

Jefferson Charger News

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Where did the time go?! It's hard to believe that we are just a few weeks away from ending the 2018-19 school year! As June 21 draws nearer, it's important to remember that every day will still be packed with learning and growth opportunities. Please help your child stay focused on school in this busy time. We have lots of fun special events coming up, from field trips to guest speakers, as well as the usual meaningful learning that goes on in classrooms every day.

As the year ends, we prepare to say goodbye to some staff members, to welcome new ones, and for others to change positions:

- Assistant Principal **Annette Sternberg** is leaving to be the full-time assistant principal at Forest View Elementary. The district is hiring an assistant principal to be here half-time next year.
- Third-grade Lighthouse teacher **Rebecca Camp** is moving to Eisenhower Middle School after 13 years at Jefferson to realize her hopes of teaching middle school math.
- Developmental kindergarten teacher **Amy Denham**, along with paraeducators **Laina Hall** and **Dhamayanthi Soundararajan**, is headed to Silver Lake Elementary as the DK program is being moved there.
- **Elizabeth Parks** and a team of three paraeducators are coming to Jefferson as their Extended Resource Room program is being moved here from Forest View Elementary.
- **Irena Kolosnitsyn** will teach third grade, and comes to us from Everett's Jackson Elementary School and Evergreen Middle School, where she has been teaching English learners.

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Elizabeth Kelley, Principal

Jefferson Elementary School

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June 5

Popcorn for sale at lunch

June 7

1:00 p.m. dismissal

PTA Carnival, 6-8 p.m. with check-in starting at 5:30 p.m.

June 14

Father's Day Breakfast, 8-8:40 a.m.

Learning Improvement 2:15 dismissal

June 19

5th Grade Celebration, 9:30 a.m.

Popcorn free for everyone at lunch!

June 20

Field Day, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

June 21

3:30 p.m. dismissal

(last day of school)

**June 26-August 14,
Wednesdays**

Library open 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

June 27-August 9

Office closed for the summer

Summer office hours: 8:00-4:30

with lunch closure 12:00-1:00



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- **Amy Stewart** from Travis Unified School District in Northern California will join our first-grade team, bringing experience as a reading interventionist and English learner coordinator.
- **Cindy Montzingo** will teach fourth-grade Lighthouse next year, and we say goodbye to **Jarucia Jaycox**. Ms. Montzingo comes to us with experience working in a parent co-op program, as well as having been a parent with children in one.
- **Andrea Gardner** will take on a new specialist position combining art and technology as we redesign our program for next year's implementation of a Chromebook for every student. Ms. Gardner comes to us from White Center Heights Elementary in South Seattle, and has a visual arts endorsement and a BA in education and digital multimedia art.
- Kindergarten teacher **Sarah Adams** will teach first-grade Lighthouse next year. First-grade Lighthouse teacher **Lindsey Wright** moves to kindergarten, along with first-grade teacher **Mary Elizabeth Branch**.
- Technology teacher **Angela Klujber** will take over the Jefferson library, and we will say goodbye to **Sam Schmeckpeper**.

I hope that the summer will be a time of continued learning for your child! One great way to do this is to participate in Everett Public Schools' summer reading program. Brochures describing the program and showing your child's summer reading goal will be mailed home with progress reports right after school ends. Jefferson's library will be open to support summer reading – checking out books, taking Accelerated Reader quizzes, etc. – from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 26 to Aug. 14. Students will also have access to AR quizzes from home over the summer, along with being able to use familiar websites such as IXL, i-Ready, and Keyboarding Without Tears.

Here are important back-to-school dates to be aware of:

- Orientation for kindergarten families is scheduled for 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3.
- Meet & Greet is from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3.
- The first day of school for grades 1-5 is Wednesday, Sept. 4.
- Kindergarten students begin school Monday, Sept. 9.

