Good morning, Guardians! Today is Tuesday, December 9th

- December is "learn a world language month," Let's celebrate by learning how to say "Thank you" in different languages. Showing gratitude is universal—and learning how to express it in other languages is a great way to connect with people around the world! In Spanish: Gracias, French: Merci, Japanese: Arigato, German: Danke.
- Attention 8th graders taking the WLA test tomorrow: please check your email for important instructions.
- PRIDE club meets today. Meet in Mr. Chapman's Room, 409. Be sure to have a ride home at 4:00 or sign up for the activity bus during lunch.
- The Food and Toy Drive battle is getting intense! As of yesterday Team White was currently in first place, followed right behind by team Gray and Silver.

 Wednesday is the last day to bring in your donations, so go all out and help your team secure the W.
- Congratulations to the 7th grade boys basketball team on their 4th consecutive win topping Voyager 67-32. Tyler A. led the Guardians with a double-double and Princeton C. scored 16. Abhiram V., Nathan P., and Nathan H. all contributed big buckets as well. The G-men travel to Clympic View on Wednesday.
- The 8th grade boys basketball team showed up in front of an amazing crowd and defended their home court with a 52 to 28 win. The victory featured a well balance offensive attack with multiple players contributing. A special shout out goes to Jace L. with 7 points and outstanding awareness on the court.
- The 7th grade volleyball team brought their showtime game on the road last night to voyager middle school with a resounding 3-0 win. With great team play from all members and led by their captains Allison A. and Avery P. Perfect serve games going to Amanda V., Sophia C., Kamiya w., Brooklyn F., and Claire N. Riley W. earned player of the game for her incredible offensive play crashing the net, hitting hard, and loud communication. Kamiya W. earned defensive player of the game with a near perfect passing game and a lock down serve receive game on the back row. Volleyball will have its last home game vs Olympic View this Wednesday.

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- 8 Grade Volleyball had a solid win 3-0 against Voyager yesterday! Nikkie G., Emmalin T., Mayson F. and Harini N. had solid kills at the net. The team truly meshed last night, and pulled together to make it happen!
- Don't let your favorite get frosted out! With 261 votes in...Right now Last Christmas and Jingle Bell Rock are almost tied. Vote now in the Jingle Jam Showdown and watch the lunch screen for updates.
- The bowling field trip for the ASB fundraiser is this Thursday, December 11th! All students who earned the field trip will be dismissed from class with an all call at 9:40. If you earned the bowling field trip, your second period teacher will pass out a reminder to you with more details today!
- Calling all students! Do you have an achievement you would like ASB to share at our future assemblies? Please fill out the showcase google form on the student canvas page! We would love to hear from you!
- Next week ASB is hosting a holiday spirit week! On Monday we have PJ Day bonus points for holiday-themed pajamas! Next, we have Twinkling Tuesday. Wear your most festive accessories and anything sparkly, shimmery, or bright. Think ornaments, twinkle lights, glitter, and all things that shine! Following up we have Winter Wonderland Wednesday, show up in shades of white and silver, and rock any snowflake accessories to complete your wintery look. Thursday is Grinch vs. Santa Day Choose a side, wear green for Grinch or red for Santa. Finally, we have Festive Friday Wear clothes specific to a holiday you celebrate this time of year—whether it's Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Diwali, New Year's, or any tradition that's meaningful to you. During first period, your class will vote on who is the most festive. At our WinterFest assembly on Friday, the winners from each class will be called down to the gym floor, where we'll crown this years Gateway Cheermeister!

And remember Guardians, we learn from our mistakes and grow stronger every day, it's the Gate-way!

Good morning, Guardians! Today is Monday, December 8th

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Thank you. You may be seated.

