

## News release January 8, 2021

## **Everett Public Schools to host "Let's Connect" events in January**

Virtual events are an opportunity for families, staff and community to provide input



Everett Public Schools will host several important "Let's Connect" community engagement events in January. Let's Connect events are held virtually and provide an opportunity for district leadership to share important information and receive feedback and input from our school communities on a variety of topics.

Please join us as we discuss the district's budget outlook and continue the process of refreshing our strategic plan.

January Let's Connect events include:

- Budget Outlook Thursday, January 21 at 5 p.m.
- Strategic Plan Refresh Monday, January 25 at 5 p.m.
- Strategic Plan Refresh Thursday, January 28 at 5 p.m.

Learn how the COVID-19 pandemic and full remote student learning has significantly altered how school districts are funded across the state and the local implications for Everett Public Schools. Districts are making significant efforts to offset major COVID cost increases with numerous initiatives to save money but continue to rely heavily upon the 2021 State Legislature to make emergency fixes to the state funding formulas to avoid major cuts for the next school year. Share your perspectives on how public education might look different as we work together as a district and community to recover from the effects of the pandemic with a common goal to emerge better than we were before.

Our two Strategic Plan Refresh events provide an opportunity for our community to help us define long-term strategic goals and priorities assist us in building common goals and outcomes for students. The content at both Strategic Plan Refresh events is identical, so attendees should register for just one of the dates.

Attendees must pre-register at the link(s) below:

- Let's Connect | Budget Outlook January 21
- Let's Connect | Strategic Plan Refresh January 25
- Let's Connect | Strategic Plan Refresh January 28

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information on how to join the meeting.

We look forward to hosting our school families, district staff and our valued community members and partners as we continue inspiring, educating and preparing our students to achieve to high standards, contribute to our community and thrive in a global society.

## For more information:

**Kathy Reeves**, Director of Communications, 425-385-4040