Here's another back-to-school reminder: You will not receive an automated phone call or e-mail with your child's teacher assignment the week before school starts. Instead, you will be able to log in to the district's Home Access Center (HAC) to see your child's teacher. Information on how to sign up for and access HAC is at the end of this newsletter, and on our website.

It has been an action-packed year at Jefferson. I hope that you and your students have had a great year here – whether it was your first, your last, or somewhere in between. I'd like to thank each and every one of our families for their support! Have a safe, fun summer!

Mrs. Kelley



From the Assistant Principal, Annette Sternberg

Check out this data...our student tardies have improved immensely!

Total Tardies Per Month			
	2017	2018	2019
January	314	364	143
February	193	267	151
March	357	355	222
April	168	199	173
May	402	312	286
Total by year	1,434	1,497	975

*data accurate as of 5/30/19

This month, the class with the highest number of students on time to school will earn lunch with Everett's own mayor, Cassie Franklin. Students are so excited to add that potato piece, hear the afternoon announcements of the number of tardies for the day, and listen to the continual improvements. We are grateful for the community support we have received to reduce the tardies at Jefferson. We have noticed a positive impact when No Tardy Taters was implemented, and all are having fun in this process. Thank you for your support!

Important Reminders from the Jefferson Office

Checking a student out early: When checking your student out early, please remember to have photo ID. Please note: Release of students to emergency contacts in non-emergency situations **requires** the express consent of a guardian. Please send a note to school with your student or call the office prior to their dismissal. It is a parent/guardian's responsibility to notify emergency contacts that the school may contact them in the case of an emergency.

Missing volunteer badges: Please check your cars, purses, bags, and homes for Jefferson Elementary volunteer badges. We are missing badge numbers: **1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 16, 18, 19, 22, and 24**. Please remember to turn in your badge before you leave!

Vacation-related absences: If you are planning a vacation and your student will be missing school, please visit the office to fill out an absence request form. Please note: Per district policy, we may only excuse up to five days for vacation or travel-related absences per year.

Visitors and volunteers: Please remember to sign in and out of the office. A volunteer badge or visitor sticker must be worn and visible at all times.

Update your e-mail address with the office: Providing us with an up-to-date e-mail will help us keep you current on school news and relay information about your child.

Are you planning to move for the 2019-20 school year? Please notify the office of this change as soon as possible, so we can better serve you when the time comes.

Kindergarten registration for 2019-20 is open! When registering your incoming kindergartener, please pick up a registration packet from the front office or print the complete packet at <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/4952>.



News from Around the School

News from ELA Coach Mrs. Erickson

Happy June! Our Summer Reading Program will be happening again this year. You will receive the brochure in the mail with your child’s report card the week after school gets out. Please hang onto the brochure; that’s how the kids will qualify for exciting prizes. Thank you for all your support this year. The students at Jefferson have made great progress this year. Enjoy the extra reading time that summer provides.

News from PE Teacher Ms. Rowe

The end of the school year is coming, which means FIELD DAY is near! Jefferson’s Field Day is scheduled for Thursday, June 20, from 9:30-11:00. **We are still in need of volunteers to help supervise field day stations for students.** If you would like to be a part of this fun day, please send me an e-mail at rowe@everettsd.org. If you have not already filled out the district’s volunteer application, please do so. This is something that you can complete online. Here is the link: <https://www.everettsd.org/domain/1452>. Thank you to the families who have already signed up to help on Field Day. More information will be coming as we get closer to the date. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me by phone at 425-385-7470 or by e-mail at the address above. Thank you for supporting your child to continue to stay healthy and active through the school year and into the summer season! ☺

Friday PE/Gym Rotation		
<i>Please remind your student to bring their PE shoes on their scheduled days.</i>		
June 7	June 14	June 21
Peterson	Clark	Hanson
Hanson	Graham	Lobdell
Neilson	Wright	Nielson
Vila-Henninger	Agustin	
Branch		

News from Librarian Mr. Schmeckpeper (Mr. Pepper)

As we prepare for summer, our library staff will be taking inventory our many books, cleaning shelves, and reorganizing. This means we will not be having checkout for the month of June. I hope you have enjoyed reading with your children, and I hope they have enjoyed the many books they have brought home. Please make sure all books are brought back as soon as possible! This helps us with our inventory process. We will be passing out late slips and fine slips so that you can look for books we are still missing. This summer the Library will be open 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 26 to August 14. I hope you and your children can take advantage of the various reading programs in our community this summer. Thank you for a great year as teacher librarian here at Jefferson! I have enjoyed getting to know all our great students.



