

BONDS & LEVIES

School quiz - true or false?

- 1

True or False? — When voters approve a school levy or bond issue, they approve a tax rate.

☐ True ☒ False

Voters approve a total cost of a bond or levy, a total dollar amount, not a “tax rate.”
- 2

True or False? — When property values go up, the school district gets more money for schools.

☐ True ☒ False

School districts collect only the amount the voters approve. The tax rate may vary, but the total dollar amount collected does not increase when property values go up.
- 3

True or False? — When property values go down, the school district gets less money for schools.

☐ True ☒ False

School districts collect only the amount approved by voters. The tax rate may vary, but the total dollar amount collected does not decrease when property values go down.
- 4

True or False? — Construction bond dollars cannot pay for teaching staff or the cost of day-to-day operations or transportation.

☒ True ☐ False

Construction bond dollars must be used for capital projects and cannot pay to lower class size or for school bus transportation.
- 5

True or False? — More houses built in your neighborhood mean the district collects more money.

☐ True ☒ False

More property in a school district means more owners are paying a share of the bond or levy. The total bond or levy amount divided among more property owners means each property owner pays less, not more.

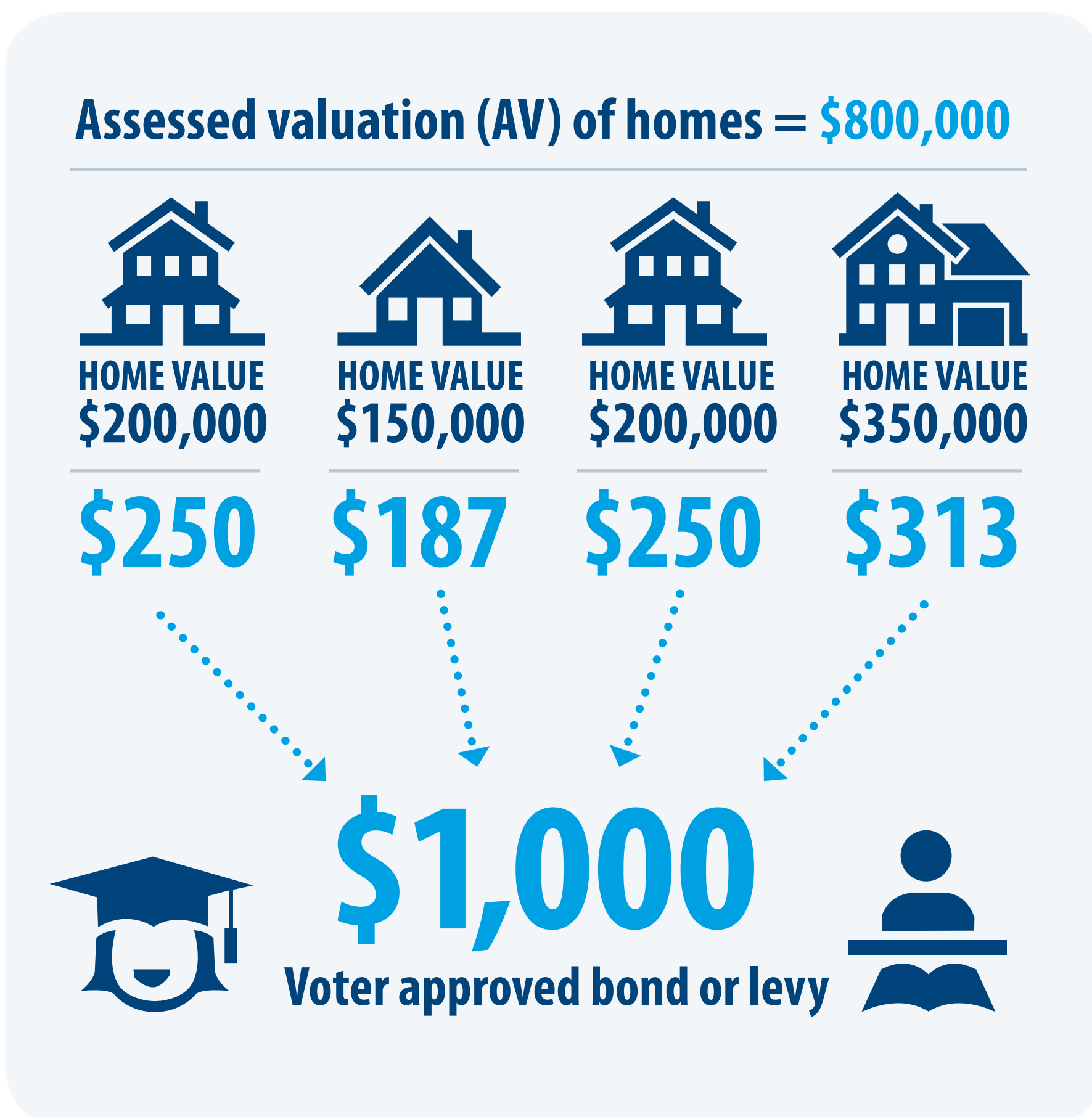
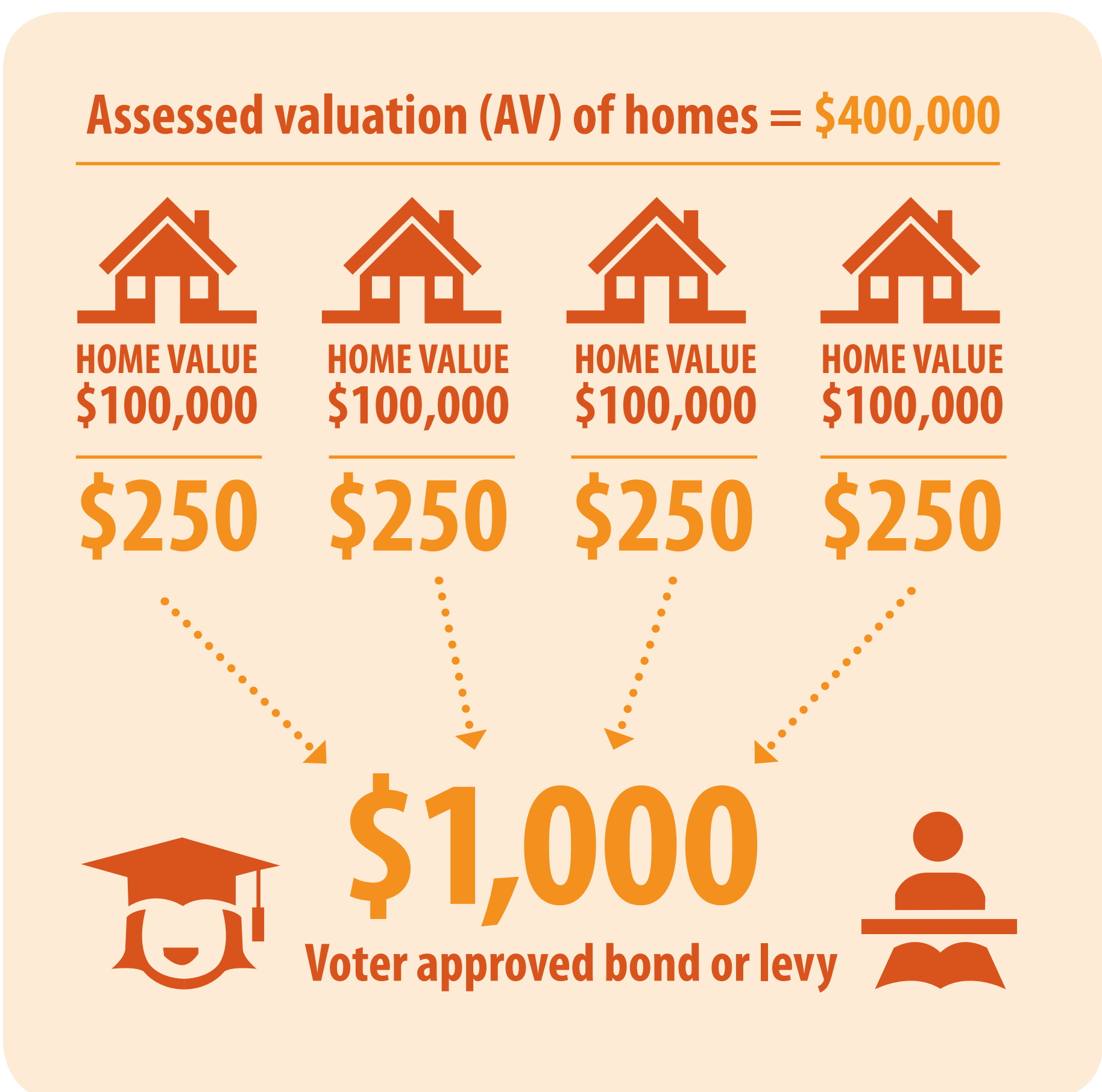
Property taxes 101



