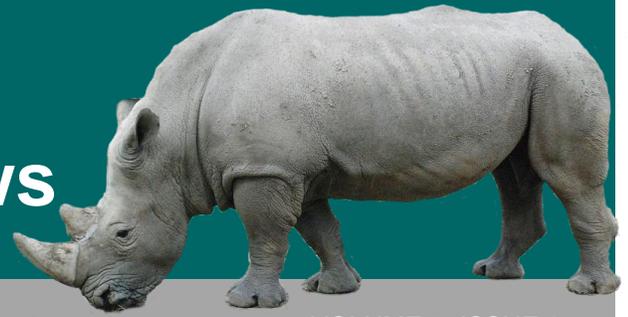


Jefferson Charger News

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Happy November! This is the **month of gratitude**, so I'll start by saying a big thank you to our families for all that you do to support our school and your child's learning each day! A few other words of thanks:

- To our PTA and Lighthouse Cooperative for co-sponsoring the super fun Fall Family Dance last week – what an amazing turnout!
- To our Lighthouse parents who are supporting a safe and efficient parking lot experience each day.
- To our PTA board members – all of whom are new this year – for all their hard work to rebuild and re-envision PTA! I hope all of our families will support their efforts by [joining PTA!](#)

Each month, our staff and students focus on a character trait. We've done kindness and responsibility; this month, we turn our attention to gratitude. If you'd like to explore this as a family, here is one great [resource](#).

Here are four ways you and your family can connect with school staff and make a difference in our community in the coming month or so:

- Connect with your child's teacher during conference week, Nov. 1-5.
- Contribute to the PTA [weekend food backpack program](#) (which you can [sign up for here](#) if your family needs this assistance).
- Participate in a "Let's Connect!" family input Zoom session with Jefferson staff from 5:00-5:45 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15. You must preregister [here](#) to get the Zoom info. We'll be asking about what's working regarding your student's learning experience, and how we can improve their experience. I hope you'll join us!
- Join not only the Jefferson PTA, but the [Everett Special Education PTSA](#), which supports students and staff districtwide. The SPED PTSA is sponsoring their second annual [Community Run, Walk, and Roll Virtual 5K](#), and half of sign-ups go to the school-level PTA you designate. It's a fun way to get some exercise as a family while supporting two great groups!

Have a great month,

Mrs. Kelley

Elizabeth Kelley
Principal

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Nov. 1-5

1 p.m. dismissal for conferences

Nov. 11

No school for Veterans Day

Nov. 15

Let's Connect! family input session
– see details in From the Principal
section of the newsletter

Nov. 18

PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m.,
online – link coming soon

Nov. 19

School picture retakes

Nov. 22-Dec. 5

Online Scholastic book fair

Nov. 24-26

No school for Thanksgiving break



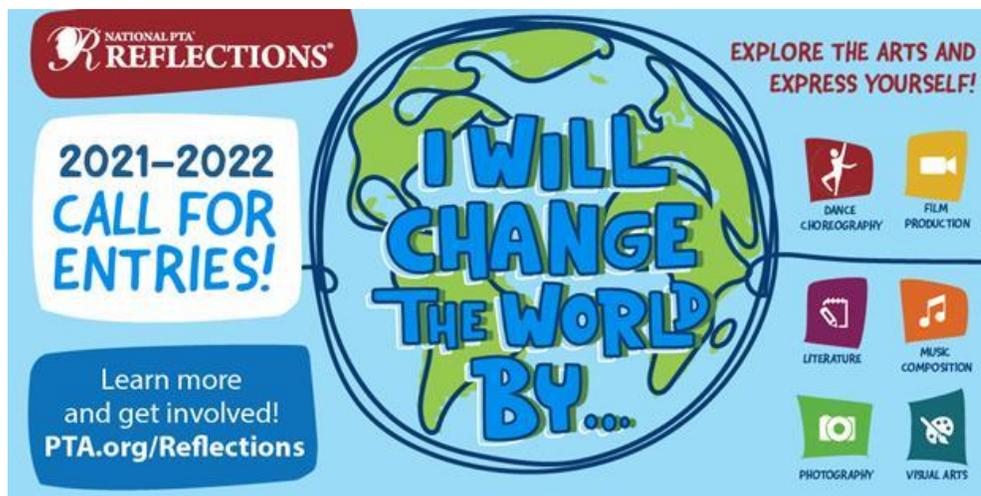
News from the Art Room

Jefferson students are CRUSHING IT! They are making so much amazing artwork during art class. Some of it has come home, but some of the bigger projects will stay at school to be part of future displays or shows. As we continue our journey around the world, we have landed in South America; K-2 have each finished one project in South America while 3-5 are just now finishing their Central American Masterpieces. We are going to head north for our next stop: The United States & Canada. Students will learn about artists and traditions that are well known on our very own continent.

Thanks to everyone who has supported the art program at Jefferson by bringing in ONE supply! It truly makes a HUGE impact, so thank you!

