



Silver Lake Elementary
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Calendar

September 18 6:30 pm PTA General Meeting, Library	19 School Picture Day	20	21	22 <i>POPCORN FRIDAY!</i> LIF Release – 2:15 pm
25	26	27	28 6 – 6:45 pm & 7-7:45 pm Curriculum Night	29 LIF Release – 2:15 pm
October 2	3	4	5	6 LIF Release – 2:15 pm
9	10	11 5:30 pm High School & Beyond Night, Jackson High	12 5:00 pm High School & Beyond Night, Cascade High	13 NO SCHOOL

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome and Happy New Year!

Now that all of our children are here at Silver Lake it feels like a school again. For new families to our wonderful school community, a warm welcome to Silver Lake. We are proud to serve you and look forward to a great school year. You will receive this newsletter monthly, so thank you for taking the time to read it and note important dates and events. You can also go to our school website at

<https://www.everettsd.org/silverlakees> to stay abreast of school programs and activities.



Everyone at Silver Lake understands that safety is our number one priority. This first edition of the newsletter will cover our policies and procedures that help keep our students safe.

Thank you for taking the time to read and explain these points to your children:



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Drop-off/Pick-Up

We promise to never leave your child unattended—in the classroom, in the building, at lunch and recess, and before and after school. We have staff members that supervise our students at specific times of the day in order to ensure they are safe while at Silver Lake. Breakfast is served at Silver Lake beginning at 8:45 a.m. No students should be on campus before 8:45 a.m., the time our cafeteria doors open. If you need to drop your child off earlier, you will need to make arrangements with another parent or seek out a local childcare facility that is open before school. Our undercover student supervision at Silver Lake begins at 8:55 a.m. If your child does not eat breakfast at Silver Lake, they should not be on campus until 8:55 a.m.

The only parent parking on site is in the front parking lot. We have a “Kiss-and-Go” lane at Silver Lake for both drop-off and pick-up. Please note that if you are in the Kiss-and-Go lane you must remain in your car—both before and after school. Although you may think you can quickly drop off or pick up your child and get back to your car, sometimes it takes longer than expected and we do not want to hold up that moving line. If you need to get out of your car to pick up your child or put them into car seats, please park in the lot and pick up your child in the supervised area.

For parents/guardians who pick up their children in the back of the school, we have those students supervised by a staff member in the kindergarten round up area outside of Ms. Martinez’s and Mrs. Homchick’s classrooms. Please make plans to meet them there, and do not pick up your child from the bus line. It is expected that every student waiting in a bus line is going home on the bus.

For our new families at the Gateway Apartments (and those families who live back behind the school) we now have a “walking school bus” that ensures that your children get safely home from school. Students taking the walking school bus (recommended for grades K-3) line up under the covered area in the “Gateway Walkers” line which is located near the playground area. We leave Silver Lake 5-10 minutes after dismissal.

If your child is a walker and gets themselves to school, please remind them to use only the sidewalks and official walkways walking to or from school.

Finally, please have a specific plan for pick-up and communicate that to your child. Where will you pick them up? Is it okay for them to walk home? What should they do if you are late picking them up?



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Students need the same clarity in your directions as they do from their teachers in the classroom. Thank you for doing this as soon as possible.

Thank you for helping us keep all of our students safe all the way from your door to Silver Lake and back each day.

We Need Your Partnership!



Good school attendance is one of the primary indicators of school success.

Students cannot learn if they are not in school, so in advance, thank you for ensuring that your child is here on time each day. The first bell rings at 9:10 a.m. and the official start of the school day is 9:15 a.m. Our teachers

work extremely hard to prepare and deliver instruction from 9:15 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Unless necessary (medical appointment, family emergency), please do not pick up your child early from school. Every minute of our learning day counts!



One of the best ways to embrace the new school year is to get involved—both students and their parents. For our students, we have Soccer Club, Milers Club, and Robotics. For parents, joining and participating in PTA is the best way to stay

connected to your school and all that is happening. Please see the PTA news below regarding the first parent meeting here next week. Volunteering in classrooms and the lunchroom/recess gives you a glimpse at what your child is experiencing at school. Please be sure to complete the Volunteer Application (see the Parent section of the Everett Public Schools homepage to access the online application) in order to work with or supervise our students.

We are so proud of the Silver Lake community and look forward to our continued partnership with you, our valued parents and guardians, throughout this school year.

--Elizabeth Nunes, Principal



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Around the School, with
Mrs. Atregenio, School Counselor



Hello Families! It's that time again and we are so very excited to welcome your students back to school! This year I have the opportunity to mentor a school counseling student, Heather Rogers, who will be working at our school every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday throughout the school year. She is a positive addition to our school and you may have the wonderful opportunity to interact with her.



At Silver Lake, we also have the tradition of having free popcorn for all students once a month on Friday. The only way that we can make this happen is through generous donations from families and staff. It usually takes about 20 cents to pay for one bag, so if you are able to donate \$1.00 you can support 5 students enjoying free popcorn. If you choose to donate, please put money in an envelope and send it to school marked for popcorn donations, and your teachers will get it to me. We also need about 5 volunteers to help each month, which is a super fun opportunity to see the whole school smile with joy when you hand them their bag!

Staci Wight is the popcorn coordinator, and is excited to talk with any who are interested in helping. Her number is (206) 719-3823 if you want to text or call her for more info. The dates are: Sept. 22nd, Nov. 3rd, Dec. 8th, Jan. 12th, Feb. 2nd, Feb. 23rd, Mar. 16th, Apr. 20th, May 11th, and June 15th. Hours are from 9 to 2, but if you can come for any part of that it would be great!!



It is time for the first PTA meeting of the year!

Monday, September 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

IMPORTANT: Future school newsletters will be mailed out via email and available on our website at www.everettsd.org/silverlakees. If you do not have an email on file, please send us an email from the address you would like us to add to silverlakeattendance@everettsd.org. If you do not supply an email address, we will send home a hard copy with your student. There will always be hard copies available in the office.