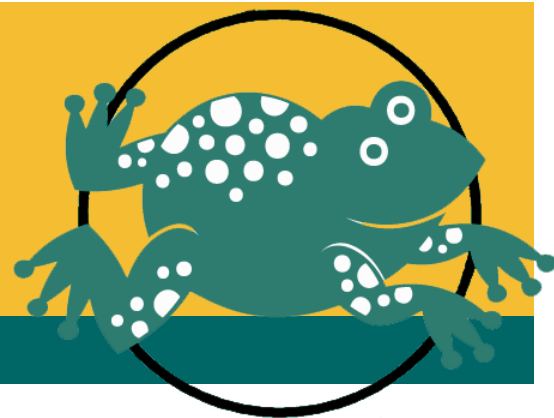


Penny Creek Frog News

PENNY CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Each week, our students are participating in math or ELA learning on a computer program called i-Ready. i-Ready is an integrated blended learning program that connects individual student strengths to personalized online learning and teacher-led instruction. Our students spend up to 90 minutes a week in personalized math or ELA tutorials and three times a year taking diagnostic assessments to monitor their progress. We are excited to use this program because it allows us to better serve our individual learners!

We need your help! Along with school, our students have access to i-Ready at home. If you are looking for enriching academic activities outside of school hours, help us by providing time for your child to log into the program at home. Doing this will increase their exposure to the individualized learning, as well as allow you to see i-Ready in action!

Families can access i-Ready by going to the Penny Creek website, clicking on Student Tools, then Student Links and finally on the i-Ready icon. You can go to the link below to get started:

<https://www.everettsd.org/Page/23882>

Thank you for partnering with us!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Heater



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Principal

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February 2

PCE Sports Spirit Day
Learning Improvement Friday
2:15 p.m. Release

February 8

PTA Spelling Bee
6:00 p.m. PCE Cafeteria

February 9

Learning Improvement Friday
2:15 p.m. Release

February 16

Learning Improvement Friday
2:15 p.m. Release

February 19-20

NO SCHOOL-Mid Winter Break

February 22

PCE Festival of Cultures
6:00 p.m. PCE Cafeteria

February 23

PCE College Spirit Day
Learning Improvement Friday
2:15 p.m. Release

February 28

PTA McTeacher Night
5:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Thomas Lake McDonald's

Penny Creek Families Needed

Penny Creek is looking for families of diverse countries and cultural backgrounds to showcase their unique clothing, artifacts, games, dance, food and music during our "Festival of Cultures" event on **Thursday, February 22nd** in our school cafeteria and gym. To learn more or to volunteer, please email Jackie Peters at jpeters@everettsd.org.



Access a teacher's website from a smartphone

Use this nifty [help sheet](#) for accessing teacher websites with a smartphone.

Are you registered to vote?

Students studied Dr. King's legacy in January. Among the advice he shared with the world is the responsibility and privilege we all have to vote. Registering to vote is easy. Click the link under [QuickLinks](#) on the district website.

Free tax preparation

United Way certified volunteers offer FREE tax preparation at several locations in Everett and throughout Snohomish County for families who made less than \$66,000 in 2017. Call 2-1-1 or visit the [United Way website](#) for more information.

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.

Kindergarten registration begins in March

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2018? Registration begins on March 5, 2018, at all 17 district elementary schools. Which school will your kindergartner attend? To find out, click on *School and Route Finder* under the *Parents* tab, or call the transportation office at 425-385-4144.

Lunch payments just got easier



Want to see your student's lunch balance and pay a balance from your phone? If you're logged into the mobile app, you can find and pay your student's lunch balance under your student's info. A new icon inside the app gives a shortcut to deposit funds for your student's lunch account. To make a payment, look for the green chef's hat icon.

The latest news and information from schools in Everett Public Schools is available on smartphones and mobile devices with a mobile app. The free mobile app that is now available in the online iTunes® and Google Play® app stores.

Once you've downloaded the app, log in to "student info" with your LMS password to see student-specific information for each of your children.





Do you have a student in special education?

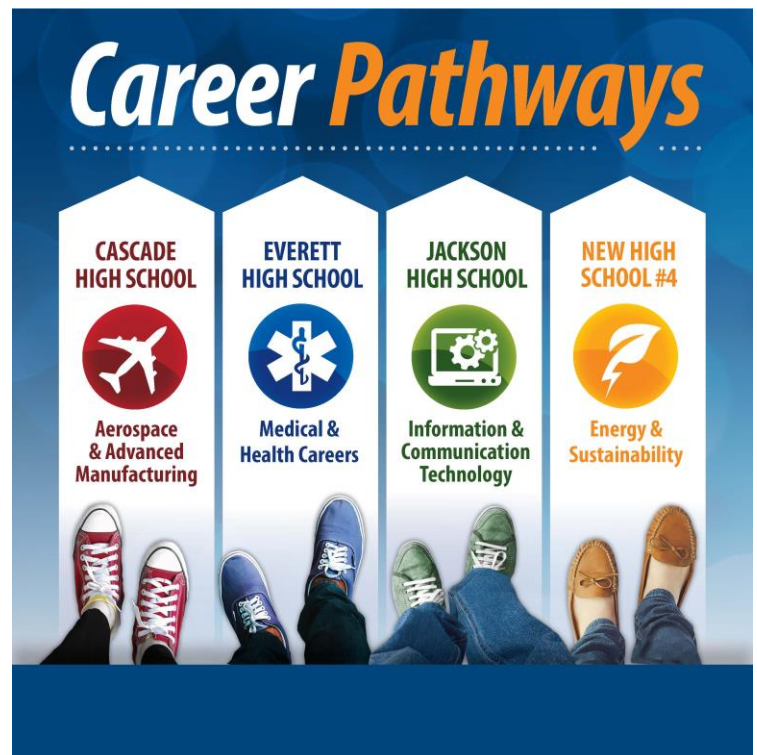
Did you know there is a Special Education PTSA in the district? The Special Education PTSA serves students, families, and educators involved in Special Education. They encourage students, families, educators and community members to work collaboratively to provide programs and activities recognizing 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](#).

Career readiness

Did you know our state will add 740,000 jobs in the next five years? But, according to a University of Washington research study, there is now a mismatch between the jobs opening and local residents seeking those positions. As a result, many local openings are filled by people from outside our region.

Washington Roundtable members believe in the concept of "Washington jobs for Washington kids." For that concept to be a reality, Washington high school graduates must go on to earn a postsecondary credential. Today, fewer than 1 in 3 do so.

The 2018 Capital Bond funds will pay to transform portions of each existing three high schools into high tech vocational learning and training centers. In these centers students will gain a head start on credentials that could enable them to live and work right here in our communities. The fourth high school (funding of which will be provided in the 2018 Capital Bond) will include a high tech vocational learning center in its design. Hear what [local leaders are saying](#) about the career pathways plan and creating opportunities for students.



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Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

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- Title IX Officer – Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104
- 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, rballbach@everettsd.org, 425-385-4063