- It is important to stay connected! Talking to friends or a trusted adult can make a big difference if you're feeling down. Our counselors are always here to listen.
- The Food and Toy drive is on through Wednesday, so get in your donations! Team Silver earned spirit bonus points on Friday for the most dress-up team spirit, but after the totals last week, Team White still has the lead! Check for any updates at lunch. Two more days to go!
- Yearbooks are on sale through December 13th, so don't delay—grab yours today! Snag the memories, laughs, and cheer before this chance disappears. Act fast, and don't be sour you want to see the Blue Hour!
- Week two of Jingle Jam Showdown starts today. The holiday showdown is heating up! Will 'All I Want for Christmas Is You' sleigh the competition and dash past Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, or will our glowing-nosed hero guide his team to victory under the twinkling lights? And in the next matchup, can the bittersweet ballad of 'Last Christmas' melt hearts and topple the upbeat energy of 'Jingle Bell Rock'? Grab your cocoa, hang your stockings, and stay tuned—because these festive face-offs are about to jingle all the way! Only your votes can help determine who will Jingle and Jangle into the top two songs.
- The Girls Volleyball Teams have a match today at Voyager. 8th grade plays at 3:45pm and 7th grade plays at 5:00pm we would love to see you there! Go Guardians!

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Good morning, Guardians! Today is Friday, December 5th

- Happy December! It's Learn a World Language Month! Did you know that over 7,000 languages are spoken around the world?
- The food and toy drive has a new leader...Team White! We'll award extra spirit bonus points during lunch for wearing your team colors today. Take this weekend to find your food or toy donations and bring them for next week! The Gateway Gives drive ends December 10th.
- The Gateway Girls Soccer drew against Harbour Pointe today with a l-l score line. It was another hard fought game that we would likely win if we faced them again, and Coach is very proud of the team!
- Goal scorers:
- 1. Theona A., 1 Goal from an Olivia B. assist. That's 8 goals in 4 games now for Theona. Superstar in the making!
- The halls were rocking, the bells were jingling, and the votes for Jingle Jam Showdown are in! Here are your festive champions for Week 1:
- 'Jingle Bell Rock' takes the lead, leaving 'Let It Snow' slipping on the sidelines! Over in the heartbreak division, 'Last Christmas' scores big against 'Jingle Bells'—what an upset! Meanwhile, 'All I Want for Christmas' dominates the court, decking the halls with a clean sweep! Frosty? Oh no—he's melted under the pressure! But Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer? Folks, he's still charging down the field, nose shining bright—what a comeback!
- Great job to everyone who voted and jammed out! Stay tuned for Week 2—more songs, more showdown, more holiday cheer will be coming your way on Monday.

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- Which team is your first period representing in the Gateway Gives food and toy drive? If it is team Aqua, you are in the lead! Check the posters at lunch to see if there is a new leader after this morning! Earn extra spirit bonus points for the drive by dressing in the color of your team tomorrow. Stop by the commons tomorrow at 8:00 to show off your team colors and be featured in a special yearbook photo. And remember to help our community by bringing those food and toy donations!
- December is "learn a world language month," Let's celebrate the beauty of languages from around the world! Learning a new language helps us connect with others, understand different cultures, and become global citizens. Want to know how to say "Hello" in different languages? Try these out: Spanish: ¡Hola! French: Bonjour! Japanese: Konnichiwa Swahili: Jambo!
- The 7th Grade Boys Basketball Team took over in the second half and beat Evergreen 60-41 last night. Nathan P. played a strong all-around game, Abhiram V. played tough defense, and Orreal S. hit a sweet 3 from way downtown. The G-men next face Voyager at 5pm on Monday in the Gateway gym.
- The 8th grade Boys Basketball team played physical and hard against a tough Evergreen team. Gateway stormed to an early lead but was unable to keep up in the end. Kai Misner led all scorers with 16 points, while Jake, Kam, Liam, Brandon, Tanush, Hayden, Jace and Aki all scored for Gateway
- The 7th grade lady guardians volleyball team stormed onto the court vs evergreen to secure a definitive win. Allison A. held down the court with a stout passing game and strong leadership skills. Amanda Vo had a perfect serving game. Avery P. our team captain served up a team high 8 aces and Valerie B. had big hits on the front row with 4 kills to secure our win.
- The 8th Grade Volleyball Team rallied in the second set, but ultimately lost to Evergreen last night. Harini N and Claire G had a strong serving game while Brighid L, Lilly B and Maria R had solid passing. Our volleyball teams play at Voyager on Monday, we would love to have you there in our cheering section!
- Voting closes for Jingle Jam Showdown week I today. Spread cheer with your vote! The bracket needs YOU to decide the winner!
- Move your body! Exercise—even something simple like stretching—can help your brain release feel-good chemicals. Try it today!
- AV Club is today in Mrs Takasaki's room 216 from 3-4 pm. Remember to get your bus pass before 8th grade lunch.
- Board game club meets today in Mr. Chapman's Room, 409. Be sure to have a ride home at 4:00 or sign up for the activity bus during lunch.
- Only 9 days left to snag your yearbook, so don't sleep on it! Swing by the commons and check the lists to see if you already ordered one. Don't miss out—your Blue Hour memories deserve a spot in print!
- The Gateway Choirs would like to invite you to their winter concert tonight at 7pm at the Everett Civic Auditorium. Come join your friends and listen to some music magic!

