

# Lowell Leopard News

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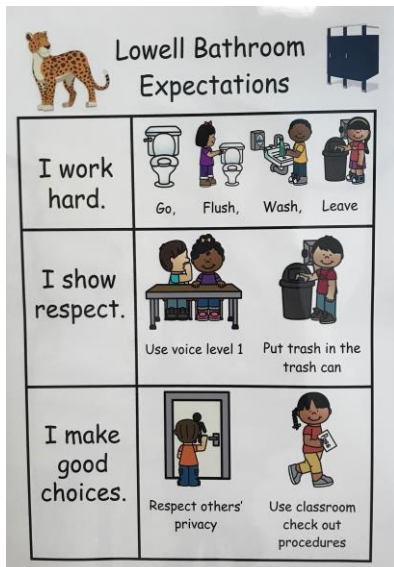
HAPPY ★ NEW ★ YEAR

Hello Parents!

Happy New Year! We are very excited here at Lowell to welcome in 2020. We know it is going to be a year of success for our students. With the new year, we are taking time to review our common area behavior expectations by conducting a mid-year rodeo. A rodeo is when students tour the school on the first day back and stop at important common areas to review the expectations for that area. For example, classrooms stop by the bathrooms and have a refresher on the bathroom expectations of- go, flush, wash and leave. Or they visit the playground and are reminded to put away equipment at the end of recess and to always go to line up at the first whistle. Additionally, teachers are taking time our first week back to review their classroom behavior expectations. Each classroom has created a behavior matrix that reminds students of the expectations for each area of learning. For example, classrooms have expectations for sitting on the carpet or how to behave when sitting at their desk.

We feel it is important to review behavior expectations because when we do this staff and students are all on the same page and we are speaking a common language. When we did the rodeo at the beginning of the school year we found our school to be much more orderly and calm. We are looking forward to that same result with the mid-year rodeo. For the next few parent newsletters we will post the common area expectations so you can review them with your child at home. Below, is our first one, the common area expectations for bathrooms. Thank you for your support!

Cindy Foster  
Principal



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**Jan. 24th**

LIF Friday – release at 1:35 pm

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Dads and Doughnuts at 7:45 am

**Jan. 27th**

No School – Teacher Work Day

**Jan. 31st**

LIF Friday – release at 1:35 pm

**Feb. 7th**

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Children's Museum Night 6:00pm at Children's Museum

**Feb. 14th**

LIF Friday – release at 1:35

**Feb. 17th & 18th**

No School – mid-winter break



**Missoula Children's Theatre is returning to help Lowell Students put on a performance! Our play will be *The Snow Queen* and here's the version it will be based on:**

#### **THE SNOW QUEEN**

Although set in a “land of colored ice,” this classic tale will warm your heart in its illustrative retelling by a group of fun-loving, imaginative hobgoblins. As they depict the journey of a young girl and her quest to find her best friend, you may just find yourself believing in malevolent mirrors, yetis, talking reindeer, and snow chickens! Blizzards can come at any moment, so strap on some snowshoes and get ready to discover what it takes to overcome chilling obstacles, keep resilience alive, and melt down the Snow Queen’s icy walls.

**We have spots for about 60 students to be involved! We have one week to pull it all together so to audition you must:**

- Be willing to be on stage and talk in front of an audience
  - Need to be on time and present ALL day on Audition Day
  - Need to have transportation to and from Lowell at your assigned times, and to and from EHS Civic Auditorium on Friday and Saturday.
  - Commit to coming to **all** rehearsals and **both** performances
- \*Unfortunately there are no exceptions (doctor appts, sports, etc) to the two statements above as we need all of the time to be ready! We only have one week!

#### **Our timeline looks like this:**

February 6th - Audition Permission Forms sent home in Thursday envelopes

February 14th - Permission forms need to be returned **by** noon to office

\*Everyone who turns in a completed form **by** noon on February 14th **AND** who is present and on time on Audition Day gets to audition

February 27th - Reminder notes go home to all who are auditioning

March 2nd - Closed auditions after school; announcement of cast at 5:00

March 2nd - Rehearsals after school 2:50-7:20 with times depending on your assigned role. Lead roles usually stay late and are typically 4th and 5th graders.

March 6th - Performance at EHS Civic Auditorium at 6:30 pm

March 7th - Performance at EHS Civic Auditorium at 10:30 am



## 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 [board members online](#). You can also watch past school board meetings on the district's YouTube channel.

## Good Citizenship Day



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 <https://www.everettsd.org/>
- 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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[www.everettsd.org](http://www.everettsd.org)

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Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

- Affirmative Action Officer – Randi Seaberg, [rseaberg@everettsd.org](mailto:rseaberg@everettsd.org), 425-385-4104
- Title IX Officer – Mary O'Brien, [MO'Brien@everettsd.org](mailto:MO'Brien@everettsd.org), 425-385-4106
- 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, [rballbach@everettsd.org](mailto:rballbach@everettsd.org), 425-385-4063
- ADA Coordinator – Becky Clifford, [rclifford@everettsd.org](mailto:rclifford@everettsd.org), 425-385-5250