

# Hawthorne Hawk News

HAWTHORNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## From the Principal

Dear Hawthorne Families,

February marks the start of the second semester or second half of the school year. Teachers will be completing their grading of student assessments and work this month, and report cards will be sent home before mid-winter break. We utilize standards-based grading to give families a clear picture of what their student can do. If you have questions about your child's report card, please reach out to their classroom teacher.

In February, we also seek family input on the school's operation, student learning, and family engagement. Later this month, families will receive an email with a link to an online survey. Please take the time to complete this survey. The information gathered helps school leadership teams make decisions on how to improve.

Mid-winter break will be February 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. This four-day weekend is a good time for students and families to travel, relax and get healthy after a few long winter months. During weekends and this mid-winter break, it's always a good idea to keep your student engaged in learning. Read with your student, practice their math facts, and get out and explore the city and region. The more students can use their math and reading skills, the more likely they are to retain their new learning.

Coming up in March, we have our annual Multicultural Night and Parent/Teacher Conferences. Please look for scheduling information for these events, and we hope to see your family in attendance. We want to make sure families feel comfortable participating at Hawthorne Elementary. If you have concerns or questions, please feel free to reach out by calling (425) 385-4600 or email [jellsworth@everettsd.org](mailto:jellsworth@everettsd.org).

Thank you,  
Jacob Ellsworth  
Principal

## Glow-in-the-Dark Galaxy Groove

The PTA is hosting a fun night of dancing on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 6:00 – 7:00pm. In the Cafeteria. All children must be accompanied by an adult. This event is free for the entire family. The PTA will have concessions available for purchase. We hope to see you there!

**Jacob Ellsworth**  
Principal

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**February**  
Kids Heart Challenge

**Kindness Project**  
Schoolwide Sock Drive

**Feb. 9**  
Learning Improvement Friday  
1:35 Dismissal

**Feb. 15**  
HAWKS Pride Assembly  
8:50am K-2  
9:20am 3-5

**Feb. 16**  
Learning Improvement Friday  
1:35 Dismissal

**Feb. 19 & 20**  
Mid Winter Break,  
Including Presidents Day  
**NO SCHOOL**

**Feb. 23**  
Learning Improvement Friday  
1:35 Dismissal

**Feb. 23**  
Galaxy Groove Family Dance  
6:00 – 7:00pm

**Save the Date**  
**Multicultural Night 2024**  
**Wednesday, March 20th**



## Save the Date for Multicultural Night 2024

Plans are underway for our annual Multicultural celebration.

This fun filled event will take place on March 20 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM with displays, food, music, and dances that represent Hawthorne’s rich diversity and cultural vibrancy. If you would like to share a part of your family’s heritage, please sign-up online: <https://forms.gle/g9iCp1ZT243rFFRd7> scan the QR code, or contact [RAllen@everettsd.org](mailto:RAllen@everettsd.org).



## Let’s Connect on Feb. 6: Promoting Healthy Digital Habits

Let’s Connect on February 6, from 6-7 p.m. at Cascade High School, where [Dr. Lucía Magis-Weinberg](#), from the University of Washington, be talking about how technology, especially social media, influences students and ways we can encourage healthy digital habits.

### What to expect:

Dr. Magis-Weinberg will share insights on how digital technology shapes adolescent development. After her keynote, join small group discussions with other parents and school district leaders. These discussions will revolve around conversational prompts, making sure everyone gets a chance to share their thoughts.

### Our goal:

To advance our understanding of how adolescent development is shaped by the risks and opportunities afforded by digital technologies, and to collaboratively explore healthy digital habits.

### Who’s welcome:

This event is for families with kids in elementary, middle and high school. We all play a part in understanding and navigating the digital world that impacts our kids.

Bring your questions and Let’s Connect and discuss together on February 6. We’ll also have interpreters who can speak Arabic, Marshallese, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese! The keynote speaker segment will be live-streamed; however we encourage you to be there in person to benefit from the support network of other parents during the small group discussion segment, which will not be available online. See you there!

