

APRIL NEWSLETTER

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MISSED AN AUTOMATED CALL?

If you would like to hear the most recent recorded calls made to your phone, dial 1-877-737-5291 (1-877-REPLAY1) from the primary phone on which you receive calls from the district. You will hear a list of the most recent recorded messages sent to your phone.

ATTENDANCE

Missing school for any amount of time can have a negative impact on your student's learning, achievement and grades. When your child must be absent, be sure to let us know the reason for the absences. For absences of five or more days, we ask for a written note from your doctor.

Call 24-hours a day: 425-385-6905 Email: silverlakeattendance @everettsd.org



Silver Lake Elementary is **FRAGRANCE FREE** due to severe allergies.

| | | Calendar | | | |
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| April 6 Welcome Back! | 7 | 8 | 9 6:30 PM PTA Board Meeting & General Membership Meeting | 10 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal 17 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal Popcorn Friday (\$0.25) 6:00 PM PTA Bingo Night, Cafe | |
| 7:00 PM Eisenhower Family Night, IKE | 14 3rd Grade SBAC Testing 4:30 PM School Board Meeting, CRC | 15 3 rd Grade SBAC Testing | 16 3 rd Grade SBAC Testing | | |
| 20 3 rd Grade SBAC Testing | 21 3 rd Grade SBAC Testing | 22 4 th Grade SBAC Testing | 4 th Grade SBAC Testing 6:30 PM PTA Skate Night, Skate Deck | 24 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal | |
| 27 | 4:30 PM School Board Meeting, CRC | 29 4 th Grade SBAC Testing | 30 4 th Grade SBAC Testing | May 1 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal | |
| 4 6:30 PM Heatherwood Middle School, Family Night, HMS | 5 5 th Grade SBAC Testing | 6 5 th Grade SBAC Testing | 7 5 th Grade SBAC Testing | 8 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal | |
| 11 5 th Grade SBAC Testing | 12 5 th Grade SBAC Testing | 13 5 th Grade SBAC Testing (Possible) | 14 5th Grade SBAC Testing (Possible) 7:00 PM PTA Board Meeting | 15 5 th Grade SBAC Testing (Possible) LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 4 th Grade Field Trip | 21 | 22 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal | |
| 25 No School Memorial Day | 26 | 27 | 28 6:15 PM Family Reading Night, Library | 29 LIF 2:10 PM Dismissal | |

SMARTER BALANCED ASSESSMENTS START THIS WEEK! Your child needs to be at school all day - each day!

Testing affects grades 3-5.

If students are absent on a testing day their absence will be unexcused. The Principal will review each individual absence to determine whether to excuse the absence and may require a conference prior to excusing an absence.

CAT = Computer Adaptive Test
In-Class = Instructional Activity (Taught by Classroom Teacher)
PT = Performance Task

| | ELA | | | Math | | Science |
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| Grade 3 | April 14 CAT 1 CAT 2 | April 15 In-Class PT 1 | April 16 PT 2 | April 20 CAT 1 CAT 2 | April 21 In-Class PT 1 | N/A |
| Grade 4 | April 28 CAT 1 CAT 2 | April 29 In-Class PT 1 | April 30 PT 2 | April 22 CAT 1 CAT 2 | April 23 In-Class PT 1 | N/A |
| Grade 5 | May 5 CAT 1 CAT 2 | May 6 In-Class PT 1 | May 7 PT 2 | May 11 CAT 1 CAT 2 | May 12 In-Class PT 1 | TBD Possibly May 13-15 |

Learn about Smarter Balanced assessments – take a practice test!

The Washington Comprehensive Assessment Program* (WCAP) portal now has a portal just for you.

The Student and Families portal has resources and information about the new Smarter Balanced assessments. Try out the practice and training tests online or download the secure browser to experience all of the possible test features such as text-to-speech and ASL. The practice and training tests require a current Web browser like Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, Microsoft Internet Explorer 10 or Apple Safari.

Did you know?

Lots of valuable information about how our school is helping students achieve is available online. Our *School Performance Report* is linked directly from our school's home page. (Look under *QuickLinks* for a link to *OSPI Washington State School Report Card.*) At that site you can browse through historical performance data for more than a decade – for any school in the district or the state. By following the prompts on that OSPI website, you can also find current and historical data aggregated at the district level.

LOST AND FOUND

Please have your student make sure they know where their outerwear is before we clear out the winter lost and found. We will be donating all the lost and found hats, gloves and coats that are not claimed from our lost and found in the school cafeteria near the end of April.

