

Heatherwood Hawk News

HEATHERWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal

Dear Heatherwood School Community,

One month into our school year and we continue to build a strong school community through a variety of events and programs. I'm so proud of our hawk shareholders (students, staff, and families) for our shared goals and vision for a positive and productive school year ahead. We have accomplished so much in only a few weeks and continue to build solid foundation for what's to come.

We have had an opportunity to assess our student's academic baseline progress through i-Ready Diagnostics, Performance Matters, and Zinc Reading Assessments. As such, we can review and generate individual supports and group interventions. We have also had the opportunity to assess our students social emotional learning through our Panorama Survey. With the results of our Panorama survey, we will focus our energy and hawk time lessons to meet the needs of our students.

We encourage our students to get involved in their school community and to make their school campus their home away from home. That said, we have had a wonderful turn-out with our fall athletics and annual Club Fair. Our fall season sports have shown great promise with winning games and meets early on. Check out our athletic schedule, join us for an athletic event, and show your hawk pride. Our Club Fair was also a wonderful success with over 12 clubs to join. Our clubs are already meeting weekly and there are many to choose from.

In looking ahead, we have a 'Let's Connect' event on October 6 in the Heatherwood cafeteria. This event is sponsored by the district and starts at 6:00pm. Everett Public Schools is looking for feedback from our Region 3 parents and guardians regarding academic and social emotional supports for our students.

Lastly, our annual Curriculum Night that will be held on October 10 starting at 5:30pm. This is an opportunity to share our common goals and vision for the school year. We will start with administration and counseling introductions in the lower gym with classroom rotations starting at 6:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Happy Fall and Thank you for your shared hawk commitment. Together we SOAR!

In Partnership,
Laura Wellington

Laura Wellington
Principal

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October 6

Let's Connect – 6:00pm

October 7

Learning Improvement Friday

October 10

Curriculum Night 5:30 – 7:40pm

October 12

7th Grade Vision Screening

October 14

No School – Teacher Workday

October 21

Learning Improvement Friday

October 28

Early Release @ 12:20pm

October 31

Early Release @ 12:20pm



From the Assistant Principal

Welcome Hawks to the month of October! I hope you had an amazing first few weeks of school and are ready to enjoy the beginning of fall here at Heatherwood!

This month on October 20th, we will be participating in The Great Washington Shake Out when Heatherwood Middle School joins Washington state in practicing earthquake safety. During our earthquake drill that morning, students and staff will be practicing with directions to “Drop, Cover, and Hold.” We look forward to this opportunity to prepare along with others throughout the state and nation. For more information, please feel free to contact me, or go to Washington’s Great Shake Out website at: shakeout.org/washington.

For assessment this month, Heatherwood students will be completing iReady diagnostics in reading and mathematics. Information gathered from these assessments help teachers monitor where students are at in their skills development and how we can best support all learners. We are excited to learn more about how our students are doing, and what we can do to provide support this year.

I hope you have a great month of October, and please let me know if you have any questions or ways that I can help support.

Happy October and Go Hawks!

Chris Doll
Assistant Principal

Counselor’s Corner

Signs of Suicide

School Counselors will be delivering the annual Signs of Suicide lesson in science classes during the weeks of October 3rd (8th grade), October 17th (7th grade), and October 24th (6th grade). The lesson duration is one class period.

Please read our parent letter about the lesson: [2022-23 HEA SOS Parent Letter](#). The letter contains information about the curriculum and where to read more about SOS online.

ASB Happenings

ASB has been meeting every week since the first day of school to make this a great school year! During orientation, ASB gave tours and answered questions from students. That same week ASB helped set up and supervise the Ice Cream Social for new 6th graders and students. PTA and ASB served hundreds of ice cream cones and popsicles to incoming sixth graders. The third week of school was Spirit Week, which ASB hosted with great success. We are currently working on another Spirit Week for the last week in October. Our student store will be open starting October 6th on Thursday mornings before school. We will also be open during lunches on the first and third Friday of each month.

There is a wait list for 7th and 8th grade to join ASB. Sixth grade elections are going to be held during October. We are excited to welcome new 6th graders on board!



