

Jefferson Charger News

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Students and staff are all working hard as we head into the last full month of the school year. There is still so much learning to be done, but it can be hard to keep focused as the weather turns warm and the days grow longer. We appreciate your support in having your child at school on time each day, ready to learn!

Internet Safety Education for Parents

Parenting – and teaching – in the digital age presents many challenges. Each year, we see our students – especially those in fourth and fifth grades – facing increasingly difficult choices around social media and what they are exposed to online. While much of this goes on outside of school, the effects can carry over and affect student relationships and focus on learning. Many students do not understand the idea of a digital footprint that follows them forever, and it seems easy to hide behind the anonymity of a screen name in an app. What can you do? Everett Public Schools parents can access free online classes through Eduro Learning. There are six different courses available, including digital citizenship, social media, and managing technology use. Use the code EverettParents at [this link](#) for free access to \$250 worth of courses.

SBA/WCAS Testing Continues

Our third-, fourth-, and fifth-graders are working hard on their state tests. Here are the remaining testing dates:

- Third-grade math: May 1 and 8
- Fourth-grade math: May 2 and 9
- Fifth-grade math: May 7 and 10
- Fifth-grade science: May 15

No Dogs on Campus

With nicer weather upon us, we are seeing more dogs at arrival and dismissal time. Per district policy, only service animals are allowed on campus during student supervision hours (8:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.). This ensures the safety of students and animals alike, so please enjoy a family dog walk on campus outside of these hours.

Have a great month of May!

Mrs. Kelley

Elizabeth Kelley
Principal

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May 2

Popcorn for sale at lunch

May 4

Learning Improvement 2:15 dismissal

May 7-11

PTA Staff Appreciation Week

May 10

PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m., library

May 11

PTA Mother's Day Breakfast,
8:00-8:45 a.m., free
Learning Improvement 2:15 dismissal

May 16

Popcorn for sale at lunch

May 18

Learning Improvement 2:15 dismissal

May 21

Art Walk & Ice Cream Social,
6:30-7:30 p.m.

May 25

Learning Improvement 2:15 dismissal

May 28

Memorial Day: No school



Important Reminders from the Jefferson Office

Are you planning to move before the 2018-19 school year?

Please notify the office as soon as possible so that we can manage records and plan for student placement.

Kindergarten registration is open!

To register your incoming kindergartener, please pick up a packet from the front office or print the complete packet at <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/4952>. Please remember to bring an original birth certificate and utility bill with you when submitting kindergarten registration.

How to find out your child's 2018-19 teacher

See the last two pages of the newsletter to find out how to sign up for the district's Home Access Center. This is where you will be able to find out your child's teacher for the next school year in early September. You will not receive an automated phone call or e-mail with teacher assignments as you have in past years!

Update your e-mail address with the office

Providing us with an up-to-date e-mail will help us keep you current on school news and relay information.

Absence reporting

To report an absence, e-mail JFEattendance@everettsd.org using the e-mail address we have on record.

Early dismissals from school

When checking your student out early, please remember to have your photo ID ready.

Happy May from the Reading Room!

Thank you to all families of 3rd, 4th, and 5th-graders for having your kids at school on time on our testing days. We are so proud of the incredible effort we are seeing! We know the kids are very determined to show what they know, and to do their best.

We are currently gearing up for the Summer Experience, which is an opportunity for kids going into grades 1-5 to continue learning over the summer. Classes are Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and run for five weeks (July 9-August 9) at Monroe Elementary School. Bus transportation will be provided from several sites. Kids who attend will enjoy free breakfast and lunch, reading and math practice, science activities, recess, and more. If you have questions about this opportunity, please call!

Janet Erickson, literacy specialist, 425-385-7423

News from the Gym

This year's Field Day will be Friday, June 15, 9:30-11:00.

FITNESS FOR KIDS WHO DO NOT LIKE SPORTS from KidsHealth.org

Here are some reasons some kids might not be interested in sports:

STILL DEVELOPING BASIC SKILLS

It is not until about age 6 or 7 that most kids have the physical skills, the attention span and the ability to grasp the rules needed to play organized sports. Kids who have not had much practice need time to do so. Trying and failing, especially in a game situation, might frustrate them or make them nervous.

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News from the Gym (continued)

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Practice at home with them. That allows your child to try new things without the self-consciousness of being around peers.

COACH IS TOO COMPETITIVE

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Investigate programs before signing your child up for one.

STAGE FRIGHT

Some kids are not natural athletes or may be shy or uncomfortable with the pressure of being on a team.