News from Mrs. Klujber, Mr. Mackie and the Thunderbots Robotics Team

In the recent district competition, our two teams (the Jefferson Thunderbots and Jefferson Thunderbots 2) placed 7th and 11th among 27 elementary and middle school teams. It was our best performance yet! We have learned a lot and look forward to continuing the programming progress we are making. If you enjoy working together and solving problems creatively, consider joining the Jefferson Thunderbots robotics team next fall! Go Thunderbots!

News from the District

When does school end this year?

June 21 will be the last day of school and it is a full day with a regular dismissal time.

Reminder: Friday, June 7, students will be released 2.5 hours early and Friday, June 14, students will be released 75 minutes early.

SBA scores are coming soon

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) scores will be available for all families and students this summer in the online Home Access Center (HAC). Families will also receive a hard copy in September. Find tools for parents to understand those SBA scores on the [district assessment website](#).

How do I get the test scores? [Instructions are online](#). If you don't have an account or have questions, contact LMS@everettsd.org.

Stuff the Bus is coming!

With the support of our generous community, the Everett Public Schools Foundation is hosting its 10th annual Stuff the Bus for Kids school supply drive. Last year the Foundation delivered over 1,900 backpacks to students. This year they have requests for over 1,800 backpacks filled with school supplies. 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. 16-18.

URGENT NEED: The Foundation needs 700 high school backpacks. To purchase and donate a backpack and other preassembled schools supply kits, they have partnered with [Supply All Kids](#), or you can contact Kirsten Hansen at khansen@everettsd.org.



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.

Do you have a personal exemption for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)? That exemption may not be valid for next school year due to a new state law. Learn more on the [Washington State Department of Health's website](#).



Summer school registration is open!

[Registration materials are now online](#). 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 and at Cascade 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. We are partnering with Everett Public Library and Sno-Isle Libraries again this year. Watch your school's website for details about this summer's reading program. Students will receive incentives for reaching their reading goals, and schools that have at least 75 percent of their students reach their reading goals will be recognized by the district.



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 many children qualify to receive free summer meals thanks to a federal grant? Summer meals are available July 8 through Aug. 15 at select locations and times. Find more details on the [Food and Nutrition Department website](#).

Change to assessment requirements

The Washington State Legislature recently passed a bill creating multiple ways to meet required graduation assessments. Districts are required to administer the Smarter Balanced Assessment in both mathematics and English language arts to all 10th graders. Passing each of these assessments is the first "pathway" among a set of multiple pathways to graduate. Students identify their pathway in their High School and Beyond Plan. Students in the class of 2021 and beyond must still earn 24 credits to obtain a high school diploma. For a complete list of graduation assessment requirement options, please visit the district [graduation website](#) under the *Students* tab.



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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

HOME ACCESS CENTER



2500 Cadet Way– Everett WA 98208
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Sign up online for access!

[LMS / Overview](#)

Do you know you can view the following:

- Attendance
- Registration – contact information, teacher name
 - update your phone number and email in Home Access Center
- Grades
- Bus Route Information – Transportation 425-385-4144
- **FALL HOMEROOM TEACHER ASSIGNMENT (SEPTEMBER)**
Connect – ED phone call will not be made with classroom assignment

Parent/Guardian, do you need a login/password?

