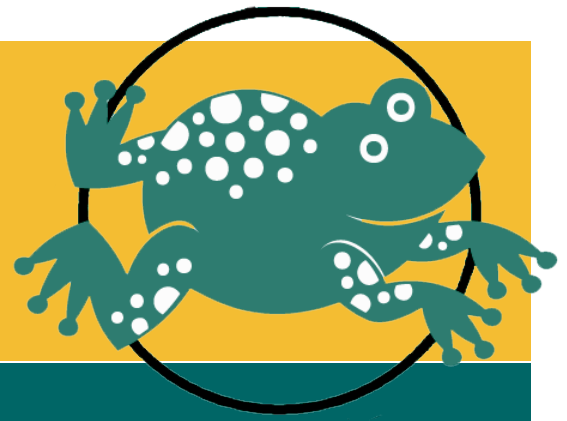


Penny Creek Frog News

PENNY CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Dear Penny Creek Families:

Fall is definitely upon us. The daylight shortens, and the temperature drops. In classrooms, however, student learning and participation is moving forward. I have so enjoyed my “visits” to classrooms via Zoom the last few weeks. Children in all grade levels have become adept at utilizing computer technology and navigating numerous technology platforms simultaneously to participate in learning. I understand that technology glitches occur, often unexpected and we don’t always understand what happens. However, the persistence students, teachers, and parents demonstrate daily is making a positive difference.

Recently, students, staff and families took the Panorama survey. (See overall results below). We are pleased to see strong increases in teacher student relationships and students sense of belonging. We are continually working at making our community more inclusive and equitable for all. We have room to grow; however, your partnership helps us learn and improve.

Recently, Mrs. Kirkpatrick and I have begun meeting with a group of parents representing some of the diverse backgrounds of Penny Creek. Our purpose is to learn how education experiences for these families and their children are similar and different from that of Penny Creek. We also want to learn about what we can do better, to assure all children feel that their culture and background are valued and respected in the classroom and throughout our school. We plan to bring our learning and parent voices to a staff meeting later this year.

If you have any questions or would like to talk with Mrs. Kirkpatrick or me further about the work of making our school more equitable and inclusive, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Marti Shefvland

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[**Technology Support**](#)

[**Parent Resources**](#)

[**Parent University**](#)

[**Remote Learning Meals**](#)

[**Student Tools Webpage**](#)

November 6, 13, 20
Learning Improvement Fridays

November 5
Student Materials Pick Up for ALL
Grade Levels 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Please click [HERE](#) for more details.

