

Madison Husky Highlights

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Greetings Madison Families,

Welcome to the 2021-22 school year!

I am excited to welcome you and your family to the 2021-2022 school year! I hope you're having an enjoyable, relaxing, safe and adventurous summer break with family, friends, and loved ones! We have eagerly anticipated the full reopening of our campus!! Our staff is committed to ensuring that Madison will continue to focus on cultivating knowledgeable, compassionate, inquiring learners who impact our community and achieve academic excellence.

This year we will also focus on meeting students where they are and providing just in-time focused instruction that supports while also accelerating learning for ALL. In order to achieve this goal, we will need your support to ensure students are in school daily and on-time. Please note that we welcome students each day beginning at 8:30 am. To ensure everyone's safety, we are following the mandate of the governor, which is a legal requirement for school districts, and will be requiring masking for all students and staff (who are in the presence of students).

As a school staff we will do all we can to support each student and their individual needs. We are planning to maintain a welcoming environment that ensures student safety and a sense of belonging. During the first five days of school, classrooms will spend time getting to know each other, developing friendships, team building, routines/procedures, and teach school-wide behavior expectations. Madison teaches P.A.C.K expectations for all areas of our school. P.A.C.K is part of our school Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support Program (PBIS). When you are at the school, you will see the P.A.C.K acronym posted throughout the school campus.

P – Persevere
A – Act Safely
C – Care about others
K – Keep focused

We are excited to welcome the following new staff who will be instrumental in helping us achieve our goals and supporting our current work. These professionals come to us with expertise, integrity, compassion, and a desire to make a difference. Please join me in welcoming:

- Becky Bruscas- 5th grade
- Stacey Higgins- 2nd grade
- Callie VanAelst- 1st grade
- Lauren King- Kindergarten
- Elizabeth Whitaker- OT
- Grace Cho- SLP
- Monica Hoersting- .5 Art
- Katherine Haakenstad- STEM
- Jean Dewitt- Music
- Bryan Blair- Admin Para
- Virginia Lucero (New Role)- Student Re-Engagement Para

Meet the Teacher will be held face-to-face this year. Meet the Teacher is a great opportunity for students and parents to meet our teachers and get all the necessary information for the school year. Madison's Meet the Teacher will be held on **Tuesday, August 7th**.

September 7

Meet Your Teacher at Madison Elementary!

If your last name starts with:

A-H: 3:30pm – 4:00pm

I-P: 4:10pm – 4:40pm

Q-Z: 4:50pm – 5:20pm

*Grades 1-5

September 8

First day of school for grades 1-5

September 13

First day of school for Kindergarten

September 10, 17, 24

Learning Improvement Friday (LIF). 75-minute early dismissal. School ends @ 1:35pm



To reduce crowd size in the building at one time, we will invite families whose last name begins with A-H from 3:30-4:00 PM, I-P from 4:10-4:40 PM, and families whose last name begins with Q-Z 4:50-5:20 PM. Please feel free to come any time within your assigned timeframe.

Other Important dates to remember:

- 1st day of school, September 8, 2021,
- Kindergarten WAKids Family Conferences, September 8, 9, and 10 (scheduled)
- 1st day of school for Kindergarten, September 13, 2021

I eagerly look forward to greeting all students and their families again. It remains an honor and privilege to serve as your principal. Together, I know we will make this school year one of growth and achievement for all children.

In partnership,

Dr. Jessica Corneille, Ed.D

Principal, Madison Elementary

From the Assistant Principal:

Husky Families,

Welcome back! I am thrilled to welcome you to the 2021-2022 school year and am very much looking forward to meeting all of the students, parents, guardians and families of the Madison Elementary School Community. The past year and a half has presented us with challenges one would never have imagined. The resiliency, strength, support and commitment of our students, parents and staff have been impressive and very much appreciated.

All families should have received a communication from the district informing about the upcoming school year but below are few important reminders.

Please note that our district has been closely following the guidance of The Washington State Department of Health, The Center for Disease Control (CDC), and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) as well as the governor as we plan for in-person instruction this year.

