



News release
October 22, 2018

New elementary school in search of a name

Elementary 18 to be named with help of community and students



The 18th elementary school in Everett Public Schools is scheduled to open fall 2019. A committee of staff and community members is looking for school name suggestions.

If you live in the south end of the school district, you may have noticed a lot of action happening in the area east of Sunset Road on 180th St. SE, the site of the new elementary school. Since the June groundbreaking, there has been nonstop construction. So far, 8' diameter corrugated metal pipes were installed under the parking lot for the underground storm water detention system. The two-story structure is taking shape with metal framing and concrete floors. These beginning stages lay the groundwork for what will transform into 30

classrooms, an office, library, gymnasium, a cafeteria, kitchen, covered play area and playfields. The site also has a protected wetlands area, which will be used for outdoor learning. Built with funds from the 2016 capital bond, the school is scheduled to open in time for the start of school in fall 2019.

Ms. Celia O'Connor-Weaver, currently the principal at Hawthorne Elementary School, will be the principal of the new elementary school. Approximately 60 faculty and staff will join her to support student learning. The hiring of that staff will begin in early 2019.

A committee of staff and community members have begun the process of recommending a school name for the board to consider. The committee is gathering school name suggestions through an online survey through Oct. 28. Students attending the schools near the new elementary school location, Cedar Wood, Forest View and Woodside, will help the committee narrow the name selections the committee will propose to the school board in early December.

You can participate in the naming process, as well as see updates and milestones for the new elementary school, at www.everettsd.org/elementary18.

--end--

For more information:

[Kathy Reeves](#), Director of Communications, 425-385-4040

[Gerard Holzman](#), Planning Principal for Elementary 18, 425-385-4192

[Celia O'Connor-Weaver](#), Future Principal of Elementary 18, 425-385-4600