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A Web-based newsletter for the staff of Everett Public Schools

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UNITED WAY DONATION FORMS DUE FRIDAY, DEC. 14

Do you have your donation form tucked into a desk drawer? We are just a few donors behind the number we had last year and a few thousand dollars lower than last year's total donation. Take a moment to locate your form. Give the form to your school or department United Way coordinator or drop it in the intradistrict mail – send to the Everett Public Schools Foundation office at Hawthorne. "Thank you" to the Foundation for coordinating this important community support effort for the district.

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SPEAKING OF UNITED WAY...

FREE low income tax preparation clinics start in January. Once again, the district is partnering with United Way to open a clinic at North Middle School. Last year, 96 United Way volunteer tax preparers filled out 2,511 tax returns and generated more than \$4.2 million in refunds for taxpayers in the county – including many of our school families.

Thanks for your donations that help make these clinics possible and that make so many safety net programs available for families that need them.

Everett High School has a good idea! On Saturday, Jan. 12, EHS counselors and staff are hosting a FAFSA completion afternoon (FAFSA is the complexity of forms seniors fill out to secure college financing). They'll combine that completion workshop with United Way's free tax preparation – a perfect marriage because so much of the financial information families need for taxes and FAFSA are the very same. **Great thinking, EHS!**

TALKING TO KIDS ABOUT MARIJUANA ... On Dec. 5, the North Middle School PTA is holding that conversation. They've entitled that evening's presentation as *Speaking to Your Kids About Marijuana*. In this age of legalization, the PTA hopes to draw parents and staff to learn more from experts, including Youth Eastside Services. [More info is online.](#)

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WHO SAW THE LEADER IN YOU? Who mentored and coached you?

The Danforth Educational Leadership Program of the University of Washington invites you to identify the next wave of school leaders. The program is looking for committed educators who:

- exhibit a deep knowledge of teaching and learning
- collaborate with others
- engage with students and families
- actively serve traditionally marginalized students

To nominate an aspiring leader, enter their contact information [online](#).

Danforth will invite nominees to an upcoming information session. More information about Danforth programs and award-winning alumni are available on the [Web](#).

Danforth will be in our district on **Tuesday, Dec. 11, 4:30 to 6 p.m., Longfellow Large Annex, 3715 Oakes Avenue, Everett, WA 98201.**

If you miss next Tuesday's session, Danforth will also be at the Puyallup School District Central Office, 302 Second St. SE, Puyallup on **Wednesday, Dec. 12, 3:30 to 5 p.m. AND 5:15 to 6:45 p.m.**

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WHOOPIING COUGH IS ALIVE AND WELL – FREE vaccination clinic on Dec. 8 could help stamp it out

Adults can carry whooping cough and, without realizing it, pass it on to young children. The Snohomish Health District and South Everett-Mukilteo Rotary are partnering to provide FREE vaccination for adults over 19 to get whooping cough vaccines, Dec. 8 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

At the same time, elementary students can get FREE DTap, Tdap and flu shots, and middle and high school students can get FREE Tdap and flu shots.

NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT

12.03.2012 [Super Kid: Bradlee Liang, CHS](#)

11.30.2012 [All-area volleyball player of the year: Jackson's Emmy Allen](#)

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OPPORTUNITIES IN BRIEF

1. Celebrate the holidays in Everett this year at the annual [Wintertide](#) event. The family-friendly event is free and runs from 4 to 7 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 13** at the plaza next to the Everett Performing Arts Center, 2710 Wetmore Ave. in downtown Everett.
2. [“Letters About Literature” contest](#) invites students in grades four through 10 to write a personal letter to their favorite author, living or dead. The deadline for the contest is **Jan. 11**. At the state level, a \$125 cash prize is available, as well as the ability to advance to the national competition. The first-place prize in the national contest is \$1,000.
3. **Sno-Isle TECH Skills Center, Open House, Jan. 15, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.** Sessions begin on the half hour and will involve interactive curriculum stations where students get a true feel for “a day in the life” of each of four popular programs. Check out [Sno-Isle on the Web](#)! New applications for 2013-14 will be available on the [website](#) 7 p.m. Jan. 15, 2013, after the open house. Because of the popularity of Sno-Isle programs, they can guarantee interviews only for applicants who submit applications before Feb. 8, 2013 at 4 p.m.
4. Providence Regional Medical Center’s [2013 Summer High School Volunteer Program](#) takes place from June 24 through August 30 for interested sophomores, juniors and seniors between the ages of 16-18. This commitment requires 60 hours of service within their hospital setting as well as one week of service at Camp Providence (a day camp in Everett for special needs children). Students can contact Volunteer Services at 425-261-4580 during the month of January 2013. **Deadline to sign up is Jan. 31, 2013.**

KEY DATES – [important dates and celebrations](#) you won't want to miss planning for now!

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – All policies and procedures are [available online](#).

[Policy 5010](#) and [Procedure 5010P](#) – Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action
[Policy 5160](#) and [Procedure 5160P](#) – Sexual Harassment

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