



From the principal

Grit is important because it is a driver of achievement and success, independent of and beyond what talent and intelligence contribute. *Being naturally smart and talented are great, but to truly do well and thrive, we need the ability to persevere. Without grit, talent may be nothing more than unmet potential. It is only with effort that talent becomes a skill that leads to success (Duckworth 2016).*

Grit is the biggest predictor of lifelong achievement. We are intentionally teaching Grittiness by having students establish and monitor goals on a regular basis. We focus on learning from mistakes and we highlight growth mindset. Please reinforce the development of grittiness at home. Short video: [Duckworth's research on Grit](#)

Evergreen Scholars:

Only three weeks left until the end of the semester, which is January 24th. Make every second count. As our partners in education, please check your student's planner on a regular basis. You can sign up for progress reports to be automatically sent to you and/or you can view your students' grades and missing assignments online. Sign up today: less than 15 minutes

<https://docushare.everett.k12.wa.us/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-90668/Gradebook%20Email%20Subscription.pdf>

Make every second count because each student matters.

Winter Sports Season- Registration:

www.everettschools.rankonesport.com Girls Basketball tryouts are well on there way, announcements will be made soon to all those that turned out and made 7th & 8th grade teams. Coach Duffy and Coach Stecher are excited for our new season, "Gooooooo Timberwolves!"

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January 6

Classes resume from winter break

January 15

6th Gr. Band Concert @ 7 PM / ECA

January 16

MLK Assembly
Winter Orchestra Concert @ 7 PM/
Commons

January 20

No School - MLK Day of Observation
eeting/ 6:30 pm (Library)

January 22

PTA Meeting – Library at 6:30 PM
'GET REAL SEX ED' presentation for
parents

January 23-25

EMS Drama Production: Pirates of
Penzance (Thurs. & Fri. @ 7 PM, Sat. @ 2
& 7 PM) in our Commons

January 24

End of 1st Semester

January 27

Non Student Day – No School

January 28

Orchestra Concert @ 7 PM / Commons

January 30

Girls Basketball vs Eisenhower Home / 3:45
(8th) & 5 PM (7th)

February 4

6th Gr. Band Concert @ 7 PM / ECA

February 5

EHS Jazz Corridor w/ North & Evergreen
MS @ 7 PM / ECA

February 10-14

Spirit Week!
PTA Box Top Drive (Feb.3 – Feb.14)



Wrestling season is right around the corner too, please assure your student is registered and physical forms turned in. Sixth grade students can participate but not compete for Wrestling. The first wrestling practice is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19th, right after school. Students will report to the gym and meet up with Coach Elliott immediately after dismissal. There will be a 4:15 pm activity bus to take students home after each practice.

Attendance Matters

We are working to increase the percentage of students attending school during each month.

Every day matters! Check out last month’s average daily attendance rate:

| | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| '18-'19 | 95% | 94% | 93% | 92% | 93% | 90% | 91% | 93% | 93% | 91% |
| '19-'20 | 96% | 95% | 93% | 92% | | | | | | |

DID YOU KNOW?

Students can be chronically absent even if they only miss a day or two every few weeks.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Help your student stay engaged by staying on top of academic progress and seeking help from teachers or support personnel if necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.

WHAT IS EVERGREEN DOING?

When 2nd period classes have 94% of their class present, they get to color in a piece of a Wolf Paw (9 pieces). When the class reaches a full paw, the teacher will facilitate a 5 minute dance party and candy celebration for that class.

WHAT IF MY STUDENT IS ILL?

Please report your student’s absence by emailing the school or sending a note upon your students return.

If you need assistance or if you would like recommendations to help ensure your students regular school attendance, please contact your student’s teachers or counselor.

TARDY POLICY:

When a student is unexcused tardy 3 times within a month, they will be assigned lunch detention in the gym or campus cleanup during lunch. When a student is unexcused tardy 4 times within a month, they will be assigned after school campus cleanup and/or detention.

Attendance email: EVGAttendance@everettsd.org

After School Study Club: Monday-Thursday (2:05-3:10pm)-3:15 Activity Bus

A reminder for parents, study club is for all students that wish to stay and get homework done at school, or need extra help with their homework. Student may stay in the library or they may ask their teacher which days they may stay after school to get help in their room.