Masks and Safety Protocols:

At this time, facial coverings/masks must be worn at all times during school hours, and when students are present in the building, even if they are vaccinated. There are specific exceptions for those who have a medical condition that precludes them from wearing them (if so, must be arranged with administrators prior to the start of the school).

State of the Washington and the Department of Health advised schools to provide appropriate physical distancing standards whenever possible, but to not let it prevent a school from offering full-time, in-person learning to all students in the fall. Adhering to the guidance, we will be maintaining 3 feet physical distancing in classrooms to the greatest extent possible and regular cleaning disinfecting.

Stay Home When Sick

If your child is not feeling well, please stay home until all symptoms resolve. COVID symptoms can include one or more of the following:

- Fever
- Difficulty breathing
- Muscle pain or body aches
- Chills
- Cough
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Runny nose or nasal congestion
- New loss of taste or smell
- Nausea or vomiting

You can follow your situation on this District Safety Flow Chart on when you can return to school.

<https://docushare.everett.k12.wa.us/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-120636/2021.08.30-covid-19-screening-flow-chart.pdf>



Breakfast and Lunch

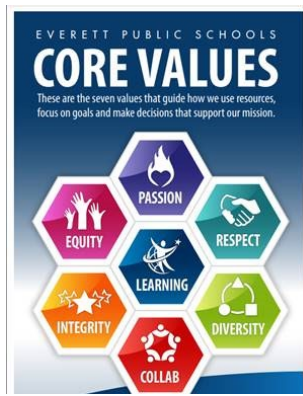
Breakfast will be served in the classroom at 8:30 am., and lunch will be provided in the cafeteria during their assigned times. Social distancing will be maximized, and students will have an assigned seating in the cafeteria. The “free meals for all” federal waiver is in place through the end of the school year. Accordingly, all students are eligible for free breakfast and lunch this school year.

Thank you for your partnership in your student’s education,

Ms. Amy S. Lee, Assistant Principal

Strategic Plan refresh

The Everett School district has a refreshed strategic plan for 2021-26. This ambitious, exciting and comprehensive effort will guide Everett Public Schools for the next five years and aims to bring everyone together to meet the needs of all students. The mission, vision and core values remain unchanged.



Mission – To inspire, educate and prepare each student to achieve to high standards, contribute to our community and thrive in a global society.

Vision – Our students will lead and shape the future. They will be well-rounded, healthy and flexible thinkers with a global perspective who can access resources and collaborate. They will demonstrate empathy, pride and advocacy for self, school and community while respecting the diversity and worth of others. They will acquire the knowledge, attitudes and skills to adapt to the emerging needs of a changing world.

Six **Priority Student Outcomes** are agreed upon targets for 2021-26 and will be achieved through six strategic priorities.



Each **Strategic Priority** has initiatives created for the first year of the strategic plan. These 2021-22 initiatives will help meet the theme goals which will ultimately help the district achieve our Priority Student

Outcomes. Each initiative is assigned a sponsor, an owner and team members.



Follow Strategic Plan progress at <https://www.everetsd.org/StrategicPlan>

2021-22 Calendar

The 2021-22 calendar was part of our contract negotiations this year and was ratified in late August. The Student Art Calendar will be distributed through your student’s school when it is available in late September.





Meals free 2021-22 school year



Along with returning to 100% in-person this fall, we are also able to continue serving FREE meals to all children until June 30, 2022! Free meals are available this school year for all on-site students! The meal program is federally funded, and meal costs are reimbursed by the USDA. To find out the menu for breakfast and lunch at your student's school, please visit the food and nutrition website on everettsd.org. **Families who qualify for Free and Reduced Meals should still complete an annual application form.** Approved free and reduced applications help fund other programs and can also help waive other fees for your family. Applications are available online or at your student's school.

Attendance procedures

We look forward to seeing your child at school every day. Regular school attendance is important, and we will work with you to ensure your child is present to benefit from an excellent education. If your child is absent, please email the school at their attendance email address, which you can find on the school website.

If email is not possible, and even if you leave a message with the school attendance line, please send a written note to the school office within 30 days after your student returns to school.



