

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our school year is off to an awesome start! Our students and teachers have settled in and our learning is taking off. Now that we are in the month of November, we are beginning to notice that cold and flu season has arrived. I wanted to take a moment to remind you of the ways to let our office know if your child will be out of school.

To excuse an absence, the parent or legal guardian should call or email as soon as possible on the morning of the absence.

EMAIL: <u>pennycreek@everettsd.org</u> CALL: 425-385-7205

EXCUSED ABSENCES are cases in which your child is either physically or mentally unable to come to school. This can include the following examples:

" Fever of 100 degrees or more, vomiting within the last 24 hours

- ["] Contagious illness (chicken pox, pinkeye)
- " A cold or other minor illness
- " Doctor's appointment (although, we encourage you to schedule these outside of the school day)

If you have any questions about attendance, please contact our office. Our dedicated staff are always available to help.

~Mrs. Heater, Principal

Penny Creek Veteran's Day Assembly

Thursday, November 10th 9:30 a.m.



Penny Creek Cafeteria Kindergarten and Third Graders wear RED First and Fourth Graders wear WHITE Second and Fifth Graders wear BLUE

A Special Thank You!

Thank you Penny Creek PTA for putting together such an amazing fundraising auction. We are so lucky to have such dedicated members of our PTA that work so hard to do what is best for our kids!!!



Everett Public Schools News

EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Remember to vote Nov. 8, 2016.

Accepting Highly Capable nominations until Dec. 1, 2016

Find forms and more information and evening information events on the <u>Highly Capable website</u>. Nominations are for students currently in grades one through four for winter testing, which will take place in January 2017.

Tips to help kids and parents in digital age

The Daily Herald shared an article from The Washington Post about things you can do at home to help keep your kids safe and healthy in a digital world: http://bit.ly/1RWx3if.

Find out what Everett Public Schools students learn about digital citizenship on the district <u>Learning</u> <u>Management Services website</u>.

Free research-based tools to help stop bullying

<u>Stopbullying.gov</u> has bullying prevention information and strategies. There are training modules, PowerPoints, toolkits, videos, resources, state-by-state laws and policies, suggestions about how to talk about bullying with your kids and much more.

Delayed start or closed schools

If we have to cancel school or delay the start of school, we will use our parent communication system to call in the morning after 5:45 a.m. with a brief message about the reason for closure or delay. We will also use local media and post the message on our website. If there is no announcement about Everett Public Schools, school is on the regular schedule.

More information and resources for school closures or delays, including what programs are impacted by a closure or delay and snow routes, is on the <u>district</u> <u>website</u> under the *Parents* tab.

In cases of inclement weather or other emergencies, please:

- watch district <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> posts;
- listen for media announcements;
- view the district's website at <u>www.everettsd.org</u>; or call our district information line 425-385-4636.

The district shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of academic and activity program without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, veteran or military status, the presence of any physical, sensory or mental disability or the sue of a trained dog guide or service animal by a student with a disability. Affirmative Action Office – Carol Stolz, cstolz@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106 Title IX Officer – Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, rhallbach@everettsd.org, 425-385-4306 ADA Coordinator – Becky Clifford, rclifford@everettsd.org, 425-385-5250 Address: 3900 Broadway, Everett, WA 98201

SCHOOL DISMISSAL SAFETY

Families at Penny Creek who pick up students at the end of the school day have two different pick up options:

Park and Walk- This option is available for parents who would like to walk in and greet their students at departure time.

*Enter the parking lot using the east or center entrance.

*Park in the east lot and walk to campus using the crosswalk.

*Wait for students to be released from the doors located between Building A and Building D. Kindergarten students will be released from small fenced playground on the southeast side of campus.

Kiss and Go Lane- This option is available for parents who would like to drive up and pick up their student, while still remaining in the car.

*Enter the parking lot through the west entrance. Turn right into the Kiss and Go loop. There are three ferry style lanes to wait in. At 3:40 p.m., a Penny Creek staff member will release each lane to pull forward to the student pick up point.

*When the lane is released, follow the Kiss and Go line around to the front of the covered area. Make sure to drive slowly and to pull forward as far as possible. Students will be waiting in the undercover area.

*Please remain in the car. When the car comes to a complete stop, your student will load into the car from the passenger side.

*Depart from the Kiss and Go lane by following the lane to the west exit on 132^{nd} Street SE.

FOR STUDENT SAFETY PLEASE USE CROSSWALKS AND SIDEWALKS. THANK YOU!

NOVEMBER IMPORTANT DATES

* REMEMBER THAT EVERY FRIDAY IS 2:15 DISMISSAL!

Nov 2: PTA Art Docent Training 7pm PTA Fall Bazaar 5:30pm Nov 4: 5th Grade Camp Info Night 6pm Nov 7: Nov. 10: Picture Retake Day Nov 11: No School Nov 18: Spirit Day: College Day Nov 21: PTA Membership Meeting 7pm Nov 23: Early Release at 1pm Nov 24-25: No School Nov 30: PTA Art Docent Training 7pm

