



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 continue to 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](#)*

Kindness & Spirit Week-February 10-14

- Monday**-Dream of Kindness (pajama/comfy day)
- Tuesday**- Spread the Spirit of Kindness (Timberwolf day)
- Wednesday**- Kindness is always Trending (meme/trending/influencers)
- Thursday**- Peace, Love, and Kindness (rainbow/tie-dye)
- Friday**- Go Crazy for Kindness (crazy hair, crazy socks, mismatch/tacky)

Kindness for Koalas dance

February 13th from 2:10-4:00
 \$3 with ASB card/\$5 without ASB card
 \$1 of every admission will go to the Australia Zoo Conservation Project (Australiazoo.com.au)

Winter Sports Season- Registration:

www.everettschools.rankonesport.com Wrestling season is right around the corner too, please register and turn in all required forms. Sixth grade students can participate but not compete for Wrestling. The first wrestling practice: Wednesday, February 19th,
 Activity bus ride home daily at 4:15 pm

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- February 3**
AVID 6th Grade Outreach
Girls Basketball vs North (7th @ 5 PM / 8th @ 3:45 PM)
- February 3-14**
PTA Box Top Drive
'Socks of Love' Sock Drive
- February 4**
6th Gr. Band Concert @ 7 PM / ECA
- February 5**
EHS Jazz Corridor w/ North & Evergreen MS @ 7 PM / ECA
- February 7**
Popcorn Friday during lunch
PTA Family BINGO @ 6 PM Commons
- February 10**
AVID Interviews
Girls Basketball vs Harbour Pte (7th @ 5PM/8th @ 3:45 PM)
- February 10-14**
Spirit Week!
- February 12**
Girls Basketball at Brier Terrace MS
- February 13**
Kindness for Koalas ASB Dance
2:10 – 3:45 PM / GYM
- February 17-18**
Mid-Winter Break NO SCHOOL
- February 24**
Family Night - Slavic Celebration @ 6 PM Commons (FREE)
- February 24**
Girls Basketball at Einstein MS
- February 27**
Girls Basketball vs. Kellogg MS (7th 3:45 PM/ 8th @ 5 PM)
PTA Meeting @ 6:30 PM (Library)



Strengthening Families Program

For Parents/Caretakers and Youth ages 10-14

*Strengthening Families is a **FREE** 7-week program for parents/caretakers and their youth ages 10-14. We offer guided activities and lessons to help parents/caregivers and their youth transition into their teen years.*

When:	February 6, 13, 20, 27 and March 5, 12, and 19 th	
Time:	5:00PM	Dinner
	5:30-6:30PM	Parent and Youth Sessions
	6:30 – 7:30PM	Family Activity Session
Where:	Evergreen Middle School 7621 Beverly Ln Everett, WA 98203	

How To Register Your Family:

Email Nicole Hoshock at choshock@everettsd.org

OR

Return the bottom half of this flier to the main office at Evergreen Middle School.

Each series is limited to 10 families.

Youth will learn about setting goals and having dreams, to appreciate parents/caregivers, how to deal with stress and peer pressure, as well as how to follow rules.

Parents/caregivers will practice love & limits, making house rules, using consequences and protecting against substance abuse.

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%	93%					

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.

Smarter Balanced Assessments

Smarter Balanced Assessments assess student achievement. Here is a link to our District Website to learn more about these upcoming exams: <https://www.everettsd.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=16044>

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.everettsd.org/Page/22317>

PTA News:



Evergreen PTA Presents:

BINGO NIGHT!!

Friday, February 7th 2020

6:00 – 7:30 PM

In the Evergreen Middle Cafeteria

Prizes! Food!

Fun for the whole family!

\$3 for bingo, a slice of pizza and water



Our PTA is collecting **Box Tops** during 7th period classes. Please send box tops with your students from **February 2-February 14**. Thank you for supporting PTA. Do you know about the new app for box tops? Search in your app, collecting box tops by scanning your receipt after buying groceries with this user-friendly app.

Save the Date: Evergreen PTA Auction

May 16, 2020 (5:30-9:00pm)

Reserve your seat today: [Tickets](#)



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 six children, two university graduates, 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.

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:

<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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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