November 11
NO School – Veteran’s Day

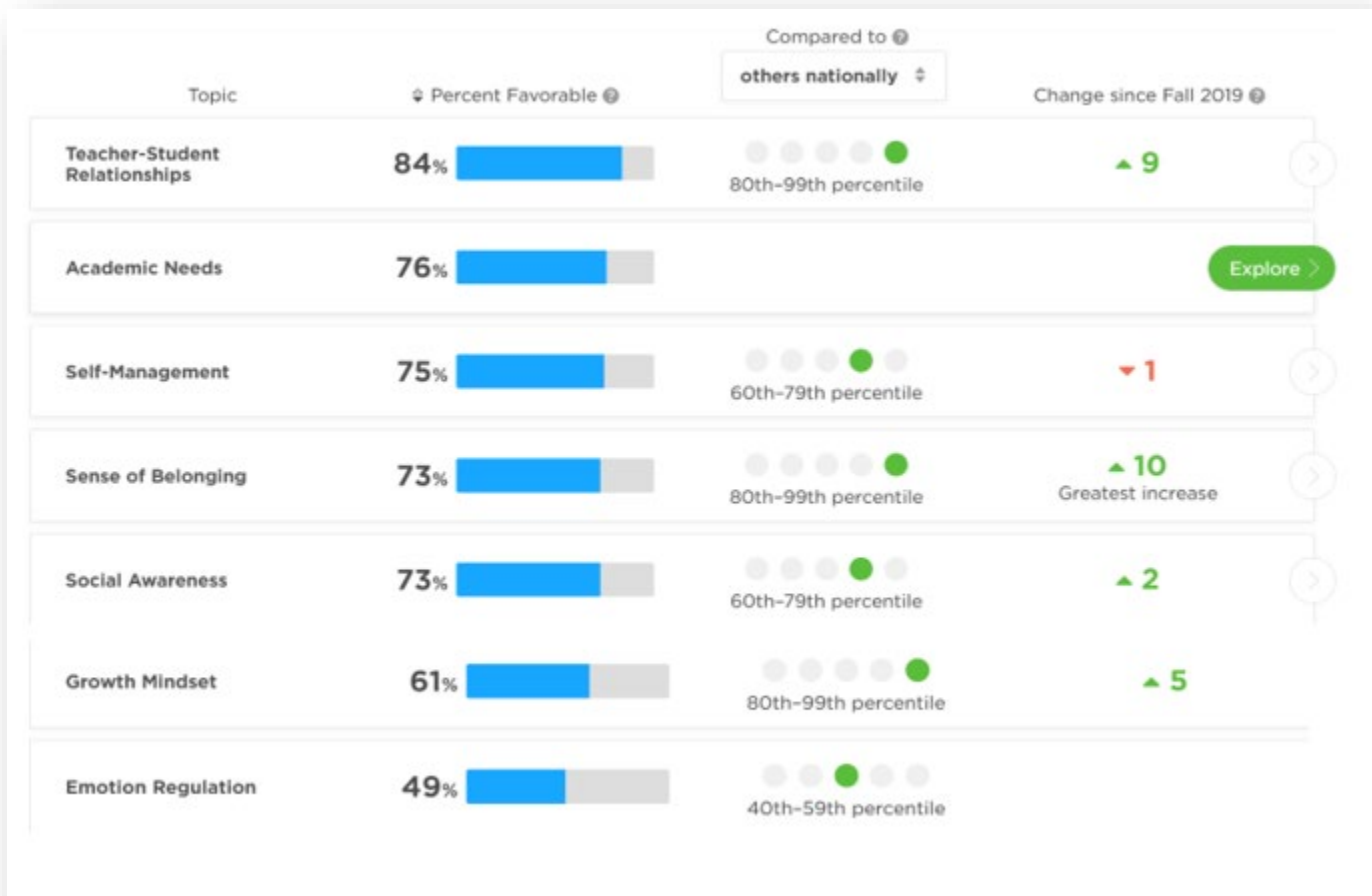
November 16
Let’s Connect with Dr. Sally
Lancaster 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

November 25
Student’s dismissed at 1 p.m. –
Early Release Day

November 26-27
NO School for students –
Thanksgiving Break



Panorama Survey Results



November Student Materials Pick Up

Student materials pick up is on **Thursday, November 5**. PCE Families will be invited to come by the school anytime between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m. Materials for First through Fifth grade will be available during this timeframe. Students will also receive prizes from the Mathquarade Events.

Please click [HERE](#) for the materials pick up map with information from the Mathquarade Events.



Penny Creek Attendance Corner

If your student is absent from school, please email the teacher **and** the attendance office at pceattendance@everettsd.org to let us know the reason for the absence. Notifications to the office need to arrive within 30 days of the absence. After that time, the absences will be considered unexcused for no contact. There is also a direct link on our webpage at: <https://www.everettsd.org/pennycreek>.

Did you have a medical appointment for your child, or they were sick, and you brought them to the doctor? If so, make sure to ask for a medical note that you can email to the attendance office. Those absences can then be coded as a medical excuse.



Suggestions to solve computer challenges

- One of the best starting strategies to clear the browser cache.
 - Please click [HERE](#) for the instructions.
- Next best step is to fully shut down the computer by selecting the shutdown command and letting the machine turn off. Waiting a minute with it off and then turning it back on.
- If using a tool that has a google account log in, make certain you have logged out of any personal google accounts on that device or try incognito mode.

