



Dr. Saltzman staff message May 13, 2021

To: All EPS staff
From: Dr. Ian B. Saltzman, Superintendent
Regarding: Fall 2021 Plans

Good afternoon staff! What an incredible year this has been and what great work you have done. I appreciate each and every one of you! I hope this finds you well and enjoying these long, sunny days in the Pacific Northwest!

We have a little over five weeks of school left and I know we are going to finish strong. There is a lot of learning that can happen in five weeks, as well as a lot of personal connections with students that we know is so needed at this time.

While we are finishing this year well, we are also looking with excitement to the fall. Everett Public Schools, like other districts in our region, state and nationally, are planning on opening 100% in person in the fall. The anticipation is great as students may be entering a school for the first time, or may not have seen their classmates in person for over a year. We look forward to the energy as the new year kicks off.

I wanted to make sure you knew our plans now. All staff will be back in the buildings. We know that nothing is 100% guaranteed in the future, but we are moving forward with this plan and encourage you to anticipate working and teaching in person in our schools next year.

I get excited just writing about it. Let's not jump ahead too fast though, and focus on making the last 27 days meaningful and full of learning.

And on the topic of end of the year, I want to let you know **the last day of school this year is Monday, June 21st, and will be an asynchronous day**. The day will be used for device and material drop off and pick up. If you have any questions, please contact your supervisor.

Please be safe and be well,

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