## Enrollment for kindergarten opens on March 4!

Will your child be 5 years old by August 31? On March 4, you can complete your child’s online enrollment for kindergarten. An easy and quick process as detailed in the [step-by-step parent walkthrough video](#) available in





multiple languages on our website [www.everettsd.org/kindergartenenrollment](http://www.everettsd.org/kindergartenenrollment). You can also enroll in-person at your neighborhood school or [download a printable packet](#), complete it, and deliver it to your child's home school with the required documents.

Enrolling early in March will ensure invitations to your school's kindergarten events and participation in Everett Ready, a transition-into-kindergarten program offered for four days in August to all enrolled kindergarteners – more information will be available in June on [www.everettsd.org/everettrready](http://www.everettsd.org/everettrready).

A Kindergarten Enrollment - **Kick-Off Webinar** will be held on **Monday, February 26, 2024, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm**. Join us to meet the Superintendent and learn about Kindergarten in Everett Public Schools. Information with a link to the webinar will be available on our website [www.everettsd.org](http://www.everettsd.org) and [www.everettsd.org/kindergarten](http://www.everettsd.org/kindergarten) by February 15.

EPS offers the following **Choice Programs** beginning in kindergarten– early enrollment is recommended as space is limited. Click on the links for more information on the programs:

- [Lighthouse Cooperative](#) – Housed at Jefferson Elementary School

This K-5 program features standard district curriculum with an overlay of parent involvement via weekly classroom volunteering and support for enrichment activities such as field trips and parent-led specialty lessons.

- [Dual Language Spanish Immersion Program](#) – Located at Emerson Elementary School

Students are immersed in the Spanish language and culture with the majority of instruction being in Spanish. Priority will be given to students within the Emerson Elementary school attendance area. If a high number of students apply, a lottery will be conducted to select students.

- [Port Gardner Family Partnership K-12](#) – located on Sequoia High School Campus

Port Gardner K-12 is a parent partnership program, where parents/guardians are the primary educators of their children. Our program is a blend of on-site classes taught by certificated teachers, and remote classes taught by parents/guardians in the home.

Note: Choice Programs will require a [school transfer](#) approval if not located at your child's home school.


We are looking forward to welcoming you and your student to kindergarten!


## Safety tip line


Do you or your student have a concern about someone experiencing bullying or harassment? **Report it!** You can talk directly with your school's office, or you can call, text or email your concern.

If there is reason for concern about safety on a designated walkway to school, call 9-1-1 immediately for authorized, quick help. We have strong partnerships with local law enforcement who share our interest in safe schools and neighborhoods. Student safety is a priority for all of us. Working together, we can help make our neighborhoods and schools nurturing places for students to safely learn and grow.

**3 easy ways**

Text or call  
 855-637-2095

 1350@alert1.us

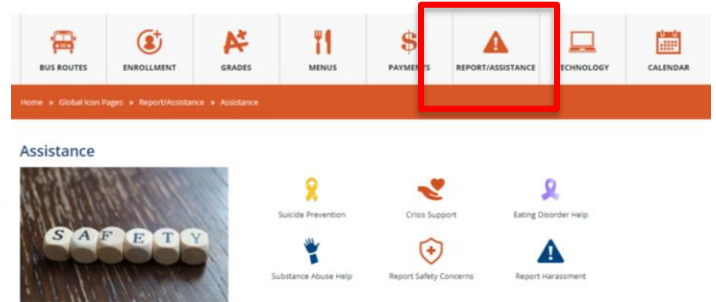
 <https://everett-wa.safeschoolsalert.com>

FOR EMERGENCIES,  
PLEASE CALL  
**911!**



## Assistance icon on website

The district’s main webpage has an icon, “report/assistance,” with resources and assistance for students and families on:



- Suicide Prevention
- Crisis Support
- Eating Disorder Help
- Substance Abuse Help
- Report Safety Concerns
- Report Harassment
- Substance Abuse Trends
- Overdose Symptoms and Prevention

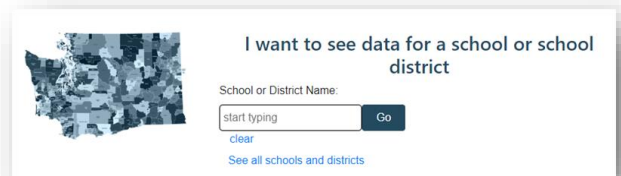
- Safe Storage of Medication
- Safe Storage of Firearms

## Did you know?

Every year OSPI publishes a report card for each district and each school within the district. You can [access the 2022-23 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. Select your choice to view the report card.

