Madison Husky Highlights

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Dear Madison families,

WOW! We have been so fortunate to have lots of sunny days sprinkled in between the rainy days! I hope you and your children can find time to enjoy the sun when it's out. As you know, our district is monitoring the Corona virus situation closely and sending you communications directly, but I am always available if you have questions. Speaking of the sun, as we approach springtime, our students get more and more energetic, and the playground play can get rowdy. Please take the time at home to discuss our school wide expectations: PAWS behavior. If you've been with us for a while, you probably already know that PAWS stands for Positive and Polite Achievers Working Hard Safely. One very important part of safety at Madison is KYHFOOTY. Quiz your students to see if they can tell you what KYHFOOTY means—I bet they do! (KYHFOOTY stands for Keep Your Hands, Feet and Other Objects to Yourself). Please discuss the importance of KYHFOOTY at school.

Some recently released data from the state indicates that our students and teachers continue to work hard at learning. The Washington State Improvement Framework (WSIF) is a measure of how schools are doing in terms of learning improvements. The measure is based on 4 different factors as follows: 50% **growth** on the SBA, 40% **proficient** on the SBA, 5% **attendance**, and 5% **progress of English Learner Students**. I am proud to say that in the past two years, Madison has gone from a 3.1 on the 10-point scale to a 6.9 on the 10-point scale, overall. What does this mean in plain English? Our school, students and teachers are **rocking the improvement!** We still have plenty of growth to make—especially in the area of our English Learners and Special Education students. We are committed to closing achievement gaps and look forward to seeing these subgroups improve. On the next page is a graph for your review; additional information can be found at the following website:-https://washingtonstatereportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/. I am happy to discuss WSIF with you if you have any questions.

We couldn't ask for better parents or more supportive community. Thank you for continuing to send students to school every day, on time, ready to learn. Thank you for reading with your child(ren) each night and talking to them about what they are reading. Thank you for counting things with them! Counting objects around their lives and looking for patterns helps them develop number sense. Please talk to your child's teacher for more information about how you can help them at home.

Lastly, our second round of **parent conferences** begins this month, beginning on March 30th. During this week, we will be asking you to complete a parent survey on our school. We take these surveys very seriously and review your answers carefully to see how we can better serve you. Please don't forget to complete the survey during conference week. As always, my door is open to parents and the community if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours in education, Amanda M. Overly Principal

March 2

Read Across America

March 4

Open Library 3:00-4:00 PM

March 5

PTA Skate Party 6:30-8:00 PM at Skate Deck Math Fest 2020 5:00-7:30 PM Angel of the Winds Conference Center

March 6

LIF Friday 1:35 PM Dismissal

March 11

Open Library 3:00-4:00 PM

March 13

LIF Friday 1:35 PM Dismissal

March 14

Hibulb Family Field Trip

March 17

PTA Meeting 5:30 PM

March 18

Open Library 3:00-4:00 PM

March 20

LIF Friday 1:35 PM Dismissal

March 25

Open Library 3:00-4:00 PM

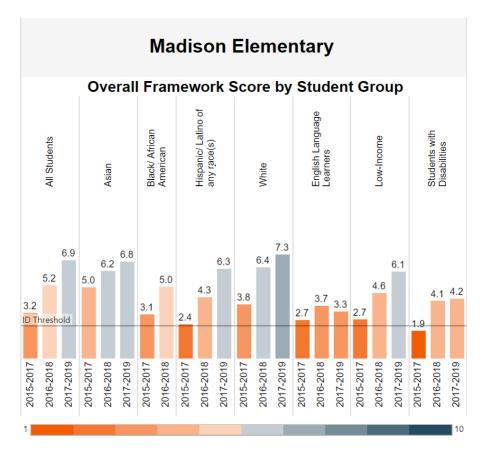
March 27-April 3

2 ½ hour early release at 12:20 PM for Parent Teacher Conferences

April 6-10

No School-Spring Break





FREE learning tools for your entire family

Did you know that with your parent LMS user name and password, you have access to a powerful resource provided also to students and staff with their district logins? Hoonuit (formerly Atomic Learning) is a key partner in our dedication to providing the highest quality technology training resources.

Our subscription to Hoonuit includes:

- The Microsoft® Office Suite
- Adobe Suite
- Google Drive/apps/doc/form
- Internet Safety
- · Career Skills training for personal career advancement
- Completing a FAFSA training for college planning
- Access for staff, students and their families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- More than 50,000 step-by-step technology tutorials.

Go to <u>www.atomiclearning.com/login/everettsd</u> and log in with your district username and password. Need a login and password? Email <u>LMS@everettsd.org</u>.

Kindergarten registration begins this month

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2020? Registration begins March 2, at all 18 district elementary schools. Which school will your kindergartner attend? To find out, go to our school search page here, or call the transportation department at 425-385-4144.



Classified Employee Week

March 2 - 6, help us recognize the important work classified 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, bus drivers and the many other classified staff who help schools and the district function smoothly.

22nd annual student art shows

Everett Public Schools, in partnership with Everett Public Schools Foundation, is pleased to display the work of student artists at the Community Resource Center. See the art on display during regular business hours (7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) or during a reception.

- Elementary school Art Show: February 25 March 20, viewing only
- High school Art Show: April 6-24, reception on April 15
- Middle school Art Show: May 4-28, reception on May 27



Calendar update



On January 28, 2020 the school board approved the 2019-20 school calendar update. We've had three snow days, so the last day of school has changed. As of today, the last day of school is June 18 (keeping in mind this date is subject to change).

Go to www.everettsd.org for updated At-a-glance and student art calendars, English and Spanish versions.

Harvest of the month

This month, the Food and Nutrition Department brings you broccoli grown in the PNW! Be sure to give it a try this month by choosing our broccoli salad or roasted broccoli menu option.

Did you know that broccoli is an excellent source of so many vitamins and minerals like Vitamin A, K and folate? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on our website at https://www.everettsd.org Brocc and Roll!



Update emergency contacts

Please call your school 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.



Remember to register to vote

By registering to vote, either in person or online, you are able to exercise a basic democratic right.

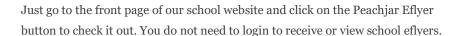
- 1. In person -- You may register to vote or change your registration at Snohomish County Elections, 3000 Rockefeller Ave, Everett, 1st Floor, Admin Bldg West.
- 2. Online -- If you have a valid Washington state driver's license, you may register with the <u>Secretary of State</u> quickly and easily online. You may also download a voter registration form in several languages from that site.
- 3. Online Visit the district's bond 2020 page at www.everettsd.org/bond2020 and click on "register to vote" on the left hand side. To learn details about elections, visit the Snohomish County Elections website.

Daylight savings time begins March 8

Sunrise and sunset will be about 1 hour later on Mar 8, 2020 than the day before. There will be more light in the evening. Also called Spring Forward, Summer Time and Daylight Savings Time.

Do not miss out!

Our school is using Peachjar to send flyers home electronically.





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 to give you the opportunity to manage your account and flyer delivery preferences. Don't worry if you've forgotten your password, you can reset it at any time.

This system is used exclusively for distribution of school-approved flyers. Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose.



Everett Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

- Title IX Officer/Civil Rights Compliance Officer Mary O'Brien, MO'Brien@everettsd.org, 425-385-4108, 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