

# Tiger Tribune

GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal

### Hello Garfield Families,

It is hard to believe we are starting the month of November and I am seeing holiday decorations in our stores. As I reflect on this time last year, I am filled with gratitude that we are able to have our students in school and potentially able to gather this holiday season. We have begun to settle in as the transition from hybrid and remote learning to full-time in-person learning came with some challenges for many students. Students have built up their stamina and are doing an excellent job engaging in rigorous learning. Thank you for being partners in this. We appreciate you and all you do.

This first week of the month, November 1-5 we will be having our fall conferences. Students are released at 1:00 pm so that families may conference with teachers either in person or via zoon. This is a really important time to connect with your student's teacher and learn about their progress as well as any challenges. We are grateful for your partnership and look forward to these conferences to ensure each student achieves at high levels and has their needs met. Please make sure to sign up for a time with your student's teacher using the [sign-up genius link](#). If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the office at (425) 385-4700 or email me [kstilwell@everettsd.org](mailto:kstilwell@everettsd.org) for assistance.

Please consider joining our PTA. Now more than ever we need to be connected and advocating for our needs. PTA Presidents, Ms. Kayla Goetsch and Ms. Taylor Lichneckert are available to help answer questions and/or give you information regarding Garfield PTA. And I know they would love for you to join in on all the amazing things they are planning for our students and staff here at Garfield! Please email them at [garfieldtigerspta@gmail.com](mailto:garfieldtigerspta@gmail.com).

Are you getting the Sunday newsletters? Each Sunday I send out the Tiger News from Principal Stilwell. If you are not receiving these please contact the office (425) 385-4700 or email me [kstilwell@everettsd.org](mailto:kstilwell@everettsd.org) and we will update your contact information.

As you plan your Thanksgiving holiday, I am wishing you warmth and happiness. We all need to support one another, continue to show kindness and grace as we thrive through these unprecedented times. I hope you find yourself doing what it is that brings you joy and with those you love.

With Gratitude,  
*Kathleen Stilwell*  
Principal

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Principal

**Brent Radcliff**  
Assistant Principal

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### **November 1- 5**

Conferences, early release  
1:00 pm Dismissal

### **November 7**

Daylight Savings (set clocks back 1 hour)

### **November 10**

Virtual Veteran's Day Assembly, TBD

### **November 11**

Veteran's Day, No School

### **November 12**

Learning Improvement Friday  
2:15 pm Dismissal

### **November 15**

Let's Connect Event  
5:00 – 6:00 pm

### **November 17**

Picture Retakes

### **November 19**

Learning Improvement Friday  
2:15 pm Dismissal

### **November 24-26**

Thanksgiving Holiday, No School



## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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

November 7, 2021, Daylight Savings 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.

November 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Thanksgiving	2 Thanksgiving	3 Thanksgiving	4 Thanksgiving	5 Thanksgiving	6 Thanksgiving
7 School Day	8 School Day	9 School Day	10 School Day	11 School Day	12 75	13 75
14 School Day	15 School Day	16 School Day	17 School Day	18 School Day	19 75	20 75
21 School Day	22 School Day	23 School Day	24 School Day	25 Thanksgiving	26 Thanksgiving	27 Thanksgiving
28 School Day	29 School Day	30 School Day				

## 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 online on each school’s 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.

Available for Apple and Android devices and can be downloaded in 3 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

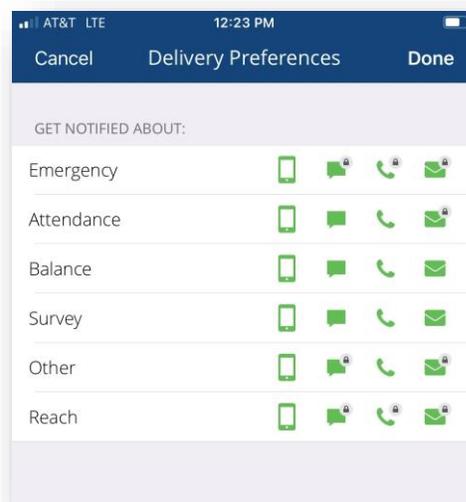


Once you've downloaded the app, log in to "student info" with your LMS password to see student-specific information for each of your children. Read content in one of many languages available in the settings. You are also able to set your delivery preferences.

## 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 in the upper corner of 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 anytime 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 to begin a conversation about the dangers of engaging in cyberbullying and how to stay safe online:



- [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](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).



## Let's Connect – save the date

Mark your calendars. You are invited to connect with district leaders and engage in conversation on Monday, November 22 from 5 – 6 p.m.

We want to hear from you and hope you can attend a Zoom meeting to share your thoughts. Please check your email shortly for an invitation to connect with your school's regional superintendent and other district leaders. An RSVP is required to receive the link for the meeting. Let's Connect!



## Have a safety concern related to schools? Report it!

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 who share our interest in safe schools and neighborhoods.

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

**3 easy ways**

Text or call  
 855-637-2095

 1350@alert1.us

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

FOR  
EMERGENCIES,  
PLEASE CALL  
**911!**

## Everett Public Schools is active on social media!

We invite all Everett Public Schools families, students, friends, and community members to follow our social media sites including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube.

On our main district [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) pages, you will find emergency district communications, photos, videos, event postings, and content highlighting students, faculty, and accomplishments.

Visit our social media directory at [www.everettsd.org/socialmediadirectory](http://www.everettsd.org/socialmediadirectory) to follow along with school pages, district pages, teachers, clubs, teachers, student groups, and more. Stay connected with us to learn the latest news! We can't wait to see you there!



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