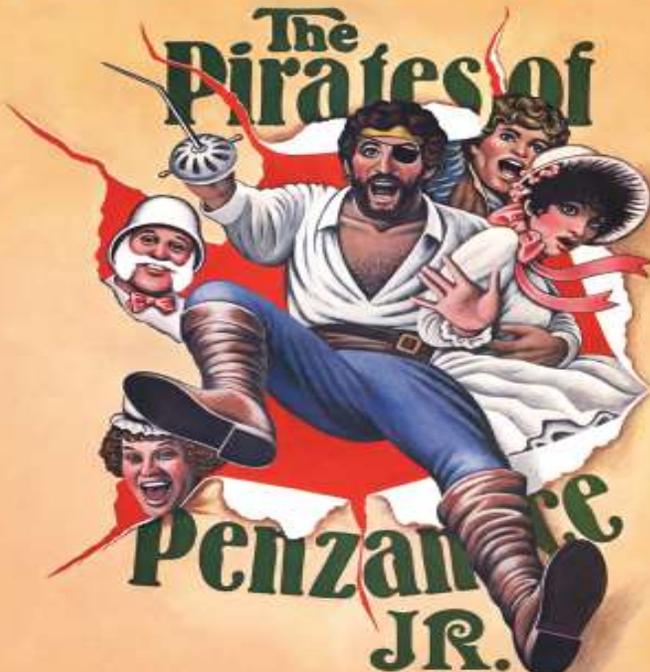
WORLD LANGUAGE TESTING

Does your student speak a language other than English? Are they able to read and write in that language? If so, we have an opportunity for them! On March 18, we will be offering a testing opportunity for students to show their abilities in reading, writing, and speaking another language. If they are successful on this test, they can earn up to 4 high school credits. Register by February 14, 2020.

For more information <https://www.everetsd.org/Page/22317>

EMS Drama Production Presents:

Evergreen Middle School's Drama Club Presents



The Pirates of Penzance Jr.

JAN 23 at 7:00 pm | JAN 24 at 7:00 pm
JAN 25 at 2:00 & 7:00 pm

Tickets \$6 or \$25 for a family of 5
CASH or CHECK ONLY

Tickets sold at the door. Doors open half an hour before show.

7621 Beverly Lane, Everett, WA | (425) 385-5700

Book and Lyrics by Sir William S. Gilbert | Music by Sir Arthur S. Sullivan | As presented on Broadway by the New York Shakespeare Festival | Produced by Joseph Papp | Musical Adaptation by William Elliot
Directed by Wilford Leach | Choreography by Graciela Daniela

The Pirates of Penzance Jr. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY
(212) 541-4684 | mtishows.com



State Mandated Curriculum

The KNOW HIV/STD Prevention Education and “GET REAL” Sex Education will be taught in two sessions this year beginning with Session 1 one in Feb/March and Session 2 in May. This is a State Mandated Curriculum that will be taught to all PE students in 6th/7th/8th Grade classes. Key concepts that will be introduced are Female/Male Anatomy, Puberty, STI/HIV Transmission and prevention, Abstinence and Protection Methods, Sexual Identity (7th + 8th only) and Refusal skills. If you would like to view the curriculum and key concepts prior to your child taking the class, all information will be available during the January 22nd PTA meeting at 6:45pm. If you would like to request to excuse your student from the HIV Prevention Education, please pick up a green “Request to Excuse” form from the main office, your child’s PE teacher, or during the PTA meeting

Questions? - Contact Mrs. Wilder (425) 385-5844 or pwilder@everettsd.org



Everett School Board Welcomes Two New Members

This November voters elected two new members to the Everett School District Board. April Berg will fill position 2, the seat vacated by the retirement of longtime school board director Carol Andrews. Berg lives in Mill Creek and is a planning commissioner for the city. She has four children, two in university, one at Henry M. Jackson High School and one at Heatherwood Middle School



Andrew J. Nicholls will fill position 1, the seat held by Jamyang Dorjee Nhangkar who was appointed to the board in September 2018. Nicholls is a research social worker with the VA Puget Sound Medical Center and has two children who will soon be entering school in the district’s north end.