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



## Calendar reminder

February 19-20 is mid-winter break.

## High School and Middle School Summer Academy

Registration for Everett Public Schools High School and Middle School Summer Academy starts Monday, March 11.

High School Summer Academy includes district-facilitated credit recovery courses and credit advancement opportunities. In addition, career exploration, mentorship and internships are available through Everett Career Link.

Middle School Summer Academy focuses on exciting and engaging math and English Language Arts content for current 5th through 7th grade students. Academic lessons include math problem-solving and foundations as well as literature through close reading and novel studies, to help students build foundational skills needed for the next year.

High School and Middle School Summer Academy classes are located at Eisenhower Middle School and are scheduled for July 8 – 26, 2024. In-person summer programming is free to in-district students. Transportation and meals are provided.



In addition to in-person programming, online classes for high school students are hosted through OnlineHS. Online classes are scheduled for June 24 - August 1, 2024; tuition is \$350 per class for in-district students and \$450 per class for out-of-district students. Scholarships are available based on need. For more information or to register for classes, please visit <https://www.everettsd.org/domain/2422>.

## Latest Parent U Video: College & Career Readiness Seminar

[Check out Everett Public School's latest video on Parent University!](#) It covers our College and Career Readiness Seminar, a must for all seniors gearing up for life after high school. They dive into essential 21st-century skills, navigating FAFSA for post-high school education, crafting resumes, honing interview skills, understanding financial stability, and much more!



## Crosswalk safety reminder

Drive smart. Keep kids safe. It is important to be extra cautious this time of year when it is darker in the mornings and late afternoons. Make sure everyone gets home safely by staying alert, slowing down and following all traffic laws and signals.

### Drivers:

- Eliminate distractions – put your phones down and keep your eyes on the road.
- Pedestrians can be unpredictable. Be alert at all times and don't assume they see you.
- Be extra cautious early in the morning, at night and in rainy weather.



### Students:

- Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and use intersections with crossing guards.
- Cross the street in a designated crosswalk. Be extra careful in rainy, foggy, or snowy weather.
- Always look left, then right, then left again before crossing a street and allow enough time to cross the street safely.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing the street. Never assume a driver sees you.
- Don't be distracted by electronic devices that take your eyes and ears off the road.

## National School Counseling Week

The week of February 5 to 9 is National School Counseling Week and highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career. We love our counselors!





## Do you have a student receiving 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 potatoes grown in the PNW! Be sure to check out our menu for dishes containing this tasty Harvest of the month!

Did you know that potatoes are the most popular vegetable grown in the US and are an excellent source of Vitamin C, B6 and potassium? Find out more by checking out the Harvest of the Month flyer on the district [website](#).



## Remember to vote

Please remember to vote by February 13, 2023.



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- service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth
- groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints
- of alleged discrimination:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Title IX/Civil Rights</b></li> <li>• <b>Compliance Officer:</b></li> <li>• Kevin Allen</li> <li>• 425-385-4100</li> <li>• <a href="mailto:KAllen@everettsd.org">KAllen@everettsd.org</a></li> <li>• PO Box 2098</li> <li>• Everett, WA 98213</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Section 504 Coordinator:</b></li> <li>• Dave Peters</li> <li>• 425-385-4063</li> <li>• <a href="mailto:DPeters@everettsd.org">DPeters@everettsd.org</a></li> <li>• PO Box 2098</li> <li>• Everett, WA 98213</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ADA Coordinator:</b></li> <li>• Randi Seaberg</li> <li>• 425-385-4104</li> <li>• <a href="mailto:RSeaberg@everettsd.org">RSeaberg@everettsd.org</a></li> <li>• PO Box 2098</li> <li>• Everett, WA 98213</li> </ul>
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