Native American History Month

November is Native American History Month. What started at the turn of the century as an effort to gain a day of recognition for the significant contributions the first Americans made to the establishment and growth of the U.S., has resulted in a whole month being designated for that purpose.

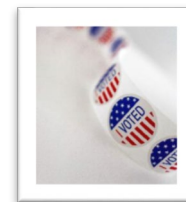
Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 1, 2020, Daylight Savings Time Ends and we “fall back” one hour.



Remember to vote Nov. 3

Remember to deliver your ballot to a ballot drop box near you or put it in the mail by Nov. 3 – postage is not required for ballots.



School performance report

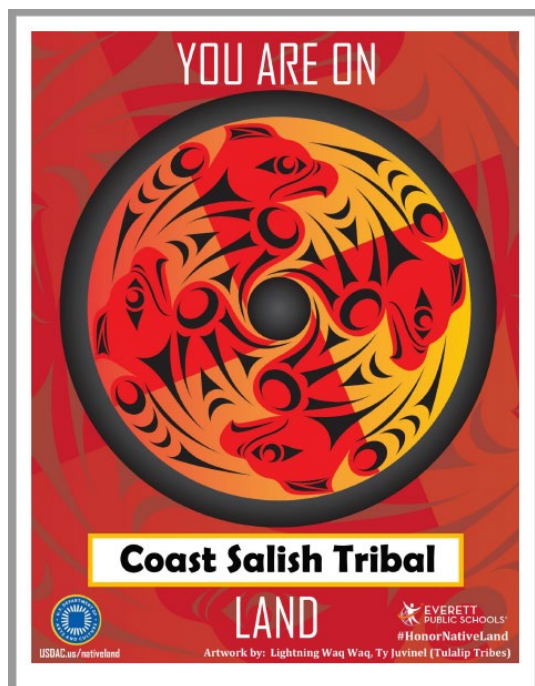
Our school’s performance report is available online on each school’s website. More information is available on the [Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction website](#). Click on “State Report Card” and select Everett from the list of districts.

Let’s Connect

You are invited to connect with district leaders and engage in conversation on November 16 from 5-6 p.m. (topic to be determined). We want to hear from you and hope you can attend a zoom meeting to share your thoughts. Please check your email for an invitation to connect with your school’s regional superintendent and other district leaders. Be sure to check your email, RSVP required to receive the link for the zoom meeting. Let’s Connect!



Land acknowledgement



In the district’s sustained work to build a culture of inclusive belonging for students, teachers, staff and the community, we join local, state, national and international efforts to acknowledge Native land.

According to the U.S. Department of Arts and Culture, “In countries such as Canada, New Zealand and Australia, it is commonplace, even policy, to open events and gatherings by acknowledging the traditional Indigenous inhabitants of that land.” Our Equity & Access Department encourages opening school and district events with this impactful Native land acknowledgment:

“We respectfully acknowledge that we gather today on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish Peoples, who have lived in the Salish Sea basin, the San Juan Islands, and the North Cascades watershed since time immemorial. You are on Coast Salish Tribal Land.”

Learn more at Everett Public Schools Equity & Access [webpage](#) or at www.usdac.us/nativeland.

Childcare Support

Snohomish County is offsetting a portion of childcare costs, in partnership with two nonprofits through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

In cooperation with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Snohomish County and YMCA – Snohomish County, please [share this information](#) and visit their [FAQs](#) page and [Child Care Locator Map](#).



Is your family prepared?



[Snohomish County Emergency Management](#) has helpful online resources to help you create, and practice emergency response plans with your family and neighborhood in preparation for bad weather.



Social Media Directory

Follow our social media sites including school pages, district pages, teachers, clubs, and student groups. Stay connected to learn all the latest news!

