

Everett Seagull News

EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

First Semester Wrapping Up

The end of the first semester is rapidly approaching, which means students need to focus on making sure they have completed any outstanding assignments while keeping up with their current work. To help ensure their success, we have several opportunities for students to get additional help after school every day as well as during Seagull Saturday coming up this week on January 12 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm. This is a perfect opportunity for students to get individual help from teachers, and to make up missing or incomplete work. Please encourage your student to take advantage of the supports if she or he is struggling, or if they want to improve their overall grade. We hope to see many students participate in both our after-school support programs as well as Seagull Saturday. Reminder that finals will be taking place from January 23-25. A full finals schedule has been included as an attachment for your information.

Celebration of MLK

We are looking forward to a celebration of Martin Luther King Day on January 16, with a special show being prepared by our International Student Organization. This assembly will feature music, dance and speakers all in celebration of the rich diversity of our school.

No School on Monday, January 21 and Monday, 28

School will not be in session on January 21 to celebrate MLK Day or on January 28 which is a non-instructional LIF day for teachers to complete their first semester grading.

EHS Auction February 9!

Reminder the EHS Auction is coming Feb. 9th! This is an event for everyone. Here is your opportunity to come have a fun night and take home some big and small auction items. The past few years the auction has raised funds for athletics, the arts, our Robotics club, and has supported the creation of a Maker-Space library that supports student collaboration and development of 21st Century skills so critical for success in career and college.

Lance Balla
Principal

January 12

Seagull Saturday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

January 14

Winter Improv Comedy Night, 7:00 – 9:00 pm (Little Theater)

January 16

MLK Assembly, 9:10 am (Auditorium)
College Applications and Financial Aid Workshop, 6:00 – 8:00 pm (A107)

January 21

Martin Luther King Day - no school

January 23-25

First Semester Finals

January 28

Non-Instructional Day - no school

January 25 & 26

NJROTC Drill Competition



We have two silent auctions, with close to 100 items in each silent auction and we have a live auction with about 25-30 great items. Weekend getaways, wheel barrows of beer, fishing trips, quilts, art work, pig roast, theater tickets and signed Seahawks memorabilia are just some of the live auction items we have had in the past.

If you have items you wish to donate for the auction a procurement form is attached to this email. Simply complete the form and turn it in to a PTA representative or bring it by the main office here at EHS and we will make sure the PTA receives the form. Below is a picture of the event from last year, which is held at EvCC. It really is a wonderful evening of fun, so please consider both donating to the event as well as coming out a bidding on fabulous items!



Tickets are on sale now at:

<https://everettsd.ejoinme.org/2019ehsauction> (Early bird rate and 1/2 of ticket price goes to club, classroom or team of your choice).

Vaping on the Rise Nationally

Vaping, or Juuling, has become a nationwide epidemic, with use by teenagers going up by over 70% across the country in the last year according to statistics. A message was sent recently by the Snohomish County Health District detailing the concerns about this recent surge in use, and the following was reported recently by CNN:

The US Food and Drug Administration will stage a massive education campaign aimed at the nearly 10.7 million teens at risk for e-cigarette use and potential addiction, the agency said Tuesday. For the first time, the agency will take the message that vaping is dangerous into high school bathrooms and social media feeds of those at-risk youth to stop what the FDA calls an epidemic of e-cigarette use by minors. The trend was flagged in a 2016 report from the US surgeon general, which cited a 900% increase in e-cigarette use by high school students between 2011 to 2015. More than 2 million middle and high school students used e-cigarettes in 2017, the FDA said.

We are concerned about addressing this epidemic, and one way is to let the parents know about this disturbing trend so they can partner with us in letting students know the dangers of what is often perceived by young people as something that does not have serious health consequences. A couple of flyers are attached that provide more information about this issue.

AJAC's Production Technician (Youth) Apprenticeship

An AJAC Information Session is scheduled for January 10 during NESIKA in the EHS Library. Students can register to receive a pass in Naviance under the College Home Tab in Upcoming Visits. With 3 Everett High students currently participating, AJAC's Youth Apprenticeship is a 2,000 hour program designed for high school juniors and seniors to develop career-ready skills in the aerospace and



advanced manufacturing industries. This apprenticeship program combines paid on-the-job training at an AJAC employer and college-level classroom instruction which can lead to a high school diploma, journey-level card and short-term college certificate. Read about the program here- <https://www.ajactraining.org/youth-apprentice/>.

