

# Madison Husky Highlights

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## From the Principal

Dear Madison Families!

It's hard to believe spring is here. We are certainly having some beautiful weather. This an exciting time for learning, as teachers and students really start to see their hard work paying off. Hopefully you were able to be a part of celebrating your child's learning at Parent-Teacher Conferences at the end of March.

Looking forward, we are planning the Madison Festival of Cultures. This event will take place May 30<sup>th</sup>, but we need parent help planning now. We have many cultures represented here at Madison and we are grateful to have each student show up to school proud of who they are. Help us celebrate YOUR culture: be part of our planning committee to represent our families and students. For information, please contact Lindsay Leffelman at 425-385-5989, or Sherri Grinage at 425-385-5921. We look forward to your input and collaboration on this exciting event.

Our Spring Concert is April 11<sup>th</sup>. We know you are as excited as we are to see the performance our 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders have been practicing so much for! I will provide a bus to the Everett Civic Auditorium at 5:15 that evening. The bus will return to Madison after the show. Remember that parking can be a challenge at the Civic, so sign up for your spot on the bus soon!

April showers bring May flowers, but they also bring State testing time! Our school showed great growth on the State Smarter Balanced Assessment last year, and I expect this growth to continue due to the dedication of our entire staff and student body—our students are serious about learning! Our 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students have really been challenging themselves to learn and grow, and we can't wait for them to have the chance to show what they know. Below you will find the testing schedule for April and May. Please remember that your child will do best if they are on time, well-rested, and given positive encouragement—we don't expect everyone to get a perfect score, we just want them to do their best and GROW.

Madison Elementary School SBA and WCAS State Assessment Dates for 2019					
	ELA CAT	ELA PT	MATH CAT	MATH PT	WCAS Science
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	May 13 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup>	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	May 29 <sup>th</sup>	
4 <sup>th</sup> grade	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	May 8 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup>	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
5 <sup>th</sup> grade	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	May 6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup>	May 15 <sup>th</sup>	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	May 30 <sup>th</sup>

Parents, thank you for your continued support in making Madison a great place for your children to learn and grow. Let's make it a great semester!

--Amanda M. Overly, Principal

## Kindergarten registration happening now

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2019? Registration began March 4 at all 17 district elementary schools. Which school will your kindergartner attend? To find out, click on *Transportation* under the *Parents* tab, or call the transportation department at 425-385-4144. If you are in the Tambark Creek Elementary School area, register at any southend elementary school.

**April 1-5**  
No School-Spring Break

**April 11**  
Madison Spring Concert  
6:00-7:30 pm at Everett Civic Auditorium Grades 1-5

**April 12, 19, 26**  
Regular full school days-  
dismissal at 2:50 pm

**April 16**  
PTA Meeting 5:30 pm Madison Library

**April 18**  
PTA Skating Party 6:30-8:30 pm  
at Everett Skate Deck

**April 20**  
Madison Beautification Project  
9:00 am-4:00 pm volunteers  
needed and welcome



## Easy access with district app

Download and log into the district app to quickly and easily access your student's info. Pay lunch balances, see books checked out from the library, and find the staff directory, school websites, calendars and more.

The free mobile app is 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. Choose to read content in one of many languages in the settings.



## Thank you, volunteers!

April 22-26 is Public Schools Volunteer Appreciation Week. We are grateful for the many volunteers who support students and staff, many of them each and every school day. With activities ranging from reading with students, to playground supervision support, Watch D.O.G.S., and chaperoning field trips, your help matters. Our volunteers contribute to making school the best part of a student's day. Thank you!

## ECEAP preschool accepting applications for 2019-20

Everett Public Schools Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP) is a FREE preschool program for three- and four-year-old children from families with limited income.

ECEAP prepares children for kindergarten and provides family support and health and nutrition services. It is funded by the Washington State Department of Early Learning.

The five ECEAP sites within our school district are Garfield, Hawthorne, Lowell, Madison and Silver Lake elementary schools.

Space is limited – apply early! For an application or more information, please call 425-385-4628 or visit the [district ECEAP website](#).





## Innovation Expo June 5

Students and families will enjoy seeing and interacting at booths from schools from across the district at this year's [Innovation Expo](#) June 5, 5-8 p.m., at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena. Each school's booth is different and showcases something the students at that school are learning.

The STEM competition is a favorite part of the event for many students and families. See the best student projects from around the district and hear what the students learned by completing them. Learn more and download forms at [www.everettsd.org/expo](http://www.everettsd.org/expo).



## Superintendent search update

The school board hired Ray and Associates as the search firm to guide the work of finding the right candidates for Everett's new superintendent. We were able to supply Ray and Associates with some very helpful information from the Thoughtexchange process many of you participated in. Thank you for taking the time to do that.

In March, Ray and Associates asked students, parents, staff and other key stakeholders to prioritize the top 10 characteristics they should look for in a candidate. Ray and Associates are now developing and sharing the superintendent profile you helped create. The board will select the next superintendent by the end of May. Follow the search process online at [www.everettsd.org/supersearch](http://www.everettsd.org/supersearch).



## Calendar update

June 21 is now the last day of school and a full day. Several Learning Improvement Fridays are also now full days. Be sure to download the updated calendars from the district website to make sure you have the revised dates.



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Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

- Title IX Officer/Civil Rights Compliance Officer – Mary O'Brien, [MO'Brien@everettsd.org](mailto:MO'Brien@everettsd.org), 425-385-4106, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213
- 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, [rballbach@everettsd.org](mailto:rballbach@everettsd.org), 425-385-4063, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213
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