



Garfield Tiger News

GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

Hello Garfield Families,

As I reflect on this extraordinary school year, I am blown away by the strength and perseverance our community has shown. If there is one thing we have learned, it is that we are Tiger Strong. I am so incredibly proud of how our students, staff, families, and community took on the many changes and challenges that this school year afforded us. Thank you for working together and being so supportive. We truly are, stronger together.

As I walk through classrooms both in-person and online, I am so excited to see and hear students engaged in rigorous learning and their passion for reading, math and science! We are finishing strong and are better than ever. Thank you for all you do to support us in making this happen.

We have several exciting events to celebrate our successes this school year. Please make sure you have marked your calendar and can attend our end of the year events. Our 5th graders have 2 special events on June 16. There is the 5th Grade Celebration Zoom on June 16 from 10:15 am until 10:45 am. Then at 4:15 pm, all 5th Grade families are welcome to come to our Curbside Drive-Through Celebration! It will be a fantastic time to see Garfield teachers and staff, enjoy some cake (from the PTA, thank you Garfield PTA!), and have a proper send-off to middle school!

The last day of school is June 21. This is an independent learning day and there will be no students coming for in-person learning on this day. We have a fun event planned – an End-of-the Year Curbside Celebration Drive-Through. Make sure you can come through for a fun, festive summer send-off from all of us. It will be lots of fun!

Please enjoy a safe, healthy summer! Thank you for a wonderful year and I look forward to seeing all of you in August and September as we kick-off the 2021-2022 school year, which is going to be the best one yet!

Best Regards,

Mrs. Kathleen Stilwell

Principal

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Attendance Line

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June 1

Curbside Pick-up, 4-5

June 2

Learning Improvement Wednesday,
2:15 Dismissal

June 9

Asynchronous Learning Day
Early Release
1:00 Dismissal

June 11

Regular School Day for Hybrid 2 Students
3:30 Dismissal

June 16

K-5 Tiger Pride Assembly 9:15 – 10:00 am
5th Grade Celebration Zoom 10:15 – 10:45 am

Learning Improvement Wednesday,
2:15 Dismissal

5th Grade Curbside Celebration Drive-Through
Event 4:15-5:00

June 21, Last Day

Independent Learning Day
EOY Curbside Event 10 am – 12 pm
1:00 Release



ATTENDANCE:

Parents please email your student's absences using the attendance email address below:

GAEattendance@everettsd.org

If you are unable to email, please call the Attendance line at 425-385-4705

APRIL 2021 – BE A FRIEND STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Kindergarten: Kash D., Malea C., Xavier W., Olivia F., Abtsam A., Angel S.

First Grade: Maverick C., Helena T., Ryder L., Davyn J., Harizen H., Antonio R., Janya J.

Second Grade: Blake J., Zavier S., Vivienne O., Edwin A., Maichael W., Eva G., Lillyanna W., Tate H.

Third Grade: Bailey A., Athens F., Oliver W., Josephine Q.

Fourth Grade: Jamin A., Dakota H., Katerese N., Kennedy C., Xymena O., Xavi D., Collin N.

Fifth Grade: Brooklin P., Adil A., Aary W., Cameron G., Alyssa I., TyLanei J., Andy G., Sienna P., Gizelle B.

When does school end this year?

The last day of school this year is Monday, June 21st, and will be an asynchronous day. The day will be used for device and material drop off and pick up. We will be sending more information soon. June 15 is the last day of synchronous learning for seniors.

What will the 2021-22 school year look like?

Everett Public Schools, like other districts in our region, state and nationally, are planning on opening 100% in person in the fall. The anticipation is great as students may be entering a school for the first time or may not have seen their classmates in person for over a year. We look forward to the energy as the new year kicks off.

All staff will be back in the buildings. Students will be learning in-person. We know that nothing is 100% guaranteed in the future, but we are moving forward with this plan and encourage you to anticipate learning in person in the fall. We are looking into virtual opportunities for students and will share more about that in the future.





Care Solace resource



Everett Public Schools fosters a culture that promotes the health, safety and well-being of students, parents and staff. In an effort to continuously support this commitment, the district has partnered with **Care Solace**.

Care Solace is an [online resource](#) with a live 24/7 concierge meant to assist individuals in finding local mental health-related programs and counseling services. Care Solace is a tool for school staff and families to connect with community-based mental healthcare resources and providers. Their proprietary care navigation system taps into a vast database of mental healthcare resources to find carefully vetted local therapists and programs in minutes. Care Solace is available for use by district families and staff at no cost.

Stuff the Bus is coming!