Not sure your school has social media? Visit our [social media directory](#) for a list of accounts.



Online safety tips

- Keep the computer in a busy area of your home.
- Use an app to keep an eye on your child's online activity on their device.
- Talking about cyberbullying; ask if someone they know has been a victim. Ask if they have been victimized.
- Set up email and social media accounts with your children. Know their screen names and passwords and explain the reasons for not including any personal information in profiles.

Know who is in the "buddy lists." Get to know the cyberfriends as well as you do those who visit your home. Parents and guardians may find the following resources helpful to begin a conversation about the dangers of engaging in cyberbullying and how to stay safe online:

- [Stop Bullying Now](#)
- [Ms. Parry's Guide to Correct Online Etiquette](#)
- [Common Sense Media](#)

Find out what Everett Public Schools students learn about digital citizenship on the district [Learning Management Services website](#).



FAFSA season has begun!

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is an office of the U.S. Department of Education. FAFSA coordinates with postsecondary schools and financial institutions to help students and families pay for college. Watch for FAFSA completion events happening around the district. Find more information at www.fafsa.ed.gov.



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• **Title IX/Civil Rights Compliance Officer:**

• Mary O'Brien
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Below is the Spanish Version of District Content Newsletter Articles:

Mes de la Historia de los Indígenas Americanos

El mes de noviembre es el mes de la historia de los indígenas americanos. Lo que inició al inicio del siglo como un esfuerzo para obtener un día de reconocimiento por las significantes contribuciones hechas por los pueblos originarios americanos al establecimiento del crecimiento de los Estados Unidos, ha resultado en un mes completo designado para ese propósito.

Se termina el horario de verano

El 1 de noviembre de 2020, el horario de verano se termina y retrasamos el reloj una hora.



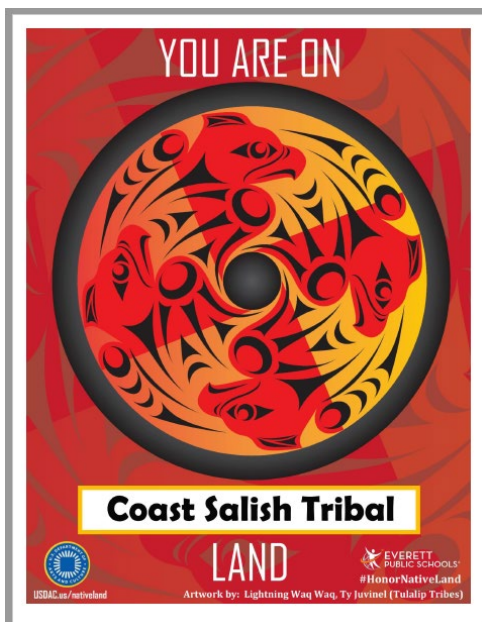
Recuerde votar el 3 de noviembre

Recuerde entregar su boleta en una urna buzón para boletas de votos cerca de usted o enviarla por correo antes del 3 de noviembre. No se requiere de estampillas postales para enviar las boletas.





Reconocimiento territorial



En el trabajo sostenido del distrito para construir una cultura de pertenencia inclusiva para los estudiantes, maestros, personal y la comunidad, nos unimos a los esfuerzos locales, estatales, nacionales e internacionales para reconocer las tierras indígenas.

De acuerdo al departamento de artes y cultura de los Estados Unidos, “En países como Canadá, Nueva Zelanda y Australia, es habitual, incluso una política, el abrir eventos y reuniones para reconocer a los habitantes tradicionales indígenas de esa tierra”. Nuestro departamento de Equidad y Acceso exhorta abrir los eventos escolares y del distrito con este reconocimiento de tierra indígena poderoso:

“Reconocemos respetuosamente que estamos reunidos el día de hoy en las tierras tradicionales de las Personas de la Costa Salish, que han vivido en la Cuenca del Mar Salish, las Islas San Juan y la Cuenca de las Cascadas del Norte desde tiempos inmemorables. Usted está en territorio de la Tribu de la Costa Salish (Coast Salish Tribal Land).”