1. Request a login/password from lms@everettsd.org
Include:
 - a. student's name, school ID and/or date of birth
 - b. parent/guardian name
 - c. relationship to student (mother, father, guardian, etc.)
2. LMS will email or mail you Login ID and TEMPORARY password
(only to the address on file with Jefferson Elementary)
3. AFTER you change the temporary password, you will have access to student info

Do you have more than one child? Do you want to use one login for all of them?
Ask Jefferson Elementary to link all of your students to one account



HOME ACCESS CENTER “INFO” SITE

Home Access Center (HAC) allows all K-12 students and parents to see a month view of their attendance, report cards, discipline, IEP plan, and update their own phone or email information.

1. To sign into HAC, go to Everett Public Schools' website: www.everettsd.org and click on Grades & More icon.
2. Click on the “Info” icon to access HAC to see transcript, test scores, attendance and more.

Welcome to Learning Management Services

Click the icon/picture for the system that best matches your purpose.



Info

**All Levels K-12
Home Access Center**

- District/State Test scores
([Directions for viewing SBA results](#))
- Quick view attendance
- Update parent email and phone numbers
- Special Education (IEP)
- View discipline



Click here to see transcript, test scores and more.

**Middle/High School
Gradebook**

[New View - 6-27-17](#)

- Assignments
- Attendance Reports (customizable)
- Email Subscriptions (by class and assignments)

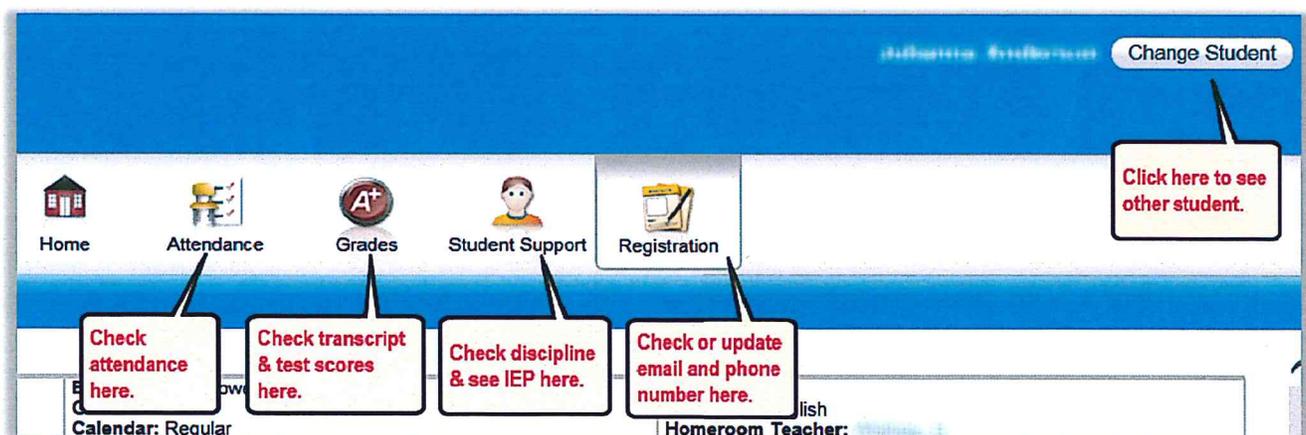
Home tab will show useful school links.

Attendance tab will show the attendance records.

Grades tab will show high school transcripts, test scores and more.

Student Support tab will show discipline and IEP information.

Registration tab will show basic student demographics and contact information. You can update your phone number and email address in this section.



The screenshot shows the LMS interface with a blue header and navigation tabs. Callouts provide instructions for each tab:

- Home:** Check attendance here.
- Attendance:** Check transcript & test scores here.
- Grades:** Check discipline & see IEP here.
- Student Support:** Check or update email and phone number here.
- Registration:** Click here to see other student.

Additional interface elements include a "Change Student" button in the top right, a "Calendar: Regular" indicator at the bottom left, and a "Homeroom Teacher:" field at the bottom right.