOL DISTRICT
The Manson School District enrolls approximately 698 students in 3 schools: Manson Elementary and Manson Junior Senior High School. On-time graduation rate is 91%.

   Classroom Teachers: 52
   Average Years of Teaching Experience: 11
   Teachers with Master Degrees: 65.9%

HOSPITALS & HEALTH CARE
Lake Chelan has more than 200 professionally trained healthcare providers, offering a full range of medical services. There are two medical clinics and a community hospital. Lake Chelan Community Hospital (LCCH) has been a valuable member of the community for more than 60 years. The hospital’s excellent family physicians and care team’s ability to partner with larger facilities ensures a full range of quality medical services close to home. Local services include childbirth, lab, radiology, surgery, home health and physical therapy, as well as paramedic-level emergency ambulance care.

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