Friday Gym Rotation (does **not** include 3rd grade): Please remind your student to bring their PE shoes on their class' scheduled gym day.

May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25
White	T. Nelson	J. Nelson	Roach
Clark	Lucas	Lucas	Magley
Agustin	Nielson	W-J	Weitkamp
Graham	Hanson	Lemkau	Schmieder
Wright	Lobdell	Bennett	Adams
		Branch	Dinneen

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Keep your expectations realistic. Let your child know the goal is to be fit and have fun. Find an activity that is a good match for your child. Free play can be important for kids who do not play a team sport. These activities might include shooting hoops, riding bikes, playing tag, jumping rope or dancing. There are also many individual sports or other activities that can boost fitness such as swimming, hiking, gymnastics or martial arts. It might take several tries for your child to find an activity that is a good fit. But when they do, it is one big step toward developing active habits that can last a lifetime.

District News

Graduation dates

Ceremonies for each of the four high schools are coming soon!

- Cascade High School, June 16 at noon at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena
- Everett High School, June 16 at 7 p.m. at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena
- Jackson High School, June 16 at 3:30 p.m. at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena
- Sequoia High School June 14, 6 p.m. at Everett Civic Auditorium

New accountability system

In the new school accountability system launched this spring, schools are measured on assessment proficiency, student growth, graduation rates, English Learner progress, and school climate indicators, including attendance, dual credit opportunities, and 9th graders on track to graduation. Those guidelines are called the Washington School Improvement Framework and they are intended to help families understand

a fuller picture of school success. The district's 2017-18 Washington School Improvement Framework results are available on the [OSPI Report Card](#).

Next year's calendar

The calendar for next school year is part of the negotiations process with the teachers' bargaining unit. Negotiations for that contract have begun. During negotiation years, it's not unusual for those talks to continue into late August. In the past, we have traditionally started school the Wednesday after Labor Day, which would be Sept. 5 this year. The district will use the website, email, phone, text messaging and social media to announce the calendar when contract negotiations are complete.

Summer school registration

[Registration materials are now online](#). Summer programs for high school students include opportunities to strengthen the skills and knowledge required for the district core expectations, repeat courses, extend their interests in academic areas, and



take new courses. Tuition-based summer programs are offered for students through Online High School and at Cascade High School. Elementary and middle school summer programs are available for specific students who need academic support.

Before- and after-school care

Many parents rely on before- and after-school childcare to help juggle busy schedules. Currently, YMCA provides before- and after-school care at six elementary schools and the Boys & Girls Club provides care at one school. The district is in the process of soliciting applications from vendors to provide before- and after-school care at more elementary schools to provide greater flexibility and more choice for parents, and to increase student enrichment opportunities. For more information about the application process, please contact Cynthia Jones, Director of Categorical Programs, at cjones@everettsd.org, 425-385-4039.

Let's talk about growth

Since the 2018 Capital Bond proposal did not meet the 60 percent supermajority needed to pass in February, the school board is reviewing results and determining next steps to manage high school growth until a new high can be built. Three community conversations are scheduled this May to share information on implications of high school overcrowding and to gather input on options to manage this growth in the near future:

- May 15 Cascade High School, 6-7:30 p.m.
- May 17 Everett High School, 6-7:30 p.m.
- May 29 Jackson High School, 6-7:30 p.m.



Elementary boundaries

Does your student attend one of these elementary schools?

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| Cedar Wood | Silver Firs |
| Forest View | Silver Lake |
| Mill Creek | Woodside |
| Penny Creek | |

If so, the elementary school your child will attend may change beginning fall 2019 when the new Elementary School 18 opens at 4419 180th St. SE, Bothell. A committee of parents and principals representing each of these schools has been studying current boundaries and recently recommended modifications to the superintendent.

Review the recommendation and share your thoughts through the website until May 25. The superintendent will review input and make a recommendation to the school board on June 19. The board is expected to finalize boundaries in fall 2018 – a year prior to the new school's opening. Boundaries changes will go into effect September 2019. Find more [information about the boundary adjustment process](#) online, or by contacting Dr. Gerard Holzman at 425-385-4192.



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Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

- Affirmative Action Office – Carol Stolz, cstolz@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106
- Title IX Officer – Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104
- 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, rballbach@everettsd.org, 425-385-4063
- ADA Coordinator – Becky Clifford, bclifford@everettsd.org, 425-385-5250

HOME ACCESS CENTER



2500 Cadet Way– Everett WA 98208
425-385-7400

Sign up online for access!