~ ECEAP PRESCHOOL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR ~

Everett Public Schools Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP) is a FREE preschool program for income-eligible families with children four years of age. ECEAP prepares children for kindergarten and provides family support and health and nutrition services. It is funded by the Washington State Department of Early Learning. The five ECEAP sites within our school district are located at Garfield, Hawthorne, Lowell, Madison and Silver Lake elementary schools.

For a screening application or more information, please call 425-385-4628.

Get Connected! Stay Informed! Feel Welcome!

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Search for Silver Lake Elementary PTA or our # 85175.

The percentage donated back to the school varies according to how much you spend, but with many families participating, the funds quickly add up. Enrollment must occur each school year - so please be sure to re-enroll.

Rewards Customers still get the Rewards Points, Fuel Points and Rebates. This is a separate program and in addition to all of these other great benefits.

Capital facilities planning "fishbowl" conversations

Speak, listen, observe, learn and reflect with the school board this spring:

- 1. April 28, 6:30 p.m. at Cascade High School a fishbowl conversation about capital facilities needs.
- 2. May 5, 6:30 p.m. at Jackson High School another capital facilities fishbowl conversation.
- 3. May 19, 6:30 p.m. at Everett High School the third in the series of fishbowl conversations about capital facilities.

School board meeting videos are online and easy to scan section-by-section. To see board meeting videos by agenda item, follow these easy five steps:

- 1. Go to BoardDocs
- 2. Click "Enter public site"
- 3. Select "meetings"
- 4. Choose the date of the meeting you want to view
- 5. Click on "Watch video" icon

Where is the 2015-2016 calendar?

The calendar for next school year is part of the negotiations process with the teachers' bargaining unit. Negotiations for that contract will begin in April. During negotiations, the school calendar will be established. The district will use the website, email, phone and text messaging system as well as media announcements to announce the calendar when contract negotiations are complete.

Attention 5th Grade Families

Attending Eisenhower Middle School

TONIGHT

Monday, April 13th @ 7:00 to 8:00 PM in the COMMONS of

Eisenhower Middle School

10200-25th Ave SE, Everett, WA 425-385-7500

Learn about your new school, meet teachers and staff, get answer to questions about middle school and about courses and pathways.

JOIN US FOR



PTA Bingo Night

Friday, April 17th 6:00 pm Silver Lake Elementary Café

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PTA Skate Night



Thursday, April 23rd 6:30 pm Everett Skate Deck on 19th Ave SE just North of Winco Foods



Eflyers about student activities are now online & in your email

STUDENT DRESS AND APPEARANCE

Student dress will be regulated to preserve a beneficial learning environment and to assure the safety and well-being of all students. Dress which presents a health or safety hazard, damages school property, or which creates a material and substantial disruption of the education process is prohibited as per Everett Public Schools policy 3224.

Students will wear appropriate school attire, including shoes. Appropriate attire shall exclude any type of dress or manner of grooming which school officials reasonably believe would disrupt or interfere with the school environment, activities and/or educational process. The following are not permitted:

- 1. Attire that shows or displays undergarments; inadequately covers breasts, midriff, buttocks, or thighs; displays obscene, sexual, drug or alcohol related messages; or displays gang-related symbolism.
- 2. Any clothing that would create, in fact, an atmosphere in which a student, staff member, or other person's well-being is hindered by undue pressure, behavior, intimidation, overt gesture or threat of violence.

These standards will be applied in a consistent and nondiscriminatory manner. Students who violate these standards will be asked to find alternate clothing available in the Health Room. If an acceptable solution cannot be found at school, parents will be contacted. Continued offenses may be subject to progressive discipline.

Students are expected to come to school well groomed and neatly and appropriately dressed. Your child should be prepared to participate in the day's activities, including gym and recess. Clothing should allow for normal child type play – running, kneeling, etc., and should be appropriate for the weather.

Any student, parent or guardian who is aggrieved by corrective action or discipline for dress code violations may appeal according to procedures in the Student Rights and Responsibilities policy 3200.

STUDENT CLOTHING

Hats: Hats, bandanas and hoods are to be removed while inside the building.

Shoes: Shoes must be worn at all times. High heels and flip flops are not safe, therefore are not to be worn to school. Please help you child make good, safe choices for school. Athletic shoes are needed for PE days.

Pants/shorts/skirts: Pants must be secured at the waist and cover the stomach and underwear. Shorts and skirts must reach below the child's fingertips when his/her arms are extended downward. No cut-off shorts or boxer shorts are allowed.