Let's Connect

In an effort to engage in two-way conversations with families, Everett Public Schools holds hour long Let's Connect sessions to allow families to engage on a topic with either district or school administrators and provide input on specific topics.

The first Let's Connect of the school year is scheduled for October 6 from 6-7 p.m. and is 'in-person' where we will talk about academic needs your student may have and what student achievement means to you. Each region will host this session for their school families and interpreters from prominent languages in our district will be on site.

LET'S CONNECT
October 6, 2022

Back to School

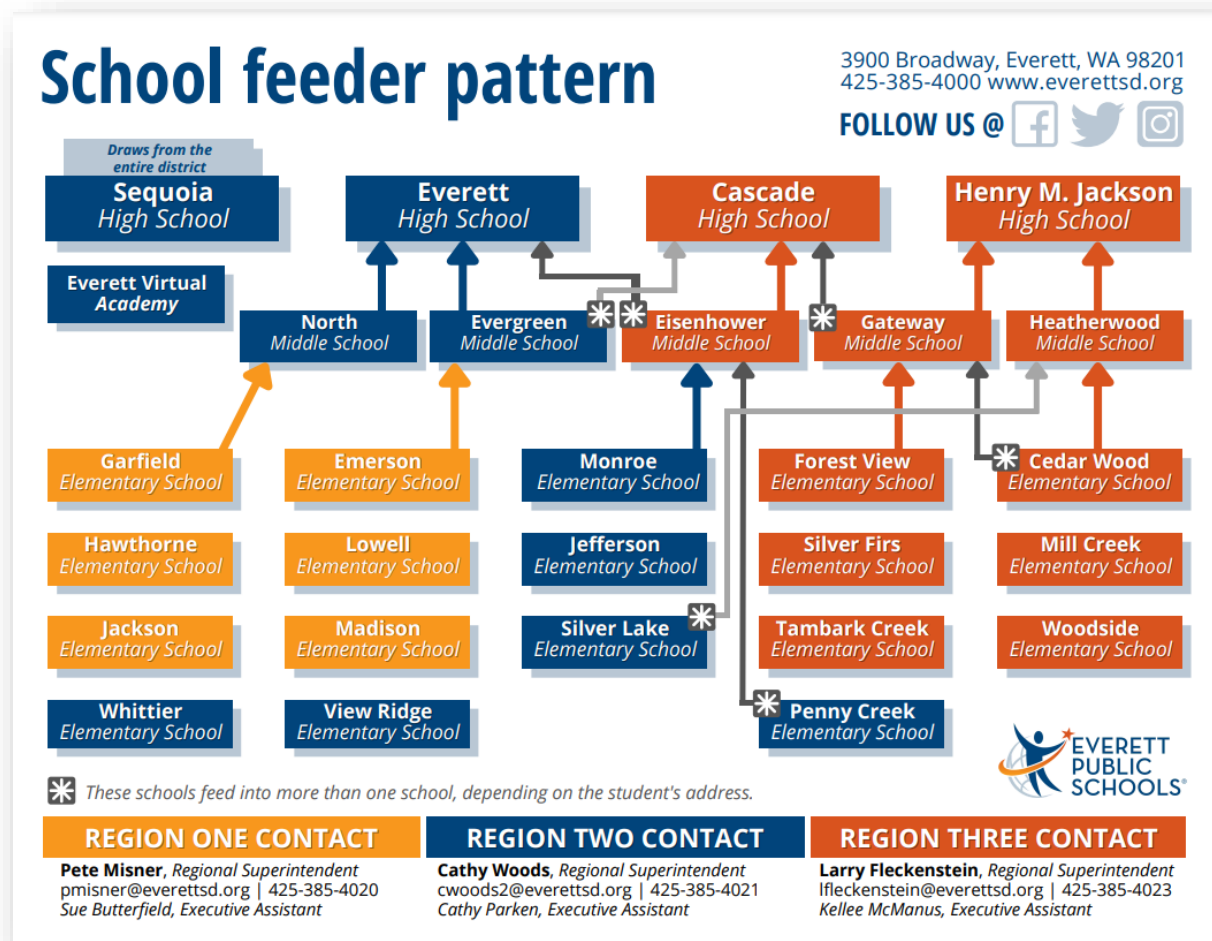
- What are academic needs your student may have?
- What does student achievement mean to you?

