

Hawthorne Hawk News

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From the Principal

Dear Hawthorne Families!

Congratulations to students, families, and staff on completing the first semester of the 2022-2023 school year. It takes a community to ensure that each student can access their education. Thank you to the parent volunteers who have been helping in classrooms and with after school events. As we enter the second half of our school year, it is a great time to reflect, set new goals, and focus on student achievement.

Student achievement has two main parts at Hawthorne. We strive to help students demonstrate continuous improvement and hopefully obtain grade level proficiency. Teachers will be utilizing their data from the first half of the year to reorganize their learning groups, communicate success and concerns to families in the March conferences. If you have concerns, I highly encourage you to reach out to your student's teacher. The best way to support your child is to have them read every night for at least 20 minutes, practice basic math facts, and make sure they are at school every possible day to learn.

During the month of February, we will be once again hosting some parent focus groups to get more information about family engagement, instruction and after school opportunities for students. If you are interested in participating, please reach out by calling the main office at (425)385-4600. If you are unable to attend a parent focus group, please complete the parent survey that will be sent out at the end of the month. We are here to serve your child and you. Your voice matters to us.

We are eager to start the second half of our school year. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing families and students this Friday at the PTA sponsored Family Skate night at Angels of the Wind arena.

Thank you,
Jacob Ellsworth

Positive Discipline Parenting Night

Thursday, February 9, 5:30-6:30

Parents are children's first teachers. Come learn some tips and ideas from Kelsey Kraupa of ChildStrive and learn about what their program "Parents as Teachers" has to offer. We'll be talking about how to use positive discipline to help our children succeed. ChildStrive works with children 0-5 years old, but the information is useful to parents of children of all ages.

Feb. 1

Natural Leaders Meeting
9:00-10:00am

Feb. 3

Free Ice Skating with the PTA
Everett Community Ice Rink
6:30-7:30pm

Learning Improvement Friday
1:35 Dismissal

Feb. 6

NO SCHOOL
Teacher Workday

Feb. 9

HAWKS Pride Assembly
9:00am K-2
9:30am 3-5

Positive Discipline Parenting
5:30-6:30pm

Feb. 10

Learning Improvement Friday
1:35 Dismissal

Feb. 16

BINGO Night

Feb. 17

Learning Improvement Friday
1:35 Dismissal

Feb. 20 & 21

NO SCHOOL
Mid Winter Break

Feb. 23

PTA Meeting
6:00-7:00pm

Feb. 24

Learning Improvement Friday
1:35 Dismissal



Hawthorne PTA presents Night On The Ice!

Join us Friday, February 3, 2023 from 6:30-7:30 pm at the Everett Community Ice Rink (Angel Of the Winds Arena). This is a free event for Hawthorne students, families, and staff. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Fun on the ice ends promptly at 7:30 pm.

- Free admission
- Free skate rental
- Free walkers (Limited amount)
- Concessions available for purchase
- **Arrive 15-30 minutes early to get your skates on**

Attendance Reminders:

We look forward to seeing your child at school at 8:30am, for a successful start to the day! Regular school attendance is important for learning and community building. Please report your child's absence by calling or emailing the school as soon as possible. If your child arrives after 8:50am please walk them into the building and sign them in at the office. If your child arrives after 9:10 please note that they will be considered absent for half the day. If you are invited to an attendance meeting, please prioritize the date and call the if you need to reschedule.

If you need assistance or if you would like recommendations on how to help ensure your child's regular school attendance, please contact your child's teacher, or our school counselor. We look forward to continuing to partner with you and your family.

Attendance Email: HAEAttendance@everettsd.org

Attendance Line: 425-385-4605

Save the Date for Multicultural Night 2023

Plans are underway for our annual Multicultural celebration.

This fun filled event will take place on **March 6 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM** with displays, food, music, and dance that represent Hawthorne's rich diversity and cultural vibrancy. If you would like to share a part of your family's heritage, please sign-up online: <https://forms.gle/UiM7TKmPLihPEdJJ9>, scan the QR code, or contact RAllen@everettsd.org.



From the Nurse:

Lock. It. Up. Lock what up? Medications.

Did you know that every year tens of thousands of children are hospitalized after taking medication not intended for them? And, even more tragically, a small number of those children die. These horrific numbers include toddlers tempted by colorful pills that look like candy and older teens using prescription medications for recreational use.

Here are some tips for reducing the risk in your own home:

Any medication (with or without a prescription) taken in the wrong way or by the wrong person can cause serious harm, or even death.

When should you use a lock box for your medications?



- If you have **any sort of prescription** (even be cautious of medication patches that are discarded in the trash—these can be harmful to a child)
- If you have **over-the-counter medications**
- If you take **vitamins or supplements**, as these can cause harm if taken in large doses. An example is iron overdose— one of the leading causes of poisoning in children six years and older.
- If you have **children or grandchildren**. “Childproof” lids reduce risk, but do not eliminate the possibility that a small child will figure out how to open it.
- If you have a **pet who has prescriptions**

What can you do keep children in your home as safe as possible?

- **Put medicines and vitamins up and away, and out of children’s reach and sight.** Children are curious and have been known to put ANYTHING in their mouths. Pick a storage location that your children cannot see or reach.
- **Put medicines away EVERY time.** NEVER leave a medication on the counter or bedside.
- **Make sure the safety cap is locked**, but don’t rely on this as your only safety mechanism. Children may be able to open these, too.
- **Teach your children about medicine safety.** Explain that if taken incorrectly and/or by the wrong person, medication can be deadly. Teach your kiddos the intended purpose of medications and why it’s important they only take medications from a trusted adult. Don’t call medication “candy.”
- **Ask visiting family members and friends to ensure their medications are locked/safe from children as well.**
- **Be prepared in case of an emergency.** Call your poison control center at **800.222.1222 IMMEDIATELY** if you think your child might have gotten into a medicine or vitamin, even if you are not completely sure. It is much better to be safe than sorry. Consider SAVING the Poison Control Number in to your cell phone.
- **Want to learn more?** Visit the [Up & Away Campaign](#) to learn more!