EvCC Financial Aid for Seniors

We are sending invite passes to students that indicated to EvCC that they wanted more information on Financial Aid on Wednesday for NESIKA on Thursday, January 10, 2019 in Career Center with EvCC Representative Lisa Fritch.

College Applications, Financial Aid, and Scholarship Workshop

Seniors and their families are invited to attend this workshop on Wednesday evening, January 16 from 6pm-8pm in the EHS Career Center for hands on assistance with all things college. On this evening, there will be a focus on Scholarships. Come and learn how to find College Dollars!

Sno-Isle TECH Skills Center- January 17 & February 7, 2019

A Sno-Isle Information Session is on January 17, 2019 during NESIKA in the EHS Career Center. Students can register to receive a pass in Naviance under the College Home Tab in Upcoming Visits. The Sno-Isle fall 2019 Online Application opens on February 7 during their annual Open House which runs from 5:30-7:30pm. Sophomores & Juniors who apply in the first 3 weeks and are approved by their High School Counselor will be guaranteed an interview. Everett High currently has 33 students attending Sno-Isle where students from 44 area high schools come together in one location to learn in state-of-the-art classroom environments. Students are transported to Sno-Isle TECH from their home high school. Each student spends a half day at Sno-Isle and a half day at the home high school. It provide a variety of challenging learning experiences in diverse subject areas to give students advanced education and training. Graduates can then use this advanced education and training to walk right into an in-demand career or pursue further education, often with an industry certificate and free college credit! They currently offer over twenty courses in five different career pathways. Visit <http://snoisletech.com/> for more information or see Dayna Weir in the Everett High Career Center for questions.

Microsoft Summer Internship App Day for Seniors

Seniors who are focused on STEM and interested in applying for a Microsoft Summer Internship are invited to attend an all-day field trip to the Redmond Microsoft Campus on January 30, 2018. Visit the Career Center or contact Dayna Weir for more information.

FAFSA-WASFA Roundup- January 31, 2019

Passes will be sent to Seniors who have errors or incomplete FAFSA's. State & local experts will be on hand to assist students in the EHS Career Center. To apply for federal student aid, such as federal grants, work-study, and loans, students need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or FAFSA found here <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa> . Completing and submitting the FAFSA is free and easier than ever, and it gives you access to the largest source of financial aid to pay for college or career school. In addition, many states and colleges use your FAFSA information to determine your eligibility for state and school aid, and some private financial aid providers may use your FAFSA information to determine whether you qualify for their aid. Undocumented student who qualify for HB-1079 or DACA, can complete the Washington Application for State Financial Aid, commonly known as the WASFA found here <https://readyssetgrad.wa.gov/wasfa>. In addition, many states and colleges use your FAFSA information to determine your eligibility for state and school aid, and some private financial aid providers may use your FAFSA information to determine whether you qualify for their aid.



Do you YouTube?

The district does. Search for Everett Public Schools WA to find all of our district videos. Miss a school board meeting? You can find videos of those meetings there too.



We're hiring para educators!

If you've ever wanted to help in a classroom, or lend your talents at a school, apply to be a classroom para educator! Para educators in Everett Public Schools provide instructional support to classroom teachers and ensure students with special needs have access to their learning. You're not available? Tell a neighbor or friend! This is your opportunity to have a huge impact on your community, one student at a time.

Look for the Employment icon on www.Everettsd.org to apply. If you're interested, please call Lauren Weeden, Director of Special Services for North Region Schools, at 425-385-5791.

January is School Board Appreciation Month

The month of January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition – a time to salute the work of school board members and celebrate public education. This year, they were once again named a Board of Distinction. You can learn more about [board members online](#).

Freaked by too much Fortnite?

Hear from parents and students about the pitfalls and positives about the extremely popular video game at www.common sense media.org.

Help your student stay safer online through awareness and parent tips about this app and other games, movies and apps.





IMPORTANT DATES

January 9	PTA meeting, 6:30 (Library)
January 10	AJAC Youth Apprenticeship Information Session during Nesika
January 12	Seagull Saturday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
January 14	Winter Improv Comedy night 7:00 – 9:00 pm (Little Theater)
January 16	Martin Luther King Assembly (Auditorium)
January 17	Hear My Voice, 6:30 – 8:30 pm (Little Theater)
	Sno-Isle Tech Skills Center Information Session during Nesika
January 21	Martin Luther King Day – No School
January 23-25	First Semester finals
January 25	Last day of 1st Semester
January 25-26	Drill, Academic and Athletic Competition for NJROTC (Gym)
January 28	Teacher LIF day – No school for students
January 29	First day of 2nd Semester



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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