Tops: Shirts and tank tops must cover the shoulders (at least three fingers wide) no spaghetti straps, no racer-backs showing bra straps) and be long enough to cover the mid-section of the body. Other shirts that should not be worn are as follows: see-through blouses or shirts, half-shirts or halter tops, bare midriffs, t-shirts with inappropriate or suggestive logos, language or pictures.

Make-up: Make-up is not permitted.

Fragrance: Perfumes, fragrances and other scented products pose a serious health concern at our school; therefore we must ask that you completely refrain from wearing these to our campus.

No cosmetics, artificial

No open-toed

shoes or sandals

DRESS CODE

No sunglasses No hats inside. Hats ok outside with the bill forward. Shoulder straps must be 1" No bare back or see-through clothing inappropriate images Shorts and pants must not sag. Shorts must have a 4" No long dresses or skirts unless wearing leggings.

No skate shoes/heelies with

or without the heel insert.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Ways to Help Your Kids Get a Good Night's Sleep | Common Sense Media

Encourage physical activity instead of screen time after school. After a long day at school, many kids just want to plop down in front of a computer or TV and veg out. Although kids definitely deserve a break, <u>studies show</u> that increasing physical activity during the day can lead to better sleep.

Keep devices off the bed. It's possible that <u>the blue light emitted from laptops</u>, <u>tablets</u>, <u>and smartphones</u> interrupts sleep patterns. Set up other comfy spots in the living room or on the bedroom floor for tweens and teens to do computer work or just enjoy their screen time.

Limit young kids' exposure to violent content. Especially for kids under 8, seeing violence in videos, on TV shows, in video games, and in movies <u>can directly affect quality sleep</u>. Exposure to media violence can increase kids' anxiety and lead to nightmares that interrupt the sleep cycle.

FROM THE HANDBOOK

Cell Phones

At Silver Lake Elementary we recognize that students may have cell phones. Per Board Policy 3246P, personal electronic devices (PEDs), such as cell phones, tablets, and other mobile devices are integral tools in our society. They serve as a means of communication (telephone, email, text, etc.), a calendar, camera, organizational tool, a clock, information gathering/research tool, electronic book, note taker, dictation device, music provider, a student engagement tool and many other purposes. It is recognized that many of these purposes are useful in an educational setting. **At the elementary level, cell phones can also be very disruptive to the learning environment.** Therefore, if a student has a cell phone at school then it is to remain turned off and kept in their backpack. Failure to comply with this school policy may result in confiscation of the cell phone/electronic until such a time when a parent/guardian can pick it up or as determined by the classroom teacher/principal.

- Students are NOT allowed to videotape or take pictures with their cell phone at any time. Failure to comply with this policy will result in immediate disciplinary action as determined by the principal and the parent/guardians of all students involved (directly and indirectly) will be contacted.
- **Student use of cell phones is not allowed between 9:15 A.M. and 3:25 P.M.** This includes calls, texting, entertainment, and the use of camera/video features.
- **Student use of cell phones is not allowed on the Bus.** This includes calls, texting, entertainment, and the use of camera/video features.

Students needing to contact their parent/guardian during the school day will receive permission, from a staff member, to use the student emergency phone in the office. Silver Lake Elementary staff and Everett Public Schools are not responsible for lost, damaged or broken cell phones.

Electronic Devices

Personal gaming devices, Game Boys, PSPs, IPod's, MP3 players, cameras, CD players, and similar electronic devices **are not allowed to be shown and/or shared at school**. Some students may choose to bring a small, handheld game or music device with headphones to be used after school however this needs to be pre-arranged with the student's teacher and may not be taken out of the student's backpack at school due to the disruptions they can cause. If a student is using one of these electronic devices at school, the item will be taken and secured in the office and we will require a parent/guardian to pick it up.

Telephone/Messages

All messages to students must come to the school office by **3:00 p.m.** in order to assure their delivery to students before the end of the school day.

Volunteer Opportunities!

Your Silver Lake PTA, along with all the programs & events your PTA supports, is run entirely by volunteers!

Please consider helping out in any way you can. Even if you only have time to help for one hour, during one event, your PTA needs all the help you can give.

Do you work during the day, but have an hour in the evening when you could volunteer from home? Every minute helps, and every minute is appreciated.

Raegan Fisher: PTA Secretary & Volunteer Coordinator | sleptasecretary@gmail.com

All Volunteers and PTA Volunteers must have a cleared Everett School District background check on file.

Pick up an application in the school office or apply online at: http://www.everettsd.org/domain/1452

Background checks must be renewed every 3 years.

Updated Nondiscrimination Statement

Everett Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

Affirmative Action Office – Carol Stolz, cstolz@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106

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