Educate others! Share this information with family and friends.

Sources include: <https://www.cdc.gov/medicationsafety/protect/campaign.html> & the Up & Away Campaign linked above

Enrollment for kindergarten opens on March 6!

Will your child be 5 years old by August 31? On March 6, you can complete your child’s online enrollment for kindergarten. An easy and quick process as detailed in the [step-by-step parent walkthrough video](#) available in multiple languages on our website www.everettsd.org/kindergartenenrollment. You can also enroll in-person at your neighborhood school.



Enrolling early in March will ensure invitations to your school’s kindergarten events and participation in Everett Ready, a transition-into-kindergarten program offered for one week in August to all enrolled kindergarteners.

A **Kindergarten Enrollment - Kick-Off Webinar** will be held on Thursday, February 23, 2023, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Join us to meet the Superintendent and learn about Kindergarten in EPS. Information with a link to the webinar will be available on our website www.everettsd.org and www.everettsd.org/kindergarten by February 15.

EPS offers the following **Choice Programs** beginning in kindergarten— early enrollment is recommended as space is limited. Click on the links to receive additional information on the programs:

- [Lighthouse Cooperative](#) – Housed at Jefferson Elementary School
This K-5 program features standard district curriculum with an overlay of parent involvement via weekly classroom volunteering and support for enrichment activities such as field trips and parent-led specialty lessons.
- [Dual Language Spanish Immersion Program](#) – Located at Emerson Elementary School



Students are immersed in the Spanish language and culture with the majority of instruction being in Spanish. Priority will be given to students within the Emerson Elementary school attendance area. If a high number of students apply, a lottery will be conducted to select students.

- [Port Gardner Parent Partnership](#) – located on Sequoia High School Campus
Parents/guardians are the primary educators of their children with support from classroom teachers in order to access curriculum materials and resources.

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your student to kindergarten!

Did you know?

Every year OSPI publishes a report card for each district and each school within the district. You can [access the 2021-22 data](#) on the OSPI website.

To review the data for the school district or a school, start typing in the name and a drop box will appear with choices. Select your choice to view the report card.

Optionally you can select 'See all schools and districts' and navigate to the district or school you want to select.

Calendar reminder

February 20-21 is mid-winter break.



High School and Middle School Summer Academy

Registration for Everett Public Schools High School and Middle School Summer Academy starts Monday, March 13.

High School Summer Academy includes district-facilitated credit recovery courses and credit advancement opportunities. In addition, career exploration, mentorship and internships are available through Everett Career Link.

Middle School Summer Academy focuses on exciting and engaging math and English Language Arts content for current 5th through 7th grade students. Academic lessons include math problem-solving and foundations as well as literature through close reading and novel studies, to help students build foundational skills needed for the next year.

High School and Middle School Summer Academy classes are located at Cascade High School and are scheduled for July 10 – 28, 2023. In-person summer programming is free to in-district students. Transportation and meals are provided.



In addition to in-person programming, online classes for high school students are hosted through OnlineHS.net. Online classes are scheduled for June 26 - August 3, 2023; tuition is \$350 per class for in-district students and \$450 per class for out-of-district students. Scholarships are available based on need. For more information or to register for classes, please visit <https://www.everettsd.org/domain/2422>.

Crosswalk safety reminder

Drive smart. Keep kids safe. It is important to be extra cautious this time of year when it is darker in the mornings and late afternoons. Make sure everyone gets home safely by staying alert, slowing down and following all traffic laws and signals.

Drivers:

- Eliminate distractions – put your phones down and keep your eyes on the road.
- Pedestrians can be unpredictable. Be alert at all times and don't assume they see you.
- Be extra cautious early in the morning, at night and in rainy weather.

Students:

- Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and use intersections with crossing guards.
- Cross the street in a designated crosswalk. Be extra careful in rainy, foggy, or snowy weather.
- Always look left, then right, then left again before crossing a street and allow enough time to cross the street safely.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing the street. Never assume a driver sees you.
- Don't be distracted by electronic devices that take your eyes and ears off the road.



Parent safety tip

Six ways your student can protect their online identities:

1. Share carefully – don't give out any personal information to unknown sites or strangers
2. Go private – keep privacy settings high and limit location services when possible
3. Log out – especially after using shared computers
4. Mix up passwords – use different passwords for different apps and websites
5. Avoid clickbait – avoid quizzes and random questionnaires
6. Choose wisely – pick an appropriate username



Learn more about online safety, digital wellness, cell phones and learning with technology with age-specific tips and tools on www.commonsemmedia.org.



National School Counseling Week

The week of February 6 to 10 is National School Counseling Week and highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

We love our counselors!



Do you have a student receiving special education?

Did you know there is a Special Education PTSA in the district? The Special Education PTSA serves students, families and educators involved in Special Education. They encourage students, families, educators and community members to work collaboratively to provide programs and activities recognizing each student's potential and enhancing the educational opportunities of children receiving and/or seeking special services in our district. Connect with the SEPTSA on [their Facebook page](#).



Remember to vote

Please remember to vote by February 14, 2023.



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