How changes in property values affect your taxes

Sample School District has four houses, each assessed at \$100,000. The district’s voters approve a \$1,000 bond or levy. Because property values are the same, each pays the same amount to reach the total approved amount of \$1,000.

Sample School District still has four houses, but assessed valuation (AV) has gone up. Each now pays a different amount to reach \$1,000. **The district collects only the total voters approve, no matter how property values change.**



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How does a district prepare for building new schools?

Using growth projections; considering how education may change

Capital Facilities Advisory Council (CFAC) includes parents, staff, students and citizens who consider:

- **School size and capacity** — How many schools are there; what spaces do they have? CFAC factors in unique uses such as special education, band, music, gyms, cafeterias and libraries.
- **Enrollment and capacity** — How many kids are coming, how fast, from what areas? The district uses professional demographers, its own staff and OSPI enrollment projections in combination to make this determination.
- **Potential program changes** — State funding of full day kindergarten and money for smaller K - 3 class sizes is good news. That welcome funding drives a need.
- **District curriculum and technology plan** — the CFAC reviews what educational technology will be needed in the future.
- **Property** — What other land does the district own, where is it, and what is its potential future use?

- **School seismic conditions** — How well might each school withstand an earthquake?
- **Roofing, flooring and finis** — What is needed to maintain a school's useful life, safety standards and serve educational and community needs?
- **Compliance with federal Adults with Disabilities Act**
- **Athletic facilities and field** — What are their conditions?
- **Reasonable tax rate** — Avoiding dips and spikes for property owners.

This and other data is used to prepare information for public meetings like the one pictured below. Citizens share their thoughts and comments, which are used to develop a bond recommendation to the school board.



Bond history

The projects listed are just some of the major projects funded by recent bonds.

1996 & 2002 BONDS		
FACILITY	FIRST BUILD DATE	WHEN RENOVATED
Eisenhower MS	1971	1971
Evergreen MS	1958	1999
Emerson ES	1957	2006
Cascade HS	1961	2000 - partial
Forest View ES	2007	

2006 BONDS		
FACILITY	FIRST BUILD DATE	WHEN RENOVATED
Garfield ES	1946	1969 & 2009
Jefferson ES	1964	2011
Monroe ES	1969	2012
Silver Lake ES	1959	2009
View Ridge ES	2054	2013
Whittier ES	2049	2011
Everett HS theater	1924	2009
Everett HS gym	1969	underway