With the support of our generous community, the Everett Public Schools Foundation is hosting its 12th annual Stuff the Bus for Kids school supply drive. This year the need is greater than ever. We need your help to deliver over 2,200 backpacks to Everett Public Schools students and families this fall. 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. 13-15. For questions, please contact Kirsten Hansen at khansen@everettsd.org.



Kindergarten Enrollment (Class of 2034)

If your child will be five years old by August 31, 2021, it's time to enroll in kindergarten! Online enrollment is available at www.everettsd.org. Enroll now to access information about your school's kindergarten program and reserve their spot in Everett Ready, our transition-into-kindergarten program scheduled for the mornings of August 23-27 at all elementary schools. Contact EarlyLearning@everettsd.org with any questions.

To find out which school your kindergartener will attend, click on Path Finder on the district's transportation webpage or call the transportation office at 425-385-4144.

Jump Start program



Jump Start is a one-week transition program for *current* kindergarten and first-grade students. It will be offered August 16-20, in the morning, at all available elementary schools. Incoming first and second graders are invited to participate in this program designed to support them as they transition back to the in-person learning model, become familiar with school routines and the campus, meet teachers and school staff, and get to know their classmates before school starts in September. If your student will be in first or second grade

in September, register by June 14 for Jump Start by completing the '**Jump Start - 1st Grade or 2nd Grade**' [Registration Form](#).



Vaccinations for next year

Now is the time to plan for the vaccinations your child may need before they return next fall. We encourage you to obtain these vaccinations as soon as possible and provide documentation to your child's school health room staff. Providing this information before the new school year will help you avoid getting calls and letters as well as the potential exclusion from school in the fall. As a reminder, students entering 7th grade usually require a Tdap booster before they can start school. More information can be found on the district's [immunizations webpage](#).

We are hiring!

If you have ever wanted to help in a classroom, or lend your talents at a school, apply to be a classroom paraeducator. Paraeducators in Everett Public Schools provide instructional and functional support to classroom teachers supporting student learning. They may assist with playground supervision, small group instruction, student hygienic or nutritional needs or assist a student with mobility in a school. We are also hiring custodians. Our custodians play an essential role in maintaining our buildings while supporting a healthy learning environment that promotes pride among our students, staff, and families. Please apply online at www.everettsd.org/jobs. Schools are located in Everett, Mill Creek and Bothell, Washington.

Summer Reading Program

Everett Public Schools looks forward to another successful year of its summer reading program. Please watch our website for details about this summer's reading program.

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 our website under the *Our Schools* tab around the last week of school.

Summer meals

Did you know all children ages 1-18 can participate in the summer meal program? Summer meals will start on July 7 at select locations and times. Find more details on the [Food and Nutrition Department website](#).



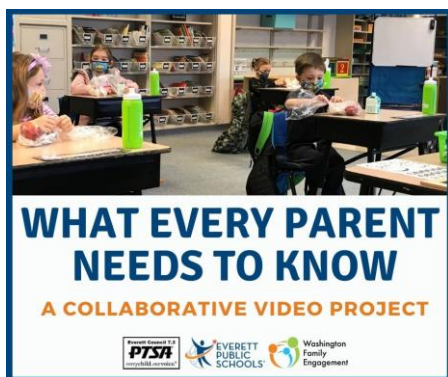


Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) for elementary students

Continuing to add to our *Connecting with Counselors Video Series*, we have a series for elementary students. In this series of videos, MTSS Facilitator Kristin Walker and Garfield Elementary Social Worker Barb Dubin discuss how parents can support the social and emotional health of their elementary-age children. [Click to find this new series](#), as well as SEL videos for teens and pre-teens.



What Every Parent Needs to Know video series



The Everett PTSA Council collaborated with Everett Public Schools staff and Washington Family Engagement to develop video resources for families which provide fundamental information to navigate school systems, advocate for their student(s), and actively participate in public education.

The project of five videos, entitled "What Every Parent Needs to Know," provides an overview of topics that parents felt were essential for building a foundation for authentic parent and family engagement. Video topics include: Student Education Rights, Get Engaged in Your Children's Education, What to Do About Bullying, Advocating for Your Student and Understanding Public Schools.

The initial material was created by Washington Family Engagement and further reviewed by parent and community groups, as well as Everett School District staff, to ensure accuracy, relevancy, and access. The videos were recorded by various district staff and are available on the district's Parent University webpage, with translations recorded and available in Spanish, and subtitles in Russian, Vietnamese, and Arabic.



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

- **Section 504 Coordinator:**
- Dave Peters
- 425-385-4063
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- PO Box 2098
- Everett, WA 98213

- **ADA Coordinator:**
- Randi Seaberg
- 425-385-4104
- RSeaberg@everettsd.org
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