

Silver Lake Mustang News

SILVER LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Parents and Guardians,

November is here and fall is upon us. This means colder weather and the need for students to stay warm during the morning and during recess. Please be sure to dress your students appropriately to protect from the elements with sweaters, sweatshirts, gloves, and/or jackets. With two months of school behind us, we start November with our parent teacher conference week. Please be sure to schedule time with your student's teachers in order to hear about their current learning progress and their learning goals for next few months. Be sure to ask your teacher about your student's progress in iReady since it is a great monitoring tool for learning.

Student achievement begins with great school attendance. Along with being at school consistently, our student's learning is impacted when they are arriving late or leaving early since they miss out on crucial instruction. As we partner together to build great habits for our students, it important that we avoid having our students be late to class since it causes disruptions to their learning and the learning of others. As a reminder, students may arrive on campus starting at 8:55 a.m. (unless they are participating in a before school program/patrols) with classes begin at 9:15 a.m. Similarly, students who leave school early miss out on valuable instructional time as our teachers try to maximize every teachable moment in their classroom. As a reminder, dismissal is at 3:30 p.m. during regular school days and at 2:15 p.m. on Learning Improvement Fridays.

Under our state guidelines on student attendance, students missing more than 30 minutes of day and less than half of a school day will be recorded with a partial-day absence. If a student misses more than half of the school day, their attendance is recorded as a full-day absence. As a reminder, attendance letters are sent out if an absence is not reported/excused Parents/guardians then have 30 days to excuse the absence. As we support your students, tardy letters will be sent out if your student begins to accumulate several tardies and/or half day absences.

We understand that life happens and that our student's attendance is impacted by things may be out of our control. As partners in your student's success, please let us know if there is any assistance needed from us to help you get your students to school on time. Thank you for sharing your students with us. Go Mustangs!

Daniel Natividad, Principal

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Nov. 1

Early Release, 1:00 p.m.

Nov. 4-8

CONFERENCE WEEK! & BOOK FAIR
Early Release, 1:00 p.m.

Nov. 6

NO Soccer Club

Nov. 13

Vision Screening
Soccer Club, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Nov. 14

Family Reading Night, 6-7:00 p.m., Library

Nov. 15

Spirit Day – Pajama Day
LIF Friday, 2:15 p.m. Release

Nov. 18

PTA General Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Library

Nov. 19

Picture Re-take Day

Nov. 20

Soccer Club, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Nov. 21

Family Game Night, 4 – 6:00 p.m., Library

Nov. 22

First Free Popcorn Friday
Learning Improvement Friday, 2:15 p.m.
Natural Leaders Forum, 5-6:30 p.m., Library
PTA Movie Night, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., SLE Café

Nov. 27

Early Release, 1:00 p.m.
NO Soccer Club

Nov. 28 & 29

Thanksgiving Break
NO SCHOOL



Holiday Season

Here at Silver Lake Elementary we love to see our kids each day. The Holiday season is coming up and we know there will be plans to travel and visit families both near and far.

Thanksgiving break starts with a **1:00 p.m. early release on November 27 and Thanksgiving Break from November 28 - November 29.** The winter holiday break is **December 23 - January 3.**

Please keep these dates in mind as you make your plans.



Counseling Corner

Popcorn Fridays!



Friday, November 22 is our first popcorn Friday of this school year.

Anyone interested in helping, please come learn how to run the machine and meet some of our awesome parent volunteers.

Donations are also needed to help this program continue.

Money is preferred due to allergy safety.



Any donations can be sent with your student to school in an envelope marked "Popcorn Donation."

Any questions – ask Mrs. Surowiec or any Natural Leaders parent!



We've got spirit, yes we do!

We've got spirit, how 'bout you?

Order your shirt or sweatshirt today to show your SLE Mustang spirit! Both Youth and Adult sizes are available! Order forms are due by Weds., Nov. 6th. Additional order forms can be picked up in the office. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. McGregor or Mrs. Martinez.



