

Madison Husky Highlights

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Dear Madison Family,

Wow! It is hard to believe how fast the year is going! It has been just about 3 months since you first turned your precious children over to my staff and me. We are so thankful for your kids. They really seem to love the school, and we love having them here.

As we approach the Winter Break, I want to remind families that attendance is so important, every day. It's hard for students to make up work when they miss school; lessons are carefully planned by teachers to address each student's learning needs, and these are hard to duplicate at home. We understand if your student is ill that they should stay home to get well, but otherwise, please make being here on time a family priority. Thank you!

Don't forget to have your students reading every evening. A quiet, comfy place to read is important. You can support your student's reading growth by asking them to tell you the main idea of the chapter they just finished, or tell you a new word he/she discovered and look up the definition together.

I am happy to acknowledge that we have a new PTA Board this year and they are super excited to support our school. We hope you were able to come and enjoy the Fall Festival that they produced in November. Keep an eye out on our website for more PTA events, such as Movie Nights, Skate Deck and more. If you don't belong to PTA, please consider joining to support our school PTA.

Yours in education,

Amanda M. Overly

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“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” – Nelson Mandela

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Dec. 1

Learning Improvement Friday
→ Dismissal at 1:35 pm

Dec. 7

Open Library with Mr. Kettler
→ 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Dec. 8

Learning Improvement Friday
→ Dismissal at 1:35 pm

Dec. 13

Monthly Coffee Hour
→ 8:30 – 9:30 am,
Cafeteria

Dec. 15

PTA's Popcorn Friday!
Learning Improvement Friday
→ Dismissal at 1:35 pm

Dec. 18-Jan. 1

Winter Break – School closed



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Prepare for bad weather

How to find emergency school schedule information (usually by 5:45 a.m.)

See [Safety and Emergencies](#) page under *Parents* tab on district website for full details and other resources.

- [FlashAlert.net](#): You can subscribe to receive notices at the same time those notices are sent to media outlets, or you can bookmark this site to check for a listing of regional school emergency schedule information.
- Media news reports (Media gets information from FlashAlert)
- District website: www.everettsd.org
- District information line at 425-385-4636
- *Blackboard Connect** calls, emails and text messages made to families usually by 5:45 a.m.
***Please be sure your contact information is current at your school.**
- Program [impact chart](#) outlines how various school programs and activities are impacted when school is cancelled or starts late.

No announcement means schools are on a regular schedule.

Snow routes are online!

School drop off and pick up locations may change in an emergency situation. If your child rides a bus to school, please become familiar with the [snow route information](#) on the district transportation department's webpage.

Volunteer application online

Want to attend a field trip this spring? Time to renew an expired volunteer application? [Apply or renew quickly and easily online](#). Applying online saves postage time and your application gets processed even faster.

Free research-based tools to help stop bullying

Stopbullying.gov has bullying prevention information and strategies. There are training modules, PowerPoints, toolkits, videos, resources, state-by-state laws and policies, suggestions about how to talk about bullying with your kids and much more.

Capital Bond and Replacement Levy elections is set for Feb. 13, 2018

School board okays Bond projects to meet future readiness needs and Levy to replace expiring one. Future readiness is the “why” behind the district’s Feb. 13, 2018 Capital Bond request, according to school board president Caroline Mason. “Bond funds are needed in three areas,” she said. “Growth readiness, career readiness and facilities readiness.” Click to read [news release](#).