- K: 1 pack Crayola crayons
- 1st: 1 pack Crayola markers
- 2nd: 2 glue sticks
- 3rd: Black Sharpie
- 4th: Fine point BLACK Sharpies
- 5th: Crayola colored pencils

The PTA has an annual art contest, and the deadline is fast approaching! Please have your entries to me by Nov. 19. Keep in mind it is a nationwide contest and we are only permitted to submit eight entries, so there will be a panel of local judges who narrow it down. Jefferson Chargers are amazing artists; I can't wait to see what you create! More information can be found at: <https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections>



CONFERENCE WEEK HOURS

First Bell	9:10 a.m.
School Begins	9:15 a.m.
Dismissal Bell	1:00 p.m.

PICTURE RETAKES

November 19th
Retakes forms can be found in the front office.

PRE-ARRANGED ABSENCES

If your family is planning to miss school days for family travel time, please visit our office to fill out a pre-arranged absence form, or you can visit our attendance website: <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/40196>



News from the Gym

As November is National Gratitude Month, I want to thank families for helping students to wear comfortable clothes and athletic shoes for safety and movement in P.E. In November, students will continue small-group station rotations that incorporate a variety of skills and movements. We will continue learning about the skeletal system and how to keep our bones healthy. Speaking of bones, if your child is injured in some way, for example, if they are wearing a cast or brace, please make sure to submit a doctor's note to the office or health room outlining any physical restrictions so that we can best support your student in PE and at recess. Questions or concerns? Feel free to e-mail me at srowe@everettsd.org.

Shauna Rowe



News from the Music Room

We are finally back into the swing of things here in the Music Room. Students in kindergarten and first grade have been able to discover, explore, and share their singing voices, and we have started keeping a steady beat with instruments and our bodies. In Grades 2-5, we have really enjoyed the opportunity to play instruments together as we are reviewing key concepts such as rhythm and pitch. It's amazing to see how quickly students remember how to do things we haven't been able to do since March 2020, and I'm excited to continue this learning in November!

Debrah Rockwell



News from the Learning Lab

Jefferson students have been busy learning! Our new math program encourages children to solve problems using a variety of strategies. Their enthusiasm is contagious, and having them explain their thinking helps as they move to new challenges. Thank you for supporting your child's progress! We are looking forward to meeting with families next week to share more about student learning at Jefferson!

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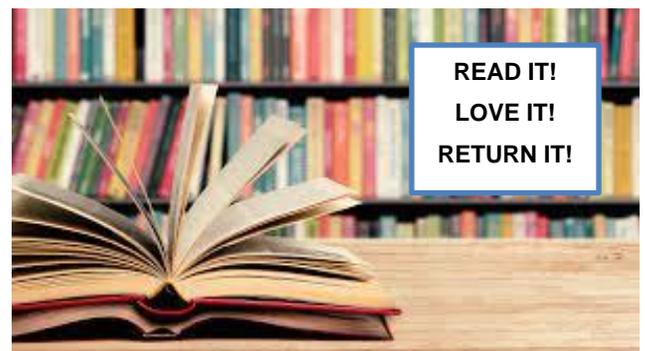
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News from the Library

Hello from the Jefferson Library! We are off to a great start in the library. Students are browsing the shelves for good-fit books. Good-fit books are books that are interesting for the reader that are not too easy or too hard to read. Once a student finds that good-fit book, it will be checked out for two weeks. When the books are due, please deposit them in the collection boxes at the end of each hall. Returning books at the beginning of the school day helps to keep our checkout system running smoothly. Happy reading!

Mrs. Klujber and Miss Heather



**READ IT!
LOVE IT!
RETURN IT!**



Looking for work? Everett Public Schools will host employment events

Everett Public Schools is looking for full-time, part-time and substitute positions and will be hosting two events to share with potential employees the benefits of working for the district:

- **Thursday, November 4** there will be an Employment Open House / Application Support Drop-In time at the Community Resource Center from 3 to 5 p.m. At this event you can speak with Human Resource staff about positions in the district and any employment questions you have about the district. Computers will be available, and staff will be there to help you fill out an application and talk you through the process.
- **Wednesday, November 10** there will be a Job Fair at the Community Resource Center from 4 to 6 p.m. This event will also have application support, but staff from other departments will be available to answer job-specific questions.

Positions include:

- Paraeducators and Substitute Paras
- Health Room Assistants and Substitutes
- Office Professionals and Substitute Office Professionals
- Food & Nutrition Professionals and Substitute Food & Nutrition Professionals
- Registered Nurses and Substitute Nurses
- Custodians and Substitute Custodians
- Master Mechanics
- Drivers
- Substitute Teachers
- Emergency Substitute Teachers

The Community Resource Center is located at 3900 Broadway in Everett.

