Madison Husky Highlights

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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January 2020

From the Principal

Dear Madison Families,

Happy New Year! I am so honored and proud to be able to lead the Madison Huskies community as Principal for this year and hopefully many more to come.

With the new year 2020 comes a new decade as well. It's hard to believe how fast time flies. By the end of the new decade, all of our current Madison Huskies will either be starting high school, or have graduated high school. Where do your students want to be in 10 years? It's never too early to start talking about plans and pathways to achieving goals—the sky is the limit with our kids. **They can be or do anything they set their minds to!**

There are so many career options out there for young people just starting out. Business reports say we can't even imagine what careers there will be in 10, 15, 20 years. Whatever career your child chooses, there are certain skills that will always be needed: punctuality and good attendance, reading, writing, math, oral communication, perseverance, creativity and problem-solving skills. **Our amazing teachers** ensure that students learn all these skills and more when they regularly attend Madison. Please keep doing your best to get the kiddos here every day.

January is a busy month for our school. We will have an assembly in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior. We will have a Taproot Assembly about character. We will also have awards assemblies at the end of the month. If your child is going to receive an award, you will receive an invitation and a phone call inviting you to the appropriate date and time. Please be on the lookout for those invitations in backpacks. January 16th we will observe Temperance and Good Citizenship Day, where students will learn about what it means to be a good citizen of the school community.



January 10 LIF Friday 1:35 PM Dismissal

January 16

Temperance and Good Citizenship Day

January 17 LIF Friday 1:35 PM Dismissal

No School-Martin Luther King Junior Day

January 21 PTA Meeting 5:30 PM in library

January 23 ECEAP Family Night 5:30 PM

January 24 LIF Friday 1:35 PM Dismissal January 27

No School/Teacher Work Day

January 30 STEM Night 6:00-8:00 PM At Children's Imagine Museum

January 31 LIF Friday 1:35 PM

Finally, on January 30th, we will host our annual STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Night, **but not at the school**! We will be **renting out the Imagine Children's Museum** for Madison families only on January 30th. Only the first 350 people will receive FREE admittance. A flyer will be sent home with specific details and times.

I close with gratitude. Thank you to the PTA for all you do. Thank you to parents for choosing Madison. Thank you to students for giving us your best every day. It's going to be a great 2020.

Sincerely,

Amanda M. Overly Principal



January is School Board Appreciation Month

The month of January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition – a time to salute the work of school board members and celebrate public education. You can learn more about <u>board members online</u>. You can also watch past school board meetings on the district's YouTube channel.

Good Citizenship Day

Register to vote here.

Good Citizenship Day shall be observed on January 16. On that day, social studies teachers coordinate a voter registration event in each history or social studies class attended by high school seniors. Students who will be eighteen years of age or older by the time of the next general election will be given the opportunity to register to vote online in the classroom. Paper registration will also be made available in the classroom.

Delayed start or closed schools

If we must cancel school or delay the start of school, we will use our parent communication system to call in the morning, typically around 5:30 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 is on the district website under the *Parents* tab.

In cases of inclement weather or other emergencies, please:

- check your email or phone for district messages
- listen for media announcements
- view the district's website at <u>https://www.everettsd.org/</u>
- watch district Facebook, Twitter or Instagram accounts

Food and Nutrition

This month, the Food and Nutrition Department brings you potatoes grown in the PNW! Be sure to check out our menu for dishes containing this tasty Harvest of the month!

Did you know that potatoes are the most popular vegetable grown in the US and are an excellent source of Vitamin C, B6 and potassium? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on our website at https://www.everettsd.org



I have so many potato jokes. I just don't know where to starch.



Safety tip line

Do you or your student have a concern about someone experiencing bullying or harassment? Or have you perhaps heard a rumor about someone bringing a weapon or drugs to school? **Report it!** You can talk directly with your school's office or you can call, text or email your concern.

If there is reason for concern about safety on a designated walkway to school, call 9-1-1 immediately for authorized, quick help. We have strong partnerships with local law enforcement who share our interest in safe schools and neighborhoods.

Student safety is a priority for all of us. Working together, we can help make our neighborhoods and schools nurturing places for students to safely learn and grow.

3 easy ways

Text or call **855-637-2095** 🗹 1350@alert1.us http://1350.alert1.us



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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, 425-385-4106, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213 504 Coordinator - Becky Ballbach, rballbach@everettsd.org, 425-385-4063,
 - PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213 ADA Coordinator - Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213

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