## HUSKY HIGHLIGHTS

🗕 MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2022 💻

## **COMING UP:**

March 4 LIF Dismissal @ 1:35

March 7 Conference scheduling begins https://madisonelementary.schoolappointments.com/

March 11 LIF Dismissal @ 1:35pm

March 13 Daylight Savings Time begins - clocks "spring forward" one hour

March 14 Skate Night at the Everett Skate Deck @ 6:30 - 8:30pm

March 14 - 18 Coin War organized by the Madison PTA

March 18 LIF Dismissal @ 1:35pm

March 25 2 1/2 hour early release for teacher conference prep; Dismissal @ 12:20pm

March 28 - April 1 Conference Week; 2 1/2 hour Early <u>Dismissal @ 12:20pm all week</u> MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

April 4 - April 8

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greeting Madison Families,

Spring is in the air today. This is the time of year when we get to watch the Earth come back to life with the greens and vibrant colors blooming all around us. The warmth of the sun fills us with energy and enthusiasm to be outside. It is my goal to bring all of this color and energy into our work here at the school. Our Madison Team – students, teachers, support staff, parents, and community are an amazing group of people. We are not afraid of hard work or the challenging demands that come our way. Our focus here at Madison remains to cultivate a positive climate and create the best learning environment possible. High-quality instruction and student learning are our highest priorities.

This month we will be celebrating Women's History! Women's History Month is an annual declared month highlighting women's contributions to events in history and contemporary society. Students will have the opportunity to learn about different contributions that women have made throughout March. I hope you join me in commemorating and encouraging the study, observance, and celebration of women's vital role in American history.

Lastly, teachers are looking forward to the chance to conference with parents/guardians during the week of March 28-April 01. Students will be released early, at 12:20. Conferences will be conducted in person or video conference (Zoom). Conferences provide us with an opportunity to strengthen our partnership on your child's behalf. We want every Madison student to benefit from a parent/teacher conference and are aiming for a 100% participation rate. Thanks in advance for your participation!

In closing, I appreciate your efforts, support, and partnership. On behalf of our Madison team, we wish you and your loved ones health and happiness.

In partnership, **Dr. Jessica Corneille** Dr. Jessica Corneille, Principal

## FOLLOW MADISON ELEMENTARY ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Stay up-to-date with what's happening here at Madison by following us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>Twitter</u>!



## READ ACROSS AMERICA ART & WRITING CONTEST



## MADISON ELEMENTARY SKATE NIGHT MARCH 14



## MADISON ELEMENTARY PTA "PENNY WAR" FUNDRAISER

# 1-2-3-4 WE DECLARE A **PENNY WAR**

**HOW IT WORKS:** Each grade will have a jug located in the cafeteria during lunch the week of March 14-18. **ADD POINTS** to your grade's jug by adding pennies and dollar bills. **SUBTRACT POINTS** from other grades by adding silver coins to their jugs.

The Penny War jugs will also be available at the Skate Night on March 14th! All proceeds benefit the Madison PTA.

#### THE GRADE WITH THE MOST POINTS WINS AN ICE CREAM PARTY!

#### The Point System

ADDING POINTS Each Penny = 1 point \$1 Dollar = 100 points \$5 = 500 points \$10 = 1000 points

#### SUBTRACTING POINTS Nickel = -5 points Dime = -10 points Quarter = -25 points

## HELP KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE ONLINE!

We know that online communication is becoming more and more popular with youth! We understand that using the internet can be a fun and exciting way to communicate, however, there can also be some risk factors.



On **March 14th and 15th** Our School Counselor and STEAM Teacher will be teaching a lesson on Online Safety using Common Sense Media curriculum.

#### Primary K-2 Focus: March 14th

- · Develop healthy media habits
- · Learn how to be safe online
- · Short video and song

#### Intermediate 3-5 Focus: March 15th

- · Learn how to recognize cyberbullying and Report it
- What is and isn't OK to share online,

We encourage you to talk with your child about online rules and safety. You can visit the Common Sense website for more information. https://www.commonsense.org/education/family-resources

#### Internet Safety Tips

 $\cdot$  Never share personal information such as your full name, school, age, phone number, or home address;

- · Never send pictures to strangers;
- · Keep passwords private (except to parents);
- · Never agree to meet anyone online;

 $\cdot$  Report to an adult at home or at school if someone is Cyberbullying you or acting inappropriate.

If you would like additional information or have questions, feel free to contact the School Counselor. Parent Tips about Online Safety will be coming soon.

Thank you for your continued support! Mrs. Mahorney – School Counselor <u>mmahorney@everettsd.org</u> 425-385-5910 Mrs. Haakenstad – STEAM <u>TeacherKHaakenstad@everettsd.org</u>

## THANK YOU VOTERS

Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote, and all those who volunteered to sign wave and share the importance of the levies.