2021-22 Immunization Records

As a reminder as of August 1, 2020, a change in state immunization rules has affected two areas of immunization compliance:

- The definition of "conditional status" has been clarified. **Students must turn in their immunization paperwork on or before the first day of in-person learning.**
- All new immunization records from students need to be **medically verified**.

A medically verified record includes one or more of the following and can be submitted by email to

EPS.BuildingRN.MailList@everettsd.org:

- A Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) printed from the Immunization Information System
- A physical copy of the CIS with a healthcare provider signature
- A physical copy of the CIS accompanying medical immunization records from a healthcare provider verified and signed by school staff
- A CIS printed from your MyIR account.

Access your family's immunization information

To access your family's immunization information from the Washington State registry visit, sign up for [MyIR](#) to view, download and print your student's immunization records securely online. Once you register, you can access the records anytime you need them. You can print your child's Certificate of Immunization Status for school, childcare and camp programs.

Ways to stay in touch and stay connected

On the communications department webpage, you can sign up for [InTouch](#) announcements and school board meeting agenda highlights delivered to your email box twice monthly. You can also follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

Visit our social media directory at www.everettsd.org/socialmediadirectory to follow along with school pages, district pages, teachers, clubs, teachers, student groups, and more. Stay connected with us to learn the latest news! We can't wait to see you there!

Everett Public Schools believes communication with parents and the community is very important. One resource available for families is our "Stay Connected" chart, which will show you the different ways you can regularly keep informed. Visit the communications overview page on the district's website at www.everettsd.org/communications to download your copy.

Please also make sure your student's school has your updated contact information so the district can communicate effectively with you.



Have you downloaded our mobile app?

News and information about our schools are as close as your smartphone. Download and log into the district app to access your student's info quickly and easily. See top stories, Parent University, Canvas, books checked out from the library, and find the staff directory, school websites, calendars and more.

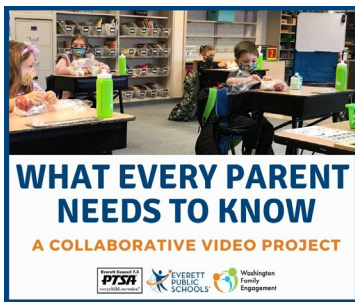
Available for Apple and Android devices and can be downloaded in 3 easy steps:

1. On your smartphone, go to the iTunes App Store® or Google Play®
2. Search **Everett Public Schools**
3. Then select our app for free download

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. Read content in one of many languages available in the settings.



What Every Parent Needs to Know video series



The Everett PTSA Council collaborated with Everett Public Schools staff and Washington Family Engagement to develop video resources for families which provide fundamental information to navigate school systems, advocate for their student(s), and actively participate in public education.

The project of five videos, entitled "What Every Parent Needs to Know," provides an overview of topics that parents felt were essential for building a foundation for authentic parent and family engagement. Video topics include: Student Education Rights, Get Engaged in Your Children's Education, What to Do About Bullying, Advocating for Your Student and Understanding Public Schools.

The initial material was created by Washington Family Engagement and further reviewed by parent and community groups, as well as Everett School District staff, to ensure accuracy, relevancy, and access. The videos were recorded by various district staff and are available on the district's Parent University webpage, with translations recorded and available in Spanish, and subtitles in Russian, Vietnamese, and Arabic.

Care Solace resource



Everett Public Schools fosters a culture that promotes the health, safety and well-being of students, parents and staff. To continuously support this commitment, the district has partnered with **Care Solace**.

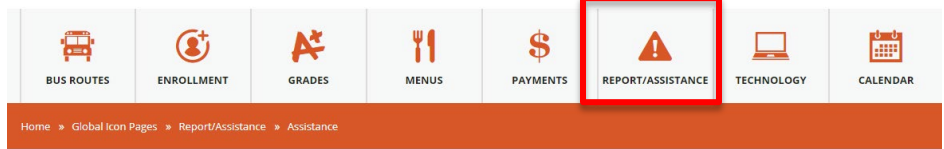
Care Solace is an [online resource](#) with a live 24/7 concierge meant to assist individuals in finding local mental health-related programs and counseling services. Care Solace is a tool for school staff and families to connect with community-based mental healthcare resources and providers. Their proprietary care navigation system taps into a vast database of mental healthcare resources to find carefully vetted local therapists and programs in minutes. Care Solace is available for use by district families and staff at no cost.