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SCHOOL AWARDS

Everett Public Schools award-winning schools 2005-2013

YEAR	AWARD	SCHOOL
2005	Title I Improvement Award	Hawthorne Elementary
2005	Title I Improvement Award	Lowell Elementary
2005	Title I Improvement Award	Madison Elementary
2006	Title I Improvement Award	Emerson Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Emerson Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Garfield Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Jackson Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Lowell Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Madison Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Silver Lake Elementary
2007	Title I Improvement Award	Whittier Elementary
2008	Title I Improvement Award	Emerson Elementary
2008	School of Distinction	Evergreen Middle
2008	School of Distinction	Gateway Middle
2008	School of Distinction	Heatherwood Middle
2008	Title I Improvement Award	Jackson Elementary
2008	Title I Improvement Award	Whittier Elementary
2009	Washington Achievement Award	Cedar Wood Elementary
2009	Great School	Gateway Middle
2009	Washington Achievement Award	Gateway Middle
2009	Title I Improvement Award	Madison Elementary
2009	Washington Achievement Award	Mill Creek Elementary
2009	Washington Achievement Award	Silver Firs Elementary
2009	Title I Improvement Award	Silver Lake Elementary
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Cedar Wood Elementary
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Evergreen Middle
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Garfield Elementary
2010	School of Distinction	Gateway Middle
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Gateway Middle
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Mill Creek Elementary
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Silver Firs Elementary
2010	School of Distinction	Silver Lake Elementary
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Silver Lake Elementary
2010	Washington Achievement Award	Woodside Elementary
2011	School of Distinction	Cedar Wood Elementary
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Cedar Wood Elementary
2011	School of Distinction	Eisenhower Middle
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Eisenhower Middle
2011	College Board Advanced Placement Honor Roll	Everett Public Schools
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Evergreen Middle
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Forest View Elementary
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Garfield Elementary
2011	School of Distinction	Gateway Middle
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Gateway Middle
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Heatherwood Middle
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Henry M. Jackson High
2011	Title I Improvement Award	Jackson Elementary
2011	Title I Improvement Award	Madison Elementary
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Mill Creek Elementary
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Port Gardner
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Silver Firs Elementary
2011	School of Distinction	Silver Lake Elementary
2011	Title I Academic Achievement Award	Silver Lake Elementary
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Silver Lake Elementary
2011	Washington Achievement Award	Woodside Elementary
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Cedar Wood Elementary
2012	School of Distinction	Eisenhower Middle
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Forest View Elementary
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Gateway Middle
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Heatherwood Middle
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Jefferson Elementary
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Mill Creek Elementary
2012	School of Distinction	Silver Lake Elementary
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Silver Lake Elementary
2012	Washington Achievement Award	Woodside Elementary
2013	School of Distinction	North Middle
2013	School of Distinction	Silver Lake Elementary
2013	Title I Continued Academic Progress Award	Silver Lake Elementary

Over time, the names of some awards have changed. Information about each award is available on website of Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (www.k12.wa.us).



North Middle School and Silver Lake Elementary earn state's top honors

This year marks the **fifth year in a row** that students in North Middle School and Silver Lake Elementary have consistently scored higher on reading and math scores than they did the year before.

5 YEARS IN A ROW
2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

“... Improving scores one or two years in a row is an accomplishment,” notes Superintendent Gary Cohn. “Holding and achieving that continuous improvement standard for five years is very difficult. Such a sustained improvement track record means the students, their families, the staff and the school system are in sync with quality instruction, high expectations and high support.”

The achievements of North and Silver Lake place them in the **top five percent of all schools** in the state of Washington based upon math and reading improvements. Only 99 state schools earned the title School of Distinction; 55 are elementary schools; 24 are middle schools, and 23 are high schools.



