Hello Garfield Families,

Hard to believe this brings our school year to a close. It will be a busy end with celebrations and taking care of closing up the school. This has been quite a year! I have appreciated each of you for sticking with us and helping us get through the end of the school year while learning from home! Thank you for all the work to get the i-Ready diagnostics in math and reading done from home. If your student completed both the reading and math diagnostic look for a special treat from me coming in the mail in the next couple of weeks!

I am so proud of our students and how they have persevered during this difficult, uncertain time. I have enjoyed getting to see them on zooms but can’t wait until we can see each other at Garfield! We won’t know about the return until August. As soon as I know more and have a plan I will be communicating that with you. If you are not receiving emails from me such as the invites to Meet with the Principal zooms, i-Ready information and the Tiger News from Mrs. Stilwell on Sundays please call our office (425) 385-4700 and give us your email address. We will make sure to have your address corrected so you will receive my messages. This is important as this will be a key way for us to remain connected during the summer and leading into the launch of the new school year!

I hope each and every one of you is able to enjoy some rest and relaxation this summer. For those moving on to middle school – congratulations! I am so very proud of you and all you have done. I know our Garfield Tigers will do well in middle school!

Please take care and remember you can reach out to me via email all summer long. And you be hearing from me in August to launch the 2020-2021 school year.

Thank you so much Garfield community. Have a safe and fun summer!

All the best, Kathleen Stilwell
Social & Emotional Health during school closure
COVID-19 Coronavirus webpage

Stay informed by visiting the COVID-19 Coronavirus webpage www.everettsd.org/COVID-19. Here, you will find messaging to families, information on family tech support, learning engagement, Class of 2020 support, helpful resources, FAQ's and more related to school building closure.

YEARBOOKS FOR SALE!
To order you Garfield yearbook go to:
https://commpe.pictavo.com

$20.00

For more information go to the Garfield Facebook page

What will the 2020-21 school year look like?

Thank you for understanding the complexity of decisions for the fall. Right now, we are focused on finishing the school year well, and are following the guidance of OSPI and the state for developing plans for the fall. Realistically, with the current unknowns, we won’t be able to finalize a plan until early August.

Final Curbside pick-up

There will be a second parent pick-up event at our schools on select dates between June 12-19 for families to collect any remaining student items and to return library books, textbooks, musical instruments, etc.

Final Curbside pick-up at Garfield Elementary

Return library books, get yearbooks (pre-purchased), claim lost and found items and turn in chromebooks and hotspots (5th graders and those moving only).

June 17 June 18 June 19
When does school end this year?

June 5 is not an early release day but will follow the current modified structure.
Learning Improvement Fridays (LIF) are suspended through June 19 to follow the current modified structure.
June 19 is the new last day of school. June 12 is the last day for seniors.

Stuff the Bus is coming!

With the support of our generous community, the Everett Public Schools Foundation is hosting its 11th annual Stuff the Bus for Kids school supply drive. Last year the Foundation delivered over 1,900 backpacks to students and hope to deliver the same number this year. Look for collection bins at local businesses during the month of August and look for big yellow Durham school buses parked outside Fred Meyer in Mill Creek and QFC on Evergreen Way Aug. 14-16. For questions, please contact Kirsten Hansen at k.hansen@everettsd.org.

Kindergarten Registration (Class of 2033)

If your child will be five years old by August 31, 2020, it’s time to register for kindergarten! Online registration is available at www.everettsd.org. Register now to access information about your school’s kindergarten program and receive a parent resource and children’s book “Kindergarten, Here I Come!” Registration also reserves your child’s spot in Everett Ready, our transition-into-kindergarten program scheduled for August 17-21, at our elementary schools. Contact EarlyLearning@everettsd.org with any questions.

To find out which school your kindergartener will attend, click on Path Finder on the district’s transportation webpage or call the transportation office at 425-385-4144.

Vaccinations for next year

Now is the time to plan for the vaccinations your child will need before he or she enrolls next fall. We encourage you to obtain these vaccinations this school year and report them to the school nurse or office staff at your child’s school. We’ll track that information in the school database, which will help you avoid getting calls and overdue letters in the fall. More information can be found on the district’s immunizations webpage.

Summer school

Everett Public Schools offers a variety of summer learning opportunities. 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. Elementary and middle school summer programs are available for specific students who need academic support.

Summer Reading Program

Everett Public Schools looks forward to another successful year of its summer reading program. Please watch your school’s website for details about this summer’s reading program.
School supply lists
Looking to get a jump start on next year’s school supplies this summer? You can find the school supply list on your school’s website under Our School around the last week of school.

Summer meals
Did you know that all children ages 1-18 can participate in the summer meal program? Summer meals will start on June 22nd at select locations and times. Find more details on the Food and Nutrition Department website.

The 2020 capital projects bond
Now, more than ever, schools are the heart of our community. Investing in our schools continues our focus on not only academics, but the well-being of every student in our district. Schools are a community resource and they need to be invested in.

Due to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, on March 24, 2020 the school board approved Resolution 1228 postponing the April 28 bond proposition until a future time to be determined by the board.

On May 5, the school board approved Resolution 1230 to place the unchanged $317.4 million bond proposition on the August 4, 2020 special election ballot.

The 2020 bond focuses on STEM, Safety, Equity and Space.

To find out more details on all of the bond 2020 projects, visit www.everettsd.org/bond2020.

Please remember to vote on August 4, 2020