HOLIDAY RESOURCES

Everett Food Bank

1230 Broadway, Everett 98201

November 15th, 17th & 18th

10am – 3 pm

December 20th, 22nd & 23rd

10am – 3pm

South Everett Food Bank

Bible Baptist Church, 805 Casino Rd, Everett 98204

November 16th, 3pm – 5pm

December 21st, 3pm – 5pm

The Village Food Bank

14 E Casino Rd, Everett 98208

November 23rd, 2 pm – 5 pm

December 14th, 2pm – 5pm

Sultan Food Bank

617 1st St, Sultan 98294

November 19th, 9:30am – 1pm

November 20th, 5pm – 7 pm

&

December 17th, 9:30am – 1pm

December 20th, 5pm – 7pm

*No ID or documentation required to
receive food at these locations*

Volunteers of America is not running a gift program this year. Another potential option that families in need may want to explore is [Christmas House](#).



DISTRICT NEWS

2021 High School & Beyond event



SAVE THE DATE! The High School & Beyond event will be completely virtual again this year. We have partnered with VisitDays to design remote opportunities for students and families to connect with colleges and universities from all over the country. Washington-specific schools will be highlighted, including our local community colleges. The live event will take place on **Thursday, November 4th from 6-10 p.m.** The link to the virtual event site will be available soon, but in the meantime, mark your calendars for this upcoming opportunity to visit, ask questions, and explore several post-high school options!

Native American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month



November is Native American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. What started at the turn of the century as an effort to gain a day of recognition for the significant contributions the first Americans made to the establishment and growth of the U.S. has resulted in a whole month being designated for that purpose.

Daylight Saving Time ends

On Nov. 7, Daylight Saving Time ends and we “fall back” one hour.



Remember to vote Nov. 2



Remember to deliver your ballot to a ballot drop box near you or put it in the mail by Nov. 2 – postage is not required for ballots.

Calendar reminder

This is a friendly reminder that there is no school the day before Thanksgiving.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Outdoor visitors

“Outdoor” parent and PTA visitors are approved at schools. Please check with your school to see what options there are, sign in with the office when you arrive, be sure to be supervised by staff when outside, and follow COVID safety protocols.



School performance report

Our school's performance report is available on our website. More information is available on the [Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction website](#). At the bottom under data and research, click on "School Report Card" and select Everett from the list of districts.

Have you downloaded our mobile app?

News and information about our schools are as close as your smartphone. Download and log into the district app to access your student's info quickly and easily. See top stories, Parent University, Canvas, books checked out from the library, and find the staff directory, school websites, calendars and more. This is available for Apple and Android devices, and can be downloaded in three easy steps:

1. On your smartphone, go to the iTunes App Store® or Google Play®
2. Search Everett Public Schools
3. Then select our app for free download

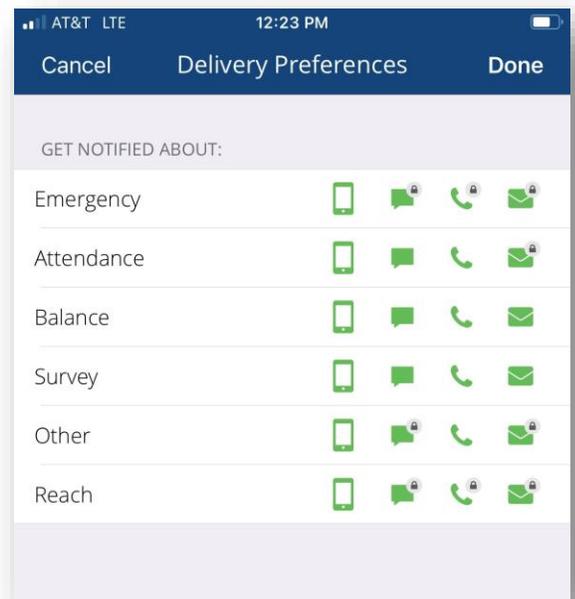
Once you've downloaded the app, log in to "student info" with your LMS password to see student-specific information for each of your children. Read content in one of many languages available in the settings. You are also able to set your delivery preferences.



Receive information the way you prefer

Thank you to all who were able to participate in our September 18 Let's Connect session. One of the action items that came from the session was to remind parents how to select their preferred method of communication so they will not get the same message in multiple formats unless they choose to. Below are some steps you can take:

- Download the district's mobile app. One of the many features is to select your delivery preferences. Once you have signed into your account, click on your profile tile and then "Edit Delivery Preferences" at the top.
 - Click on the icon for app, text, phone or email to turn off that mode. Green indicates the mode is turned on. Some modes are locked, as indicated with the lock on the icon.
- Keep your contact information current by updating the "Annual Student Update Form 2021-2022" in Home Access Center or by letting your school office know any time there is a change.
- Please visit the communications department webpage for a list of timely and relevant information to strengthen connections among families, staff and community.



Is your family prepared?

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



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:

- [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 [website](#).

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.

3 easy ways

Text or call

 855-637-2095

 1350@alert1.us

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

FOR
EMERGENCIES,
PLEASE CALL
911!

Report safety concerns

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. Student safety is a priority for all of us. Working together, we can help make our neighborhoods and schools nurturing places.

Everett Public Schools is active on social media!

On our main district [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) pages, you will find emergency district communications, photos, videos, event postings, and content. Visit our social media directory at www.everettsd.org/socialmediadirectory.



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