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Just what IS Everett Public Schools Homeschool Alternative? Thursday, Jan. 27 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. is a great time to catch the school's spirit and learn all about it.

Recognizing that parents are the primary educators of children, the Homeschool Alternative, located next to Sequoia High School (3516 Rucker Ave. in Everett) is a parent partnership program where homeschooling parents find resources to teach, support, encourage and guide students. Students as young as kindergarten or mature as twelfth grade may choose to take a variety of classes at the homeschool Monday through Friday in partnership with their schooling at home.

Principal Sally Lancaster affirms, "We work as partners with parents to create and provide the best educational plan for each individual student. Students in our program are public school students enrolled in a parent partnership program. We provide our families with curriculum resources, information, guidance and state mandated assessments through our certified teachers. High school credits earned in our program can be used to meet graduation requirements at any of the district's high schools.

During Thursday's <u>annual open house</u>, those interested in the educational benefits of a parent partnership program will see students and staff engaged in interactive demonstrations of the learning and activities available.

The school's offerings span core academic subjects and engaging electives, and Thursday's demonstrations will include the following and <u>more</u>:

- When Clay Sings! Second- through seventh-graders show their pottery creations.
- Slides, Flips and Turns Elementary students have been studying 2-D and 3-D geometry. Come and see their hands-on illustrations of math concepts.
- Connected Math Test your math skills against those of a middle school student.

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- Seussical Jr. Check out the photos of homeschool students involved in a musical at Evergreen Middle School and see how we partner with parents and with district schools – enriching the learning of all.
- Pebbles and Patterns What kind of rock is that? You will learn all about them from kindergarten and first-grade students who have been making geological discoveries.
- *Gymnastics* See them tumble. Don't miss this amazing twisted demonstration!
- Beginning Spanish and Spanish 2 Students from second grade through twelfth will demonstrate what they've learned of this beautiful language.

Parents, students and staff will be on hand for tours and questions and to show you even more about the activities and student success happening at Everett Public Schools' Homeschool Alternative.

For more information about the school or the open house, call 425-385-5150.

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