MONROE ELEMENTARY

October 2, 2023

Message from the Principal



Dear Monroe families,

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for attending Curriculum Night this year. It was wonderful to see so many faces and to welcome new families into our school community. Your presence and engagement are truly appreciated.

Curriculum Night provides a valuable opportunity for us to connect, share important information about the upcoming school

year, and build a strong partnership between home and school. We hope you found the presentations and discussions informative and insightful as we shared our educational goals and expectations for the year ahead.

As we navigate the first month of school, we kindly request that you take a moment to review and remember our drop-off procedures. Please make sure you are using the loop in front of the school and not the bus lane to drop off your student. Ensuring the safety and well-being of all our students is our top priority, and adhering to these guidelines is essential in achieving that goal. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated and goes a long way in creating a safe and efficient environment for all.

If you have any questions or need further clarification regarding our drop-off procedures or any other school-related matter, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you and your child's educational journey.

Once again, thank you for your active involvement and support. We look forward to a successful school year ahead and working together to provide the best possible education for your children.

Go EAGLES!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

October

Thursday, October 5 -- Awards Assembly (2:00pm in MOE Cafeteria)

Friday, October 6 -- Spirit Day + PTA Popcorn (Wear Red, White & Blue)

Friday, October 6 -- LIF Day (1:35pm Dismissal)

Thursday, October 12 -- Natural Leaders Meet & Greet Potluck (6:00-7:00pm in MOE Cafeteria)

Friday, October 13 -- NO SCHOOL (Teacher Work Day - Office Closed)

Friday, October 20 -- PTA Fun Run

Friday, October 20 -- LIF Day (1:35pm Dismissal)

Friday, October 27 -- LIF Day (1:35pm Dismissal)

Friday, October 27 -- PTA Pumpkin Night (6:00pm)

November

Thursday, November 2 -- Awards Assembly (9:00am in MOE Cafeteria)

Friday, November 3 - Spirit Day + PTA Popcorn (Grade Color Day)

Friday, November 3 -- 12:20pm Dismissal

Friday, November 10 - NO SCHOOL (Veterans Day Observed)

Monday, November 13, through Friday, November 17 -- Conference Week (12:20pm Dismissal)

Wednesday, November 22, through Friday, November 24 -- NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving Break)

Wednesday, November 29 -- Picture Retake Day

NATURAL LEADERS KICK OFF NIGHT

Please join us October 12 from 6:00-7:00pm for our Natural Leaders Meet & Greet Potluck. Bring food to share and your family and learn about Natural Leaders. This group is a community of families from diverse backgrounds who gather to connect with each other and our school. We hope you can make it!





CHANGE IN WAY HOME

If your student will go home in a way that is different from the normal way, please send an email to our attendance email (MOEAttendance@everettsd.org) or call our office at (425) 385-7300 to report the change. Changes can only be made by listed guardians. To make sure we are able to verify and communicate the change to the teacher in time for dismissal, please do not make changes less than 30 minutes prior to dismissal. Thank you for your cooperation.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP REMINDERS

When dropping off or picking up your student, please remember to only use the drive through loop in our main lot off of 27th Ave. The entrance off of 110th is for staff parking, buses, and daycare vans. You are welcome to park in our main lot off of 27th Ave and walk your student to the south side entry to say goodbye to your child before they head to the cafeteria for breakfast or their line with their classmates.

ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

We hope to see your student at school every day, but we understand illnesses and emergencies do happen. In the event you need to report your student absent, please email MOEAttendance@everettsd.org. Please include:

- Student Name
- Student ID Number
- Teacher Name
- Date(s) of Absence
- Reason for Absence
- Parent/Guardian Name
- Parent/Guardian Phone Number

The email must be from the one we have on file for you. If we do not have an email address on file, or if you are unable to send an email, please call our **Attendance Line at (425) 385-7305** and leave

a message with the information mentioned above.

For extended absences due to travel, up to five days are excused, and we request that you fill out a Prearranged Absence Form so we can prepare for your child's absence. This form can be found in our office or by clicking <u>here</u>.

FROM OUR MONROE PTA

Monroe PTA Corner

Hello! Welcome to the PTA Corner of the Monroe Elementary School newsletter! *Be in the know* and read below!

