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GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Hello Garfield Families,

Each year the month of March launches us into many important activities and events. This year is no exception with conferences coming at the end of the month followed by spring break and then it is time to start our state testing in third, fourth and fifth grades. Additionally, we are asking that families complete <https://surveys.panoramaed.com/everett/family22> the spring stakeholder survey by April 1st. Thank you for providing information that is vital to district and building planning.

We always look forward to meeting with and working with families during conference week. Information regarding the process for scheduling teacher conferences will be sent on March 8th and families can begin to schedule conferences on March 14th. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Mrs. Wuebke in the main office.

Please consider joining us for our PTA General Membership meeting, March 14th at 6:30 on Zoom. The Garfield PTA would love to get your input and feedback, here <https://everettsd.zoom.us/j/99908698814> is the zoom link, hope to see you there

We are also very excited to introduce a new and important member to the Garfield team. Our new Family Support Specialist, Lily Nichols, joined us toward the end of February. She is very excited to get started and to get to know the Garfield families and community. She will focus on connecting those in need with necessary resources, welcome Ms. Nichols!

Thank You Voters!

Kathleen Stilwell
Principal

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March 8

Spring Parent-Teacher conference
information being sent out

March 14

Spring Parent-Teacher conference
sign up opens on-line

March 25

Early Release 1:00pm

March 28

Parent Night on Social Media
Safety
6:00pm – 7:00pm virtually
*see district website for Zoom link

March 28 – April 1

Spring Parent-Teacher conferences
– Early release 1:00pm

April 4-8

Spring Break



Thank you voters!!!!



Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote, and all those who volunteered to sign wave and share the importance of the levies.

The Education Levy is the second largest revenue source for the Everett School District, making up about 14% of the budgeted general fund. The renewal of the levy provides funding for the next four years.

The Capital Levy provides funding for six years and makes up over 95% of the district's capital fund. As a reminder, the district website has a [list of projects](#) that are able to be funded thanks to the capital levy.

Kindergarten Kick Off!

Please only include this one if you send your newsletter out before March 3.

If your child will be five years old by August 31, 2022, you can learn more about enrolling into kindergarten in a virtual webinar on March 3 from 6-7 p.m. More information to come but **SAVE THE DATE** now!



Kindergarten registration begins this month



Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2022? Registration begins on March 7, 2022. You can complete enrollment forms for kindergarten [online](#)! A [step-by-step parent walkthrough video](#) is also available as a resource.

Dual-language Spanish Immersion Program

The dual-language Spanish immersion program at Emerson Elementary School is an option for fall 2022. Families with children entering kindergarten will have the option to choose the dual language strand. This program gives elementary students an opportunity to complete the Everett Public Schools curriculum in a nontraditional and exciting way by immersing them in Spanish language and culture from kindergarten through twelfth grade. Students in the program will become proficient in both Spanish and English while learning the same curriculum content as their peers outside the program.

Priority will be given to students within the Emerson Elementary School attendance area. If a high number of students apply, a lottery will be conducted to select students. If the class is not filled from those in the Emerson attendance area, an additional lottery from beyond the school attendance area will be conducted.



Annual School Stakeholder Survey



To guide the Everett Public Schools' continuous improvement process, each year schools survey students, families, and staff. This information helps us to understand our specific strengths and challenges that impact school quality.

The School Stakeholder Annual Survey is only one of many pieces of data analyzed by school leaders and staff. In addition to survey data, student achievement, attendance, discipline, and program data is evaluated to create School Improvement Plan goals.

Students in grades 3-12 will be taking this survey in class. Families will also be invited to take the survey which runs March 1 to April 1. More information about this survey will be coming home soon!

Spring World Language Assessment (WLA) – high school

The world language assessment for High School students on April 20. You can earn high school world language credits if you can fluently read, write, speak, and listen in a language other than English!

Register to take the world language assessment by March 31. Visit our page for more information:

www.everettsd.org/wla



What is Lighthouse Cooperative?



Lighthouse Cooperative is a choice program within Everett Public Schools housed at Jefferson Elementary School. This K-5 program features standard district curriculum with an overlay of parent involvement via weekly classroom volunteering and support for enrichment activities such as field trips and parent-led specialty lessons. Classroom teachers and families work together weekly, building a strong community of students, families, and staff as children move through all six grades with the same classmates. Learn more [here](#).

Port Gardner Parent Partnership School (K-12)

Port Gardner is a parent partnership program, where parents/guardians are the primary educators of their children. The program is a blend of on-site classes taught by certificated teachers, and remote classes taught by parents/guardians in the home. On-site courses include both core academic areas and electives. High school level classes are credit-bearing and may be used towards earning a diploma through Everett Public Schools. Students enrolled in Port Gardner are public school students in an alternative public school program. For more about the program and enrollment information please visit: [Port Gardner Parent Partnership](#) or call 425-385-5150



Education Support Professionals Week



March 14-18 help us recognize the important work education support staff does for schools and students every day. We encourage you to take a moment and say thank you to office staff, crossing guards, paraeducators, maintenance staff, food and nutrition services professionals, bus drivers and many other education support staff who help schools and the district function smoothly.

Daylight saving time begins March 13

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13 at 2 a.m. On Saturday night, set your clocks forward one hour (i.e., losing one hour) to “spring ahead.” There will be more light in the evening. Also called Spring Ahead, Summertime and Daylight-Saving Time.



Let's Connect



The March Let's Connect will focus on Family and Community Engagement. More information on the date and how to register will be coming soon.

Update emergency contacts

Please call your school if your phone number or emergency contact information changes at any time during the school year. This is the contact information used by the Everett Public Schools automated phone system in emergencies and to share important school information with families.





Parent University – suggest a topic



Parent University is an on-demand resource created to help parents and guardians become full partners in their child’s education. Parent and family engagement in education positively impacts the academic and social success of children.

Our goal is to increase collaboration and involvement between schools, families, and the community; to educate, empower and connect families with resources that build parent and student confidence, enhance character development, and promote life skills to increase the likelihood of family success in academic endeavors.

Content includes a selection of pre-recorded videos and how-to documents that can be viewed at any time.

If you have additional topics you would like to suggest, please fill out our [“Suggest a Topic” form](#). The form is also available on our Parent University webpage at www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity.

We value your partnership as we continually improve this resource for families.

Do not miss out!

Our school is using Peachjar to send flyers home electronically.



Just go to the home page of our school website and click on the Peachjar Eflyer button to check it out. You do not need to login to receive or view school eflyers.

No action is required on your part. You should have already received a welcome email from Peachjar that includes a username and password. This is provided so you can manage your account and flyer delivery preferences. Don’t worry if you’ve forgotten your password, you can reset it at any time. If you cannot locate your welcome email, you can [go to Peachjar and sign up!](#)

This system is used exclusively for the distribution of school-approved flyers. Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose.



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