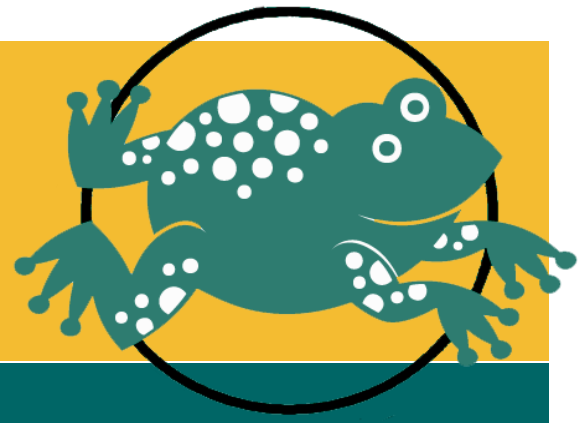


# Penny Creek Frog News

PENNY CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal

Dear Penny Creek Families:

Today we held our final PRIDE assembly for the year. We recognized students for the letter E in PRIDE—which stands for Everyone Cares. We also recognized students who have been fantastic participants in learning during this time of school closure. Beyond recognizing these outstanding students, we shared a video of students videotaping themselves via Flipgrid, explaining how they care for others at home. Their videos reveal what beautiful and thoughtful children attend Penny Creek Elementary and it assures us that the future is in good hands. Click [HERE](#) to view the video.

As we conclude this school year, we want to thank you for your partnership with us. Every year we need you, but this has been especially true this year. We know you have had extra duties managing your homes and your work schedules, on top of supporting your children's education. Thank you very much for all the support of your children.

At this time, we are unsure of the exact form school will take in September. We are hopeful that in time, we will return to the regular classroom setting. Penny Creek will follow Governor Inslee's directives, and communicate to you as soon as we know this information. Also, we are planning for the unique supports our students will need when we return to school in the fall. Our staff will attend to our student's social emotional needs as well as meet them where they are academically.

Until then, stay safe and well.

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## Student Belongings Pick Up

If you missed our Student Belonging pick up days, please send a message to the office at [PennyCreek@everettsd.org](mailto:PennyCreek@everettsd.org) to arrange for a day to come by the building to pick up your student items.

## COVID-19 Coronavirus webpage



Stay informed by visiting the COVID-19 Coronavirus webpage [www.everettsd.org/COVID-19](http://www.everettsd.org/COVID-19). Here, you will find messaging to families, information on family tech support, learning engagement, Class of 2020 support, helpful resources, FAQ's and more related to school building closure.

## What will the 2020-21 school year look like?

Thank you for understanding the complexity of decisions for the fall. Right now, we are focused on finishing the school year well, and are following the guidance of OSPI and the state for developing plans for the fall. Realistically, with the current unknowns, we won't be able to finalize a plan until early August.

## Essential item pick-up

We understand your student may still have personal items at their school which are essential to continue their learning from home, such as calculators, books or medications. Schools will be conducting personal item pick-up days in late-May for families to collect your student's essential items, which will be pre-bagged and labeled by staff. You will receive more specific information on pick-up times from your school next week, but the dates are: elementary schools, May 26 and 27; middle and high schools, May 28 and 29.

There will be a second parent pick-up event at our schools on select dates between June 12-19 for families to collect any remaining student items and to return library books, textbooks, musical instruments, etc. More information about the June pick-up events will be shared with parents in the coming weeks.

## When does school end this year?

June 5 is not an early release day but will follow the current modified structure.

Learning Improvement Fridays (LIF) are suspended through June 19 to follow the current modified structure.

June 19 is the new last day of school. June 12 is the last day for seniors.



## Stuff the Bus is coming!

With the support of our generous community, the Everett Public Schools Foundation is hosting its 11th annual Stuff the Bus for Kids school supply drive. Last year the Foundation delivered over 1,900 backpacks to students and hope to deliver the same number this year. Look for collection bins at local businesses during the month of August and look for big yellow Durham school buses parked outside Fred Meyer in Mill Creek and QFC on Evergreen Way Aug. 14-16. For questions, please contact Kirsten Hansen at [khansen@everettsd.org](mailto:khansen@everettsd.org).



## Kindergarten Enrollment (Class of 2033)



If your child will be five years old by August 31, 2020, it is time to enroll for kindergarten! Online enrollment is available at [www.everettsd.org](http://www.everettsd.org). Enroll now to access information about your school's kindergarten program and receive a parent resource and children's book "Kindergarten, Here I Come!" Enrollment also reserves your child's spot in *Everett Ready*, our transition-into-kindergarten program scheduled for August 17-21, at our elementary schools. Contact [EarlyLearning@everettsd.org](mailto:EarlyLearning@everettsd.org) with any questions.

To find out which school your kindergartener will attend, click on Path Finder on the district's transportation webpage or call the transportation office at 425-385-4144.

## Vaccinations for next year

Now is the time to plan for the vaccinations your child will need before he or she enrolls next fall. We encourage you to obtain these vaccinations this school year and report them to the school nurse or office staff at your child's school. We'll track that information in the school database, which will help you avoid getting calls and overdue letters in the fall. More information can be found on the district's [immunizations webpage](#).

## Summer school

Everett Public Schools offers a variety of summer learning opportunities. Summer programs for high school students include opportunities to strengthen the skills and knowledge required for the district core expectations, repeat courses, extend their interests in academic areas, and take new courses. Tuition-based summer programs are offered for students through Online High School. Elementary and middle school summer programs are available for specific students who need academic support.



## Summer Reading Program

Everett Public Schools looks forward to another successful year of its summer reading program. Please watch your school's website for details about this summer's reading program.



## School supply lists

Looking to get a jump start on next year's school supplies this summer? You can find the school supply list on your school's website under *Our School* around the last week of school.

## Summer meals

Did you know that all children ages 1-18 can participate in the summer meal program? Summer meals will start on June 22nd at select locations and times. Find more details on the [Food and Nutrition Department website](#).

## The 2020 capital projects bond



Now, more than ever, schools are the heart of our community. Investing in our schools continues our focus on not only academics, but the well-being of every student in our district. Schools are a community resource and they need to be invested in.

Due to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, on March 24, 2020 the school board approved Resolution 1228 postponing the April 28 bond proposition until a future time to be determined by the board.

On May 5, the school board approved Resolution 1230 to place the unchanged \$317.4 million bond proposition on the August 4, 2020 special election ballot.

The 2020 bond focuses on STEM, Safety, Equity and Space.

To find out more details on all of the bond 2020 projects, visit [www.everettsd.org/bond2020](http://www.everettsd.org/bond2020).

**Please remember to vote on August 4, 2020**



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