Mustang Milers is on the move Friday mornings

Mustang Milers Club starts up November 1st and is offered every **Friday morning from 8:35 to 8:55 AM**. During this optional before school club students walk or jog laps on our track or undercover area, or in the gym – depending on the weather. Signed permission slips are required before participating; these are available in the school office. If dropping off students early for Mustang Milers, **please use the back parking lot - and a coach needs to be present plus it needs to be 8:35 AM (or later - NOT earlier; and please note the cafeteria will not open early)**. If early transportation is an issue, participants can join in anytime during the 20-minutes. At each session, the student needs to check in with one of the club's advising teachers. Enrollment is open through April, the program continues until June. This is a fitness club or activity, with students earning a small token after completing miles (walking or jogging 5 miles = one token). Students do not need to attend all sessions or each Friday to participate. Parent volunteers are welcome, please see the district website or contact our office. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Bence at RBence@everettsd.org or Mrs. Montiel at AMontiel@everettsd.org or call 425-385-6900.

Start training for our school's fun run and come to Mustang Milers!



From the Library – Book Fair!

- **The dates and times of the Book Fair:**
 - Monday 11/04 1:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
 - Tuesday - Thursday 11/05-11/07 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
- **We are looking for volunteers to:**
 - Help “tear” down on 11/07 after the fair is closed at 4:30 p.m.
 - Help run the register during the fair.
 - Help students find books during the fair.
 - No experience necessary.
 - Earn a free book for every hour worked.



Friday, November 8



(Invitations to follow in kid-mail soon)

Grades 1 – 5 in the Café from 9:40 – 10:20 a.m.

Kindergarten in the Gym from 12:00 – 12:20 p.m.

Twitter



Follow us on Twitter as we share insights and updates!

Go to https://twitter.com/EPS_SilverLake and see what's happening in OUR school.

#EPS_AlwaysLearning #EPS_Principals

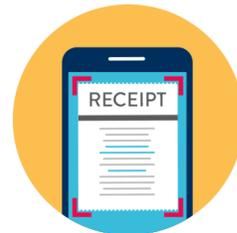




Box Tops for Education is going digital! No more clipping!

For over 20 years, Box Tops for Education has given families an easy way to earn cash for our school, with products we already buy! Now you can simply scan your store receipt (within 14 days of purchase) with the Box Tops FREE mobile app to identify participating products and instantly add cash to our PTA's earnings online!

If you have older Box Tops that are not digital, please continue to send them in to school to be counted. Box Tops will still be accepting clipped ones until they expire in 2021. **If you have any questions, please ask Melissa Martinez, PTA Box Top Coordinator.**



Upcoming Event

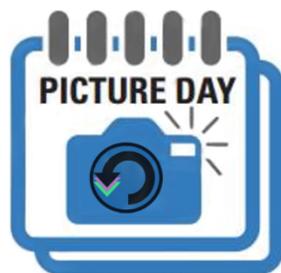


Family Reading Night

November 14 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.



SLE Library



RETAKES

Tuesday, November 19



Apex Fun Run will be kicking off with a pep rally on Friday, November 15! They will receive their pledge pouches and get pumped up for this fundraiser! As you know, this is our **ONE BIG** fundraiser per year that funds our PTA events! Let's make this the BEST year yet!! The following week they will learn some amazing leadership skills, earn some cool gear (with pledges) and get ready to rock those laps!! Pledges will be in the form of a flat donation (\$5, \$10 and so on) or a per lap pledge that will not exceed 36 laps (\$1 per lap @ 36 laps ran = \$36).

The Fun Run will be held on Tuesday, November 26. If you would like to volunteer for the Fun Run, please contact your child's teacher. Please note you must be a district approved volunteer to help with this event. This process can take up to two weeks, so get those applications filled out. If you need assistance please contact Mrs. Surowiec at csurowiec@everettsd.org and she will gladly walk you through the process! In addition to ALL of that, our school cannot have younger siblings coming to participate or help with the Fun Run in any way, thank you your understanding. **On your mark, get set, GO!!**

District Updates

Accepting Highly Capable nominations until Dec. 18

Find forms, information and evening events on the [Highly Capable website](#). Referrals are for students currently in grades one through four for winter testing, which will take place on February 1, 2020.