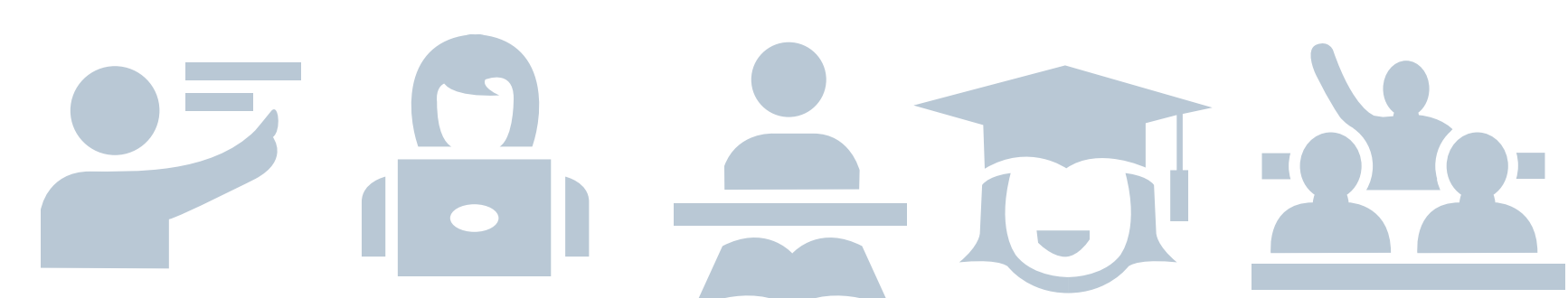
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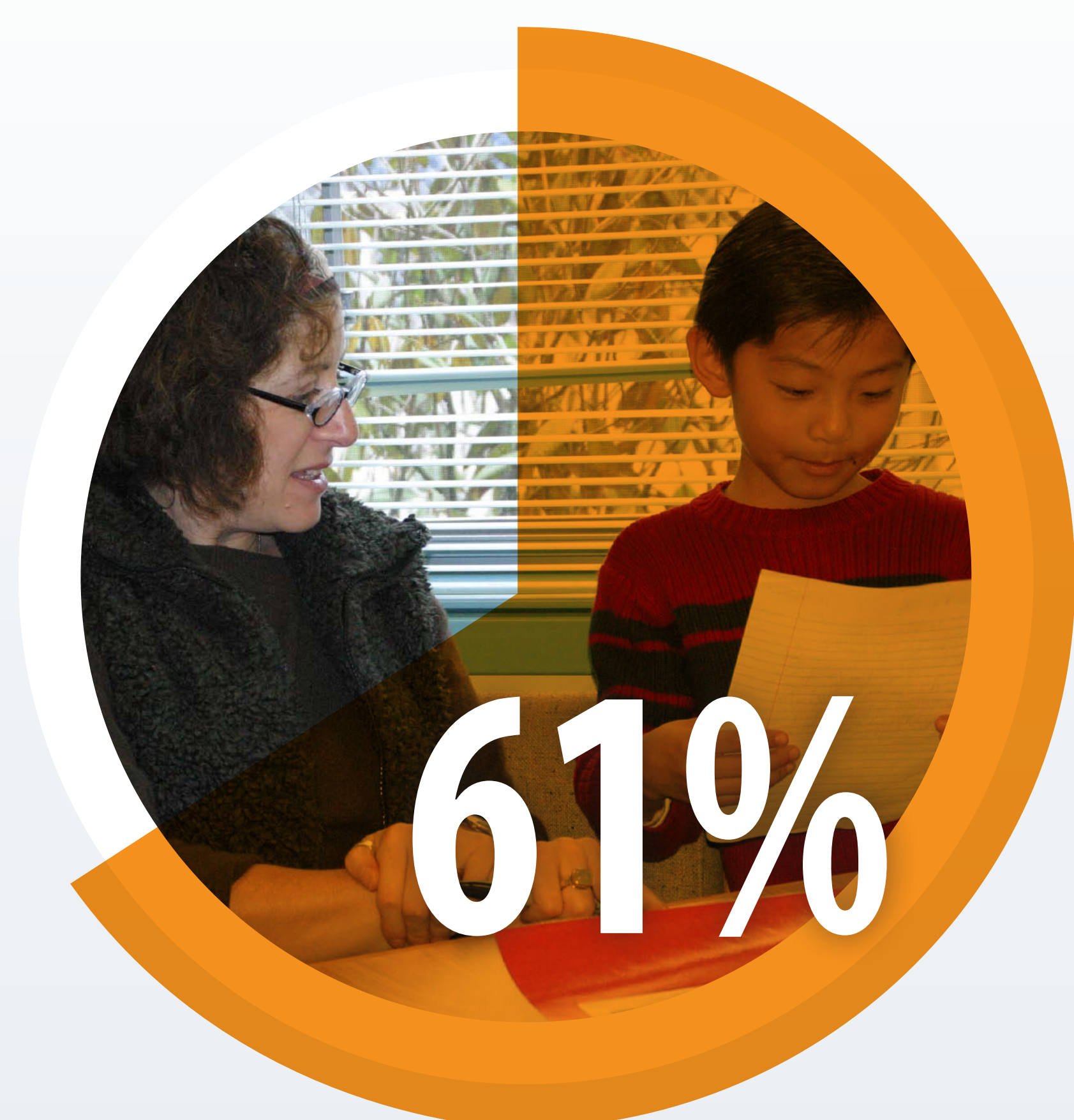
39 SQUARE MILES

Everett Public Schools is a long district, spanning as far north as Steamboat Slough south of Marysville to nearly 196th St. SW in Lynnwood.

