

Eisenhower Patriot News

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From the Principal

Heading into summer was always a mixed blessing for Trish and me when our kids were younger. We love our kids to no end but facing the looming challenge of entertaining, engaging and refereeing them for two and a half months could be daunting at times.

Our kids were often the best of friends and just as often the worst of enemies. Much like on the reality show "Survivor" they were always changing allegiances and between the four of them it was difficult to discern who was on good terms with whom. One week Maddie and Mitchell were permanently attached, playing board games, dressing the dog, or playing basketball in the driveway. Meanwhile Xander and Aisley had paired off riding bikes or looking for bugs behind the back fence. At any given moment a scream could ring out and the brief glimpse of blissful parenthood would be shattered and lying in pieces on the floor.

One activity that was a constant go to for our kids was reading. We would entice them with promises of going to the library to check out books if they could just play nicely for an hour, or finish up their chores by 4 pm, or some other system to provide peace for a while.

This plan worked well with 3 of our kids but not for Mitchell. He did not like to read. He would not read. "You can't make me read," was his mantra. As educators there was no doubt for Trish and me that he was switched at birth and our real son was out there reading somewhere.

One day it dawned on us that Mitchell loved all things baseball. The Mariners were his world; they were all larger than life. In those days we got the newspaper and each day we started asking him about the Mariners. He would grab the sports page and find the answer. Gradually, we branched out to other parts of the sports page. By the end of the summer Mitchell was asking for the sports page when he got up. It is possible that he read more on a daily basis than either of his sisters or his brother. In the fall when he went back to school and his teacher asked the students, "What books did you read this summer?" Mitchell proudly responded, "I didn't read anything this summer. I don't like to read."

We never completely mastered the art of harmony amongst our children but we did figure out how to get Mitchell to read without him realizing it.

My hope for you over the summer months is that you find many moments of blissful parenthood.

Respectfully,

Kevin

Kevin Allen
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June 1

Learning Improvement Friday

June 8

Early Release-all students 2
½ hours early

June 15

Learning Improvement Friday

June 19

Last day of school-Early
release all students 2 ½
hours early



Final Choir Concert, June 1st at 7pm
Eisenhower Middle School
Cafeteria

Featuring all Eisenhower Choral groups
singing pop tunes from the last 80 years!

Yearbooks will be on sale from
June 5-19th for \$25.

This is first come, first served, until they're sold out!
Yearbooks will be handed out on June 15th to all students
who have purchased one and have paid any fines.

8th Grade Bridging followed by the
8th Grade Dance on June 18th

The Bridging ceremony will start at 6:00 pm in the Cascade High School gym.
The dance will be from 7-9:15pm in the Cascade High School cafeteria.



Library News

Welcome to Summer Reading 2018



Summer Reading Brochures will be mailed directly home the week of June 11
Check your mail.

All of the information you need for Summer Reading is available on our Eisenhower Middle School Library Webpage
Including access to AR test taking and Book Recommendations

<https://www.everettsd.org/domain/1918>

1. Read your novel(s)
2. Take the AR test
3. Score 80% or higher
4. If 80% is not scored or novel does not have an AR test available, fill out Summer Reading Form and turn into your ELA teacher in September.
5. Read 5-10 novels over the summer
6. Have fun and Enjoy!

Join us for Summer Reading Hours in the Library:

Tuesdays:

6/26 4-6pm

7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14 3-6pm

You are always welcome in the library, stop in and introduce yourself.

Happy Reading, Gwen Papenhausen

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End of year celebration will be held on June 18th during the school day

There will be lots of fun things for the students, with special activities for 8th grade students only.

Eisenhower Awards Assembly

Will be a special celebration at the end of the day on June 19th

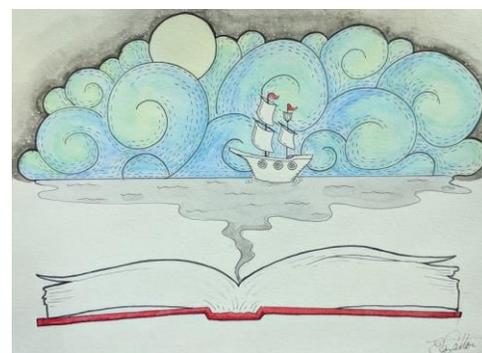
More information to come on both of these fun days!

When does school end this year?

June 19 will be the last day of school. Students will be released from school 2.5 hours early on June 19.

Summer Reading Program

Everett Public Schools looks forward to another successful year of its summer reading program. We are partnering with Everett Public Library and Sno-Isle Libraries again this year. Watch your school's website for details about this summer's reading program. Students will receive incentives for reaching their reading goals, and schools that have at least 75 percent of their students reach their reading goals will be recognized by the district.



Graduation dates

Ceremonies for each of the four high schools are coming soon!

- Sequoia High School June 14, 6 p.m. at Everett Civic Auditorium
- Cascade High School, June 16 at noon at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena
- Everett High School, June 16 at 7 p.m. at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena
- Jackson High School, June 16 at 3:30 p.m. at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena

Stuff the Bus is coming!

A partnership coordinated by the Everett Public Schools Foundation with community organizations and businesses has become an annual effort to gather backpacks and school supplies to help our students in need start the year prepared. Last year, more than 1,900 students received backpacks filled with school supplies, and the Foundation has the same goal this year. Look for collection bins in businesses during the month of August and Durham buses parked outside local businesses **Aug. 17-19**. Each item collected helps prepare a student with the tools needed to learn.



Vaccinations for next year

Now is the time to plan for the vaccinations your child will need before he or she enrolls next fall. Students over the age of 11 entering 6th grade require one booster dose of Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) vaccine before the first day of the 6th grade. Students entering high school require two varicella vaccines before the first day of high school. We encourage you to obtain these vaccinations



this school year and report them to the school nurse or office staff at your child's school. We'll track that information in the school database, which will help you avoid getting calls and overdue letters in the fall.

SBA scores are coming soon

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) scores will be available for all families and students this summer in the online Home Access Center (HAC). Families will also receive a hard copy in September. Find tools for parents to understand those SBA scores on the [district assessment website](#).

How do I get the test scores?

[Instructions are online](#). If you don't have an account or have questions, contact LMS@everettsd.org.

Innovation Expo June 6, 5-8 p.m.

Students and families will enjoy seeing and interacting at booths from every school in the district at this year's [Innovation Expo](#) June 6, 5-8 p.m., at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena. Each school's booth is different and showcases something the students at that school are learning.

The STEM competition is a favorite part of the event for many students and families. See the best student projects from around the district and hear what the students learned by doing them.



School supply lists

Looking to get a jump start on next year's school supplies this summer? You can find the school supply list on your school's website under *Our School* around the last week of school.

Summer meals

Did you know that many students in the district qualify to receive free summer meals thanks to a federal grant? Summer meals are available July 5 through Aug. 23 at select locations and times. Please find more details and an application on the [Food and Nutrition Department website](#).



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