Please see the location information below for each region's session and the graphic below to determine the schools in each region.

Region One: Madison ES - Cafeteria

Region Two: Evergreen MS - Cafeteria

Region Three: Heatherwood MS – Cafeteria





Parent University

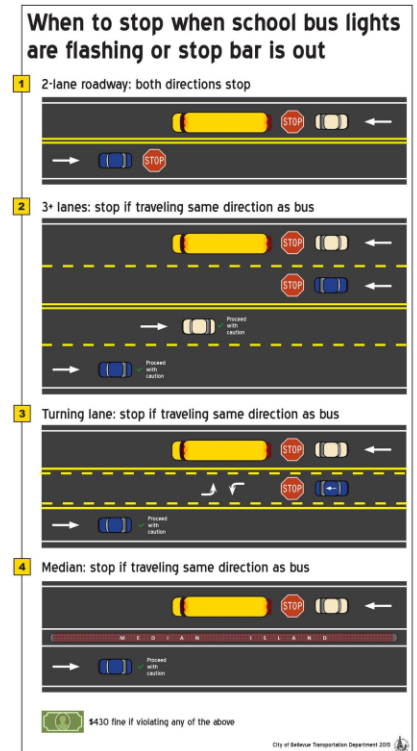
Parent University is an on-demand resource created to help parents and guardians become full partners in their child's education. Parent and family engagement in education positively impacts the academic and social success of children. Content includes a selection of pre-recorded videos and how-to documents that can be viewed at any time. You will find Parent University, at www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity.



Safety reminders

As mornings become darker and darker, drivers, please keep an eye out for students walking and waiting at their bus stops. Families, please have your students wait for the bus to come to a complete stop and the flashing lights and stop sign to be fully out before they cross the street. Here is great graphic showing when to stop for school buses, and if you are ever in doubt--STOP! Other safety reminders include:

- Students and parents should wait on the curb when waiting for the school bus, not off the curb or in the street.
- Do not stand in school crosswalks, obey crossing guards if present.
- Be focused and aware when walking in school parking lots. We encourage walkers to stay off their cell phones while walking. Dark mornings may make it difficult for drivers to see walkers.
- Bicyclist must abide by the same laws as drivers, which means they must stop for school buses when applicable.
- If possible, wear lighter clothing/coats or add something reflective on darker clothing.



Did you miss a call from us?

If you missed a call from your school, please first check your voice mail, email or mobile app for the message rather than calling the school. Schools are often inundated with phone calls from parents after they send an automated call and cannot answer all the calls. If messaging is still not being delivered, then you will need to update your contact information at your school. If your contact information has changed, please let your school know so they can update the system to be able to successfully reach you.



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• Title IX/Civil Rights Compliance Officer:
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Let's Connect (Conectémonos)

En un esfuerzo de poder entablar una conversación bidireccional con las familias, las Escuelas Públicas de Everett celebran las sesiones de "Let's Connect" de una hora de duración para permitir a las familias a que participen de un tema con el distrito o con los administradores escolares y puedan proporcionar sus comentarios y opiniones en temas específicos.

La primera sesión de Let's Connect del año escolar está programada para el 6 de octubre de 6pm a 7pm en persona, en donde se discutirán las necesidades académicas que su estudiante pueda tener y que significa para usted el logro académico. Cada región celebrará esta sesión para sus familias escolares y se contará con intérpretes de los idiomas más destacados de nuestro distrito.

Por favor consulte la información sobre la ubicación de las sesiones de cada región y el gráfico que figura a continuación para determinar las escuelas de cada región.

Región uno: Madison ES - Cafetería

Región dos: Evergreen MS - Cafetería

Región Tres: Heatherwood MS – Cafetería

LET'S CONNECT

6 de octubre de 2022

Back to School

- ¿Cuáles son las necesidades académicas que pueda tener su estudiante?
- ¿Qué significa para usted el logro académico del estudiante?