[LMS / Overview](#)

Do you know you can view the following:

- Attendance
- Registration – contact information, teacher name
 - update your phone number and email in Home Access Center
- Grades
- Bus Route Information – Transportation 425-385-4144
- **FALL HOMEROOM TEACHER ASSIGNMENT (SEPTEMBER)**
Connect – ED phone call will not be made with classroom assignment

Parent/Guardian, do you need a login/password?

1. Request a login/password from lms@everettsd.org
Include:
 - a. student's name, school ID and/or date of birth
 - b. parent/guardian name
 - c. relationship to student (mother, father, guardian, etc.)
2. LMS will email or mail you Login ID and TEMPORARY password
(only to the address on file with Jefferson Elementary)
3. AFTER you change the temporary password, you will have access to student info

Do you have more than one child? Do you want to use one login for all of them?
Ask Jefferson Elementary to link all of your students to one account



HOME ACCESS CENTER “INFO” SITE

Home Access Center (HAC) allows all K-12 students and parents to see a month view of their attendance, report cards, discipline, IEP plan, and update their own phone or email information.

1. To sign into HAC, go to Everett Public Schools’ website: www.everettsd.org and click on Grades & More icon.
2. Click on the “Info” icon to access HAC to see transcript, test scores, attendance and more.

Welcome to Learning Management Services

Click the icon/picture for the system that best matches your purpose.



Click here to see transcript, test scores and more.



**All Levels K-12
Home Access Center**

- District/State Test scores
[\(Directions for viewing SBA results\)](#)
- Quick view attendance
- Update parent email and phone numbers
- Special Education (IEP)
- View discipline

**Middle/High School
Gradebook**

[New View - 6-27-17](#)

- Assignments
- Attendance Reports (customizable)
- Email Subscriptions (by class and assignments)

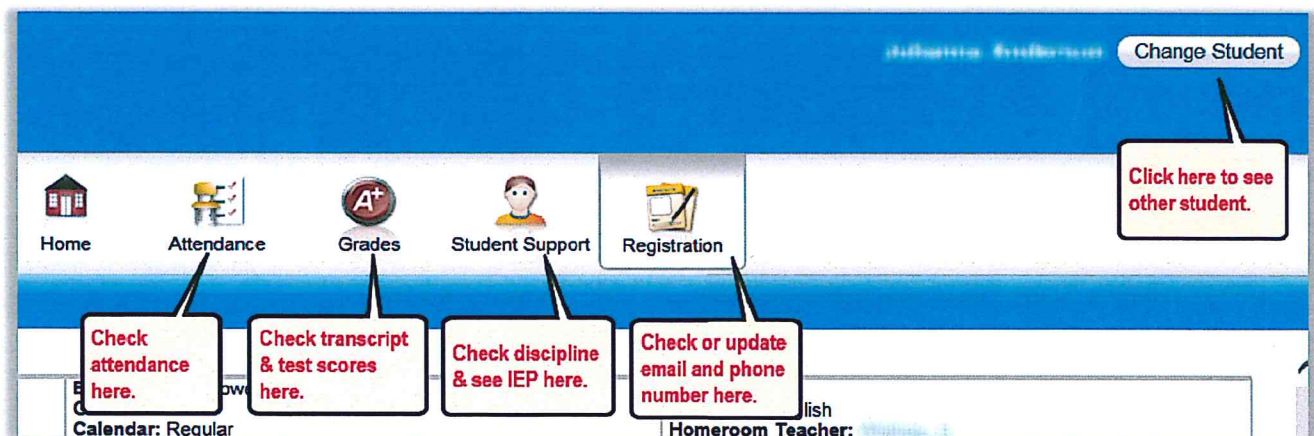
Home tab will show useful school links.

Attendance tab will show the attendance records.

Grades tab will show high school transcripts, test scores and more.

Student Support tab will show discipline and IEP information.

Registration tab will show basic student demographics and contact information. You can update your phone number and email address in this section.



The screenshot shows the LMS interface with a blue header and a navigation bar. A 'Change Student' button is in the top right. The navigation bar includes icons for Home, Attendance, Grades, Student Support, and Registration. Below the navigation bar, callout boxes provide instructions for each tab: 'Check attendance here.' for Attendance, 'Check transcript & test scores here.' for Grades, 'Check discipline & see IEP here.' for Student Support, and 'Check or update email and phone number here.' for Registration. A separate callout box points to the 'Change Student' button with the text 'Click here to see other student.'