Remember to vote Nov. 5

Remember to deliver your ballot to a ballot drop box near you or put it in the mail by Nov. 5 – postage is not required for ballots.



Everett Public Schools is hiring!

Are you interested in working for the school district? Full-time, part-time and substitute positions are available. The schedule for many classified positions is the same as the student day. Training is provided, and benefits are available for many positions. We have a strong need for substitute teachers, classified staff including regular and substitute paraeducators, office staff, custodial and food service positions.

Join us! <http://www.everettsd.org/jobs>



Did you miss a call from us?

If you missed a call from your school, please first check your voice mail or your email for the message rather than calling the school. Schools are often inundated with phone calls from parents after they send an automated call and cannot answer all of the calls. If you want to change your contact information, please let the school office know.

School performance report

Our school's performance report is available online on each school's website. More information is available on the [Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction website](#). Click on "State Report Card" and select Everett from the list of districts.

Test scores show ... our students rock!

Did you know that our student assessment scores last year outperformed the state's average assessment scores **in every subject!** Students are working hard in their learning, and staff are providing students with the targeted, coordinated supports they need to excel. We have more work to do and are going to accomplish it by focusing on reading at early levels and strong monitoring and collaboration.

FAFSA season has begun!

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is an office of the U.S. Department of Education. FAFSA coordinates with postsecondary schools and financial institutions to help students and families pay for college. Watch for FAFSA completion events happening around the district. Find more information at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Family health safety tip

Vaping has been in the news a lot this summer and fall due to many youth and young adults across the nation being hospitalized for respiratory issues, including respiratory failure. A few cases have been reported in our state. Teens may believe vaping is less harmful than smoking. Vaping devices are increasingly popular among middle and high school students and a new generation is getting addicted to nicotine. According to the Snohomish Health District's Washington Healthy Youth Survey:

11% of 8th graders, 23% of 10th graders and 31% of 12th graders currently use vapes.



Learn about the dangers of vaping as well

as resources for teens to quit by visiting Snohomish Health District’s webpage. The sooner one quits, the faster their body, and lungs, can rebound and repair themselves. www.snohd.org/273/Vaping-Vapor-Products

Is your family prepared?

Does your family have a plan in case of bad weather, school closure or delay? Who will pick up your student, if needed? How will you communicate if phone lines are jammed? Do you have needed emergency supplies in your car and at home?

[Snohomish County Emergency Management](#) has helpful online resources to help you create, and practice emergency response plans with your family and neighborhood.



Online safety tips

- Keep the computer in a busy area of your home.
- Use an app to keep an eye on your child’s online activity on their device.
- Talking about cyberbullying; ask if someone they know has been a victim. Ask if they have been victimized.
- Set up email and social media accounts with your children. Know their screen names and passwords and explain the reasons for not including any personal information in profiles.

Know who is in the “buddy lists.” Get to know the cyberfriends as well as you do those who visit your home. Parents and guardians may find the following resources helpful to begin a conversation about the dangers of engaging in cyberbullying and how to stay safe online:

- [Stop Bullying Now](#)
- [Ms. Parry’s Guide to Correct Online Etiquette](#)
- [Common Sense Media](#)

Find out what Everett Public Schools students learn about digital citizenship on the district [Learning Management Services website](#).



Food and nutrition

This month, the Food and Nutrition Department brings you mushrooms grown in the PNW! Be sure to give them a try this month in our vegetable medley and on the salad bar.

Did you know that mushrooms are composed of 90% water and contain over a dozen vitamin and minerals? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on our website at

<https://www.everettsd.org>. Don’t leave me, I’m a fungi!





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.

Report it!

3 easy ways

Text or call

 855-637-2095

 1350@alert1.us

 <https://everett-wa.safeschoolsalert.com>



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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.

Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

- Title IX Officer/Civil Rights Compliance Officer – Mary O'Brien, MO'Brien@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213
- 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, rballbach@everettsd.org, 425-385-4063, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213
- ADA Coordinator – Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213