Lunch payments are easy with the app



Want to see your student's lunch balance and pay a balance from your phone? If you're logged into the district's mobile app, you can find and pay your student's lunch balance under your student's info. An icon inside the app also gives a shortcut to deposit funds for your student's lunch account. To make a payment, look for the green chef's hat icon.

The latest school news and information in Everett Public Schools is available on smartphones and mobile devices with a mobile app. The free mobile app is available in the online iTunes® and Google Play® app stores. 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.





Parent safety tip

Six ways your student can protect their online identities:

1. Share carefully – don't give out any personal information to unknown sites or strangers
2. Go private – keep privacy settings high and limit location services when possible
3. Log out – especially after using shared computers
4. Mix up passwords – use different passwords for different apps and websites
5. Avoid clickbait – avoid quizzes and random questionnaires
6. Choose wisely – pick an appropriate username

Learn more about online safety, digital wellness, cell phones and learning with technology with age-specific tips and tools on www.common sense media.org.

Kindergarten registration begins in March

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2019? Registration begins on March 2, 2020, at all district elementary schools.

Did you know?

Every year OSPI publishes a report card for each district and each school within the district. This year OSPI is using a new application to do this and will require a little more effort to find the data available for Everett Public Schools. You can [access the 2017-18 data](#) on the OSPI website.

To review the data for the school district or a school start typing in the name and a drop box will appear with choices. Click on your choice to view the report card.

The screenshot shows a search interface on the OSPI website. On the left is a map of Washington state. To the right, the heading reads "I want to see data for a school or school district". Below this is a search box labeled "School or District Name:" containing the placeholder text "start typing". To the right of the search box is a "Go" button. Below the search box is a "clear" link and a "See all schools and districts" link.

Optionally you can click on See all schools and districts and navigate the to the district or school you want to select.



Do you have a student in special education?

Did you know there is a Special Education PTSA in the district? The Special Education PTSA serves students, families, and educators involved in Special Education. They encourage students, families, educators and community members to work collaboratively to provide programs and activities recognizing each student's potential and enhancing the educational opportunities of children receiving and/or seeking special services in our district. Connect with the SEPTSA on [their Facebook page](#).



Harvest of the month

This month, the Food and Nutrition Department brings you beans! Be sure to give them a try this month in our homemade hummus, black bean burger or vegetarian chili!

Did you know that there are over 40,000 different varieties of beans and are an excellent of protein and fiber? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on our website at <https://www.everettsd.org>



I've bean thinking about you...

2020 capital projects bond - community open house meetings

Everett Public Schools is placing a \$317.4 million bond on the April 2020 ballot. This measure will provide crucial funding to build permanent classroom space to accommodate growth, improve safety and security and make necessary school improvements.

Upcoming Community Open House meetings are scheduled, and we encourage everyone to attend one:

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| <p>THURSDAY, </p> <p>FEB 6</p> <p>6 – 7 p.m.</p> <p>CASCADE HIGH SCHOOL</p> <p>801 E Casino Road Everett WA 98203</p> | <p>THURSDAY, </p> <p>FEB 13</p> <p>6 – 7 p.m.</p> <p>EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL</p> <p>2416 Colby Avenue Everett WA 98201</p> | <p>TUESDAY, </p> <p>FEB 25</p> <p>6 – 7 p.m.</p> <p>JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL</p> <p>1508 136th St. SE Mill Creek WA 98012</p> |
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What the 2020 capital projects bond will fund at our school?

Here's what the April 28th Capital Bond will fund here at Evergreen Middle School:

- Replace locksets and keying system
- Upgrade technology infrastructure electrical systems
- Upgrade HVAC controls system
- Upgrade student information system

To learn more, please visit the website: www.everettsd.org/bond2020



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Everett Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

- Affirmative Action Officer – Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104
- Title IX Officer – Mary O'Brien, MO'Brien@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106
- 504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, rballbach@everettsd.org, 425-385-4063
- ADA Coordinator – Becky Clifford, rclifford@everettsd.org, 425-385-5250