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Good morning, Guardians! Today is Wednesday, December 3rd

- The Girls Volleyball Teams have a match today at Evergreen. 8th grade plays at 3:45pm and 7th grade plays at 5:00pm we would love to have you in our cheering section! Go Guardians!
- Boys Basketball has their first home game of the year today vs. Evergreen. 8th grade plays at 3:45 and 7th at 5pm. The players are excited to play in front of all of you. Please come and cheer our team to victory!
- National Honors Society Students if you were unable to attend the meeting yesterday, please come to our Make-Up meeting tomorrow morning at 7:15am in Mr. Anderson's room 205.
- Which team is your first period representing in the Gateway Gives food and toy drive? Check the posters in the commons to see which color you are. Earn extra spirit bonus points for the drive by dressing in the color of your team on Friday. Stop by the commons Friday morning at 8:00 to show off your team colors and be featured in a special yearbook photo. And remember to help our community by bringing those food and toy donations!
- Are you one of the over 450 students to have voted for the Jingle Jam Showdown? It is a close race for the winner in the Frosty the Snowman versus Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer with Rudolph winning by a nose. Get your vote in today. Watch the lunch screen for how your favorite songs are doing in the voting.

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Good morning, Guardians! Today is Tuesday, December 2nd

- HAttention guardians bring in non-perishable food and new toys for the Gateway Gives food and toy drive. Be the best team and donate as much as you can, after all it is for a good cause! After yesterday, Team Gray: House of the Great Wheel and Team Royal Blue: House of the Needle are leading for the win!
- December is "learn a world language month," and there are so many reasons to learn a world language! Language learning supports academic achievement, improved reading abilities, linguistic awareness, and positive attitudes towards other cultures.
- Remember: Feeling sad or tired during winter is common due to the dark days and the hustle of the holiday. If it feels hard to manage, reach out for help.
 You're not alone, and support is always available! Your school counselor is there for you.
- Interested in volunteering and community service? Building your leadership skills? Or meeting new people? If so, join Builders Club! The first official meeting is today, from 2:45-4 PM, in Mr. Rentko's room. We'll be preparing for a Holiday Parade in Mill Creek this weekend!
- Congratulations to 7th Grade Boys Basketball on two great wins! Last week, the Guardians stormed back from 22 points down to win 63-61 over Harbour Pointe. Tyler A., Asher L., Princeton C., and Owen W. all scored in double figures. Last night, the boys won convincingly by a score of 64-38. Cliff S., Long T., Zachary L., Nathan H., and Ruthvik B. all had key buckets. The G-men take on Evergreen Wednesday for their first home game.
- Congratulations to the 8th Grade boys basketball team for a 67 to 47 victory against Explorer last night. Kai led all scorers with 18 points, while Liam and Hayden also scored in double digits. Defense was strong all night in a game highlighting teamwork and effort
- The 7th grade volleyball team continued their streak of always competing with another win last night vs Explorer. Taking all 3 sets for the victory. With great teamwork and communication our team continues to improve. Avery P. and Amanda V played at a high level and ran the offense as our setters. Allie A. dominated the front row and had a season high of 4 kills and 2 blocks. Perfect serve games go to Kamiya, Allie, and Claire.
- The 8th Grade Volleyball Team played a stellar match last night, also winning 3—0! Sage 0. stunned Explorer with 19 serves and Mayson F.'s serves were on fire with 4 aces! The entire team was determined, and truly gelled together to make this win happen. The Guardians take their show on the road tomorrow at Evergreen.