Lowell Leopard News

LOWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Hello Lowell Leopards-

Welcome back to school after what I hope was a restful and wonderful winter holiday break. The staff was very eager to return this week because we missed our Lowell students. The students also seemed eager to return, even if they were a bit tired the first day ©. It is hard for all of us to get back on the regular schedule after having some time off.

As we return to school in 2018, I look forward to this second half of school being highly productive and continuing our focus on being an amazing place for your child to learn. We have a lot to accomplish and we appreciate your support in ensuring students are at school each day and on time. Thank you and let's make 2018 the best year yet at Lowell Elementary School!

Cindy Foster, Principal

<u>Lowell Motto</u> I work hard. I show respect. I make good choices. I am a Lowell Leopard!





Cindy Foster Principal

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Jan. 5 Learning Improvement Friday release at 1:35

Jan. 12 Learning Improvement Friday release at 1:35

Jan. 15 No School – Martin Luther King Day

Jan. 18 PTA meeting a 7:00 pm in the Lowell Cafeteria

Jan. 19 Dad"s and Doughnuts in the Lowell Cafeteria at 7:30 am

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Congratulations to the winners of the motto rewards program - Grayson, Lincoln, Anita, Issac, and Danny (above left) Also, Alex, Samuel, Christina, Sherlene, and Emily (above right). These students were "caught" representing our motto through positive actions. We are very proud of them!



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. This year, they were named a Board of Distinction. You can learn more about <u>board members online</u>.

Smarter Balanced Assessments

Because Smarter Balanced Assessments are such an important topic for families, the link to everything you ever wanted to know about these tests is in the Quicklinks section on the district home page.

2018 Capital Bond and Replacement Levy

The school board voted to propose a Capital Bond to meet future readiness needs and a Replacement Levy to replace the expiring one. If voters approve both the Capital Bond and Replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy on Feb. 13, 2018, tax collections to complete those projects begin in 2019. That year the local school tax rate is projected to be \$4.89 per each \$1,000 of property value. That rate is the lowest local school tax rate for property owners in the district since 2013. Find more information on the district website.

Support for students in temporary or inadequate housing



If your family is in a temporary or inadequate living situation due to a loss of housing or a family crisis, your child may be eligible for certain educational rights and services. If you lost your housing and now live in a shelter, motel, vehicle, camping ground, temporary trailer, on the street, doubled up with family or friends, or in another type of temporary or inadequate housing, your child might be able to receive help through a federal law called the McKinney-Vento Act. The McKinney-Vento Act may be able to provide support through transportation so that your child can continue enrolled in school, or through access to programs and services so that your child can participate fully in school.

Please contact your child's counselor or Amy Perusse, McKinney-Vento Facilitator, <u>aperusse@everettsd.org</u>, 425-385-4032, for more information.



Kindergarten registration begins in March

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2018? Registration begins on March 5, 2018, at all 17 district elementary schools. Which school will your kindergartner attend? To find out, click on School and Route Finder under the Parents tab, or call the transportation office at 425-385-4144.

Mobile app

Have you downloaded the mobile app yet? The latest news and information from schools in Everett Public Schools is now available on smartphones and mobile devices with a new mobile app. Everett Public Schools is expanding its communications outreach with a free mobile app that is now available in the online iTunes® and Google Play® app stores.







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