Parent University (Universidad para Padres)

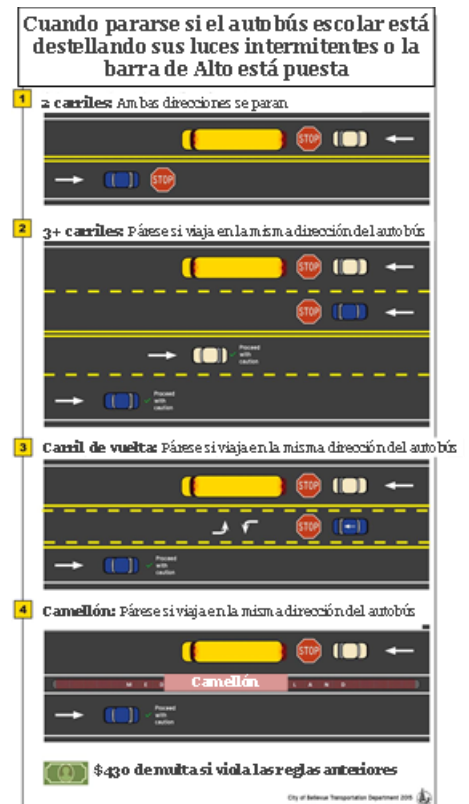


La Universidad para Padres es un recurso en demanda creado para ayudar a los padres y tutores legales a hacerse socios completos en la educación de sus hijos/hijas. La participación de los padres y las familias en la educación afectan positivamente el éxito académico y social de los niños y niñas. El contenido incluye la selección de documentos prácticos que pueden ser vistos en cualquier momento. Usted puede encontrar Parent University en www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity.

Recordatorios de seguridad

Ahora que las mañanas se están haciendo más oscuras, le pedimos por favor a los conductores que tengan precaución con los estudiantes que están caminando y esperando en las paradas de autobús. Familias, por favor hagan que sus estudiantes se esperen a que el autobús se pare por completo, destelle sus luces intermitentes y despliegue la barra de alto por completo antes de cruzar la calle. Aquí les presentamos una gráfica que muestra cuando detenerse ante los autobuses escolares. Y si tiene duda--¡DETÉGANSE! Otros recordatorios de seguridad incluyen:

- Los estudiantes y los padres deben esperar en la acera cuando esperen el autobús escolar y no abajo de la banqueta o en el arroyo vehicular.
- No se paren en los cruces escolares, obedezca a los guardias de cruce cuando estén presentes.
- Enfóquese y esté alerta al caminar en los estacionamientos escolares. Exhortamos a las personas que caminan que no estén distraídos con sus celulares al ir caminando. Las mañanas oscuras pueden producir dificultades para que los conductores puedan ver a los peatones.
- Los ciclistas deben apegarse a las mismas leyes que los conductores, lo que significa que deben pararse ante los autobuses escolares cuando aplique.
- Si es posible, use ropa/abrigos ligeros reflectivo sobre la ropa oscura.



¿Tiene una llamada perdida de nosotros?

Si tiene una llamada perdida de su escuela, primero verifique su correo de voz, email o aplicación móvil para el mensaje, en lugar de llamar a la escuela. Las escuelas están a menudo inundadas con llamadas de los padres después de recibir una llamada automatizada y no pueden responder a todas las llamadas. Si no le están llegando los mensajes, entonces tendrá que actualizar su información de contacto en su escuela. Si su información de contacto ha cambiado, por favor, avise a su escuela para que puedan actualizar el sistema y poder contactarlo.



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- Las escuelas públicas de Everett no discriminan en ninguno de sus programas o actividades por sexo, raza, credo, religión, color, país de origen, edad, estado veterano o militar, orientación sexual, expresión de género o identidad, discapacidad, o el uso de perros guía entrenados o animales de servicio, y provee con acceso equitativo a los Boy Scouts y a otros grupos juveniles designados. Los siguientes empleados han sido designados para gestionar las preguntas y quejas de presuntos actos de discriminación.

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