Entérese más en [página web](#) de Equidad y Acceso de las Escuelas Públicas de Everett o en www.usdac.us/nativeland.

Reporte de desempeño escolar

Nuestro reporte de desempeño escolar está disponible en línea en cada uno de los sitios web escolares. Para más información visite [El sitio web de la oficina del Superintendente de Instrucción Pública](#). Haga clic en “State Report Card” y seleccione “Everett” de la lista de distritos.

Conectémonos

Está invitado a conectarse con los líderes del distrito y participar en una conversación el 16 de noviembre de 5-6pm (el tema está por definirse). Queremos escuchar de ustedes y esperamos que pueda asistir a esta reunión vía Zoom para que comparta sus opiniones e ideas. Por favor revise recibir una invitación en su e-mail para que se conecte con el superintendente escolar regional y otros líderes escolares. Asegúrese de verificar su e-mail. Se requiere que confirme su asistencia para que reciba la liga a la junta en Zoom. ¡Conectémonos!

Apoyo al cuidado infantil

El condado de Snohomish está compensando una parte de los costos del cuidado infantil en conjunto con dos organizaciones sin fines de lucro a través del paquete de estímulo económico por el Coronavirus conocido como “la ley CARES”

En cooperación con los clubs de “Boys & Girl” del condado de Snohomish y el YMCA del condado de Snohomish, por favor [comparta esta información](#) y visite sus página de [preguntas comunes](#) y el [mapa localizador de cuidados infantiles](#).





¿Está su familia preparada?



[El departamento de manejo de emergencias del condado de Snohomish](#) (Snohomish County Emergency Management) tiene recursos de mucha ayuda para crear y practicar planes de respuesta de emergencia con su familia y sus vecinos en preparación al mal estado del clima.

Directorio de redes sociales

Siga nuestros sitios de redes sociales incluyendo páginas escolares y distritales, maestros, clubs y grupos estudiantiles. ¡Permanezca conectado para enterarse de todas las últimas noticias!

¿No está seguro si su escuela tiene redes sociales? Visite nuestro [directorio de redes sociales](#) para consultar la lista de cuentas.



Consejos de seguridad en línea

Mantenga la computadora en un área ocupada de su hogar.

- Use una aplicación para vigilar las actividades de su hijo/a en línea en su dispositivo.
- Platiquen sobre el ciberbullying. Pregúnteles si conocen a alguien que haya sido víctima. Pregúnteles si han ellos sido víctimas.
- Establezca cuentas de email y redes sociales con sus hijos. Conozca los nombres en sus pantallas y contraseñas y explique las razones de no incluir información personal en sus perfiles.

Conozca quién está en la “lista de amigos”. Conozca a los amigos cibernéticos de sus hijos, así como los que visitan su hogar. Los padres y tutores legales pueden encontrar de gran ayuda los siguientes recursos para iniciar una conversación sobre los peligros de participar en un bullying cibernético y cómo permanecer seguros en línea.



- [Detenga el bullying ahora](#)
- [Guía de etiqueta correcta en línea de Ms. Parry](#)
- [Sentido común en las redes](#)



Averigüe lo que los alumnos de las Escuelas Públicas de Everett aprenden sobre el civismo digital en el sitio web del distrito de [Servicios de Gestión del Aprendizaje](#).

¡La temporada de FAFSA ha comenzado!

La oficina de solicitud gratuita para la ayuda federal de estudiantes “*Free Application for Federal Student Aid*” (FAFSA) es una oficina que coordina a las escuelas de educación superior y a las instituciones financieras para ayudar a los estudiantes y sus familias a que paguen la universidad. Estén atentos a los eventos de finalización del FAFSA que ocurren en todo el distrito. Encuentre más información en www.fafsa.ed.gov.



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