

# Silver Lake Mustang News

SILVER LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal

Dear Silver Lake Families,

Spring has arrived which means the refreshing change in the season and the renewal of our connections. Unfortunately, we are facing some unprecedented challenges that has changed a lot of the ways we work, learn, and interact. In the name of safety, we are being asked to engage in social distancing which leads to us to disconnect. Facing these challenges with you all, our staff has quickly learned and adapted the way we support and engage our students and families. During this time of uncertainty, it will be our connections and our partnerships that will ensure the success of our students.

As partners in our students' success, [we ask](#) that you do the following:

1. Have your students check their google [classrooms](#) daily. This is the main platform where our teachers will post their weekly and daily schedules, their activities, and their assignments.
2. Remind your students to work on their [iReady](#) lessons for both reading and math. This is a valuable tool that will maintain and grow their skills.
3. Encourage your students to participate in the Zoom sessions that your teacher schedules. Zoom is our two-way video conferencing application. During these Zoom sessions, your students will connect with their teachers and classmates on their different assignments.
4. At the end of the "school day", please check on your students' work. Being a parent of three kids, if they know that I'm checking their work, they will usually finish their work.
5. Reach out as often as needed with your teachers through email if you have any questions or needs. They are there to help.

As parents, we are being bombarded with so much information right now which is leading to anxiety and uncertainty for our students. If there is one last tip we would recommend, it would be to create a sense of security by taking the time to slow down and cuddle up with your kids to read to them or with them. Perfectly stated by Jim Trelease, "we read to children for all of the same reasons we talk to them: to reassure, to bond, to grow curiosity, to inspire." Reading to your children at night before they fall asleep will create a sense of calm and closeness for them. This reinforcing of your



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## APRIL EVENTS

Please keep checking your email, our school website, and the EPS District website for upcoming events and other informational updates



connections with them cannot be replicated, so if you make time for nothing else each day, please read to your children every day.

In a time of social distancing and disconnection, it going to be important for us to strengthen our [connections](#) with each other. As always, our staff is committed to the success of our students and our community. Regardless of how long we may face these challenges, I know we get through this and become stronger together.



Daniel Natividad, Principal  
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### **Hello Silver Lake Families!**

I hope this message finds you all well. This has been a difficult journey for all of us. The closing of schools was a hard adjustment and being quarantined at home has been extremely difficult. My hope is that you are able to find the blessings in being home with your families.

During the school closure I will be updating my website frequently to include resources for families, information for talking to kids about COVID-19, and student engagement opportunities. If you are in need of any resources for your family, please contact me. The uncertainty of life right now can be stressful on all of us -- especially our kids. If you would like me to check in with your child, I would be happy to! Please have them either fill out the Google Survey linked on my website homepage, or contact me by email.

I miss seeing all of you! Please know you are in my thoughts.

**My website:** <https://www.everettsd.org/domain/2046>

Take Care,  
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## District News

### School closure resources

Watch for all Coronavirus updates at [www.everettsd.org/COVID-19](http://www.everettsd.org/COVID-19).

### Kindergarten registration happening now

During the current school closure, you can register for kindergarten in 3 ways:

1. Online! Scroll down and register online in the language of your choice.
2. [Download and print the paper forms](#).\*
3. Pick up a pre-printed registration packet from the reception desk at the Community Resource Center, located at 3900 Broadway in Everett, during business hours.\* (The CRC will be closed March 19, 20 and 23).

\*For options 2 and 3, please complete the paper registration materials and gather the required documents listed [here](#). Once school reopens, please take the completed forms and required documents to your neighborhood elementary school to complete your student's enrollment.

If you have questions, please email the Early Learning Department at [EarlyLearning@everettsd.org](mailto:EarlyLearning@everettsd.org). Thank you!

### Easy access with district app

Download and log into the district app to quickly and easily access your student's info. Pay lunch balances, see books checked out from the library, and find the staff directory, school websites, calendars and more.

The free mobile app is available in the online iTunes® and Google Play® app stores. Search for "Everett Public Schools."

Once you've downloaded the app, log in to "student info" with your LMS password to see student-specific information for each of your children. Choose to read content in one of many languages in the settings.

### Thank you, volunteers!

April 20-24 is Public Schools Volunteer Appreciation Week. We are grateful for the many volunteers who support students and staff, many of them each and every school day. With activities ranging from reading with students, to playground supervision support, Watch D.O.G.S., and chaperoning field trips, your help matters. Our volunteers contribute to making school the best part of a student's day. Thank you!



## ECEAP preschool accepting applications for 2020-21

Everett Public Schools Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP) is a FREE preschool program for three- and four-year-old children from families with limited income. ECEAP prepares children for kindergarten and provides family support and health and nutrition services. It is funded by the Washington State Department of Early Learning.

The five ECEAP sites within our school district are Garfield, Hawthorne, Lowell, Madison and Silver Lake elementary schools. Space is limited – apply early! For an application or more information, please call 425-385-4628 or visit the [district ECEAP website](#).



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**Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:**

- **Title IX/Civil Rights Compliance Officer** – Mary O'Brien, MO'brien@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106, PO Box 2098, Everett, WA 98213
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