The Education Levy is the second largest revenue source for the Everett School District, making up about 14% of the budgeted general fund. The renewal of the levy provides funding for the next four years.

The Capital Levy provides funding for six years and makes up over 95% of the district's capital fund. As a reminder, the district website has a <u>list of projects</u> that are able to be funded thanks to the capital levy.

## **KINDERGARTEN KICK OFF!**

If your child will be five years old by August 31, 2022, you can learn more about enrolling into kindergarten in a virtual webinar on March 3 from 6-7 p.m. More information to come but SAVE THE DATE now!



## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION BEGINS THIS MONTH



Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2022? Registration begins on March 7, 2022. You can complete enrollment forms for kindergarten <u>online</u>! A <u>step-by-step parent walkthrough video</u> is also available as a resource.

#### Dual-language Spanish Immersion Program

The dual-language Spanish immersion program at Emerson Elementary School is an option for fall 2022. Families with children entering kindergarten will have the option to choose the dual language strand. This program gives elementary students an opportunity to complete the Everett Public Schools curriculum in a nontraditional and exciting way by immersing them in Spanish language and culture from kindergarten through twelfth grade. Students in the program will become proficient in both Spanish and English while learning the same curriculum content as their peers outside the program.

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. If the class is not filled from those in the Emerson attendance area, an additional lottery from beyond the school attendance area will be conducted.

## PORT GARDNER PARENT PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL (K-12)

Port Gardner is a parent partnership program, where parents/guardians are the primary educators of their children. The program is a blend of on-site classes taught by certificated teachers, and remote classes taught by parents/guardians in the home. On-site courses include both core academic areas and electives. High school level classes are credit-bearing and may be used towards earning a diploma through Everett Public Schools. Students enrolled in Port Gardner are public school students in an alternative public school program. For more about the program and enrollment information please visit: Port Gardner Parent Partnership or call 425-385-5150

## ANNUAL SCHOOL STAKEHOLDER SURVEY

To guide the Everett Public Schools' continuous improvement process, each year schools survey students, families, and staff. This information helps us to understand our specific strengths and challenges that impact school quality.



The School Stakeholder Annual Survey is only one of many pieces of data analyzed by school

program data is evaluated to create School Improvement Plan goals. Students in grades 3-12 will be taking this survey in class. Families will also be invited to take the survey which runs March 1 to April 1. More information about this survey will be coming home soon!



## WHAT IS LIGHTHOUSE COOPERATIVE?

Lighthouse Cooperative is a choice program within Everett Public Schools 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 parentled specialty lessons. Classroom teachers and families work together weekly, building a strong community of students, families, and staff as children move through all six grades with the same classmates. Learn more <u>here</u>.



## EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS WEEK

March 14-18 help us recognize the important work education support staff does for schools and students every day. We encourage you to take a moment and say thank you to office staff, crossing guards, paraeducators, maintenance staff, food and nutrition services professionals, bus drivers and many other education support staff who help schools and the district function smoothly.



## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS MARCH 13

**Daylight Savings Time** begins on Sunday, March 13 at 2 a.m. On Saturday night, set your clocks forward one hour (i.e., losing one hour) to "spring ahead." There will be more light in the evening. Also called Spring Ahead, Summertime and Daylight-Saving Time.

## LET'S CONNECT

The March Let's Connect will focus on Family and Community Engagement. More information on the date and how to register will be coming soon.



## **UPDATE EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Please call the Madison Elementary front office if your phone number or emergency contact information changes at any time during the school year. This is the contact information used by the Everett Public Schools automated phone system in emergencies and to share important school information with families.

## PARENT UNIVERSITY-SUGGEST A TOPIC

Parent University is an on-demand resource created to help parents and guardians become full partners in their child's education. Parent and family engagement in education positively impacts the academic and social success of children.



Our goal is to increase collaboration and involvement between

schools, families, and the community; to educate, empower and connect families with resources that build parent and student confidence, enhance character development, and promote life skills to increase the likelihood of family success in academic endeavors. Content includes a selection of pre-recorded videos and how-to documents that can be viewed at any time.

If you have additional topics you would like to suggest, please fill out our <u>"Suggest a Topic"</u> form. The form is also available on our Parent University webpage at <u>www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity</u>.

We value your partnership as we continually improve this resource for families.

## **DO NO MISS OUT!**

Our school is using Peachjar to send flyers home electronically. Just go to the home page of our school website and click on the Peachjar Eflyer button to check it out. You do not need to login to receive or view school eflyers.

No action is required on your part. You should have already received a welcome email from Peachjar that includes a username and password. This is provided so you can manage your account and flyer delivery preferences. Don't worry if you've forgotten your password, you can reset it at any time. If you cannot locate your welcome email, you can <u>go to Peachjar and sign</u>



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### EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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