Join PTA

Joining the Monroe PTA is a great way to connect, know about and have a voice in PTA activities, and help our students and school!

Join here: https://mp.gg/t8193

Volunteer with PTA

We are looking for volunteers to help with the following:

- Popcorn Friday!*
- o When: 1st Friday of each month
- o What: help pop and bag 500+ bags of popcorn to be enjoyed by Monroe Students and Staff
- o Why: We can't do it without you! Unfortunately, we may need to cancel popcorn Fridays if we don't have support.
- o How: Sign Up link: www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AFAF29A2FFC34-37615306-popcorn
- Fun Run*
- o When: October 20th from 8am-1:30pm (volunteer all day or for a smaller block of time)
- o What: Help to set up the course, count laps and cheer on our students, clean-up
- o Why: We can't do it without you!
- o How: www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AFAF29A2FFC34-44346305-monroe
- *school day volunteers must be approved Everett School District volunteers

Apply here: https://www.everettsd.org/volunteer

Yearbooks

WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS! Please send us your favorite photos of this school year: first day, Pumpkin Night, Field Trips, etc.

We rely heavily on our families and staff to provide us with photos from the school year to feature in our Monroe Yearbook!

MonroeEaglesPTA@gmail.com

Don't miss out this year. Order your yearbook TODAY! https://buytheyearbook.pictavo.com/

Fun Run

Monroe PTA Spirit Fun Run materials will be going home with students the week of October 2nd. This is our biggest fundraiser for the year and allows us to be able to support field trips, assemblies, recess equipment, specialist grants, staff reimbursement and so much more throughout the school year!

The Monroe PTA is, once again, hosting this event so that funds raised stay with our school and students!

Our Fun Run is focused on community (plus a little friendly competition) so we will be doing classroom level and school-wide prizes. New this year will also be an individual prize for students who raise \$50+ - a pair of Monroe Spiritwear Socks!

Please keep your eyes open for our neon packet!

Pumpkin Night, Book Fair & Clothes Drive

Mark your calendars! Pumpkin Night will be Friday, October 27th from 6-8pm in the Monroe gym and cafeteria! Bring your pumpkin(s) to carve; we will provide tools and templates for pumpkin carving and take care of the clean-up! Join us for carnival-style games and facepainting! Our fall bookfair will also be going on during Pumpkin Night! All funds raised during the bookfair will go towards adding new materials to our Monroe Library!

Please also bring any new or gently-used and laundered clothes to Pumpkin Night as we build up our Monroe clothing closet to support our students and families! We are starting with nothing so need underwear, socks, pants/sweats, shirts, sweaters/sweatshirts, jackets/coats, hats, mittens/gloves, etc. in children's size 5 through adult sizes. Thank you for your support!

Food Drive Begins October 2nd

Our Monroe food closet has been cleaned out and we are in need of a few categories of food items. Types of food have been divided by grade level to hopefully get a little bit from each category. If you are able to contribute to our food closet, we are in need of the following: Kindergarten: Rice and Pasta Mixes (ie: Rice A Roni, Pasta Roni, Mac and Cheese, etc)

1st Grade: Non-perishable fruit (ie: canned fruit, fruit pouches, etc)
2nd Grade: Hot and Cold Cereal (ie: Instant oatmeal, Cheerios, etc)

3rd Grade: Canned Soups (ie: Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Soups, Chili, etc)

4th Grade: Pancake Mix and Syrup 5th Grade: Nut Butters and Jelly

Business Sponsors / Company Match

Company Match: Did you know the Monroe PTA is a 501c3 not for profit and is eligible for most company match donations? This means donations can go twice as far!

We are also looking for businesses to become sponsors of our PTA this year! If you have a business and would like to become a sponsor of Monroe PTA or if you know of a business that may like to become a sponsor, please email us at: MonroeEaglesPTA@gmail.com
Thank you!

Upcoming Events: October 2023

10/6: Popcorn Friday, Monroe Cafeteria, In School **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

10/20: Monroe Spirit Fun Run, In School

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10/25: MOD Pizza Dine Out, Mill Creek, All Day 10/27: Pumpkin Night, Monroe Cafeteria/Gym, 6-8pm

Monroe PTA Executive Board 2023/24

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