New assistance icon on website

The district's main webpage has a new icon, "report/assistance," with resources and assistance for students and families on:

- Suicide Prevention
- Crisis Support
- Eating Disorder Help
- Substance Abuse Help
- Report Safety Concerns
- Report Harassment



Assistance



ECEAP preschool accepting applications for 2021-22

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 six ECEAP sites within our school district are Cedar Wood, Garfield, Hawthorne, Lowell, Madison, and Silver Lake elementary schools. Space is limited – apply early! For an application or more information, please visit the [district ECEAP website](#) or call 425-385-4628.

Kids in Transition program

Kids in Transition (KIT) program supports students who qualify as homeless under the federal [McKinney-Vento Homeless Act](#). Students without a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence may qualify. The KIT program works to eliminate barriers to students' academic success and extra-curricular involvement. We ensure students experiencing homelessness have access to free school meals, school supplies, and uniforms. KIT can help students access extended day or summer school classes and provide access to tutoring when needed. The KIT Program can also cover fees required to take part in activities such as school-sponsored sports, clubs, and required class fees. KIT transports eligible students to maintain school stability, as long as the commute is in the best interest of the student.

Last year, Everett Public Schools served over 1,100 homeless students at some time during the school year. For more information, visit the [KIT website](#) or contact the KIT Program at 425-385-4032.

Backpacks for students in need



Do you know a family who might be in need this year? Stuff the Bus for Kids ensures each child in Everett Public Schools starts the school year prepared to learn. In August, the EPS Foundation delivered over 2,000 backpacks, filled with school supplies, and are making them available to any Everett Public School student who may need extra assistance.

Students in need of a backpack, please reach out to your school to receive your supplies. Backpacks are available for pick up at each school.

Student opportunities and activities eflyers



We use *Peachjar* to email approved flyers from community organizations to parents and guardians.

Schools also post those flyers on their websites. Look for the Peachjar button in the *Quicklinks* section of your school home page to see those flyers. You can also register there to have those flyers delivered to your email address if you aren't already receiving them.



Safety tip line

Do you or your student have a concern about someone experiencing bullying or harassment? **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
- <https://everett-wa.safeschoolsalert.com>



Access to public records

District records are public records. Parents and other citizens have the right to ask to view or have copies of records defined as “public” under state and federal laws. These include parents’ and legal guardians’ student’s records and records about discipline of school employees.

The district’s general counsel office handles public records requests. Request records by writing to that office at PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213, sending an email request to publicrecords@everettsd.org, or calling 425-385-4150.

Your student’s records are confidential

Everett Public Schools is serious about protecting student records and privacy. The district uses multiple security measures to safeguard student transcripts and other education-related records. Only those teachers, administrators and other staff members who work directly with students (and have an educational need to know) have access to individual student records. Staff members are required to maintain confidentiality of all information in a student’s records.

Register to vote!

It’s easy! You can register online at <http://bit.ly/VoteRegistration> or stop by your school office to pick up paper registration materials.

Job opportunities!

Everett Public Schools is hiring many positions. Please share with friends and family who may be interested in joining our team. Visit www.everettsd.org/jobs for jobs posted and how to apply.



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- 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. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints
- of alleged discrimination:

• **Title IX/Civil Rights**

• **Compliance Officer:**

- Kevin Allen
- 425-385-4100
- KAllen@everettsd.org
- PO Box 2098
- Everett, WA 98213

• **Section 504 Coordinator:**

- Dave Peters
- 425-385-4063
- DPeters@everettsd.org
- PO Box 2098
- Everett, WA 98213

• **ADA Coordinator:**

- Randi Seaberg
- 425-385-4104
- RSeaberg@everettsd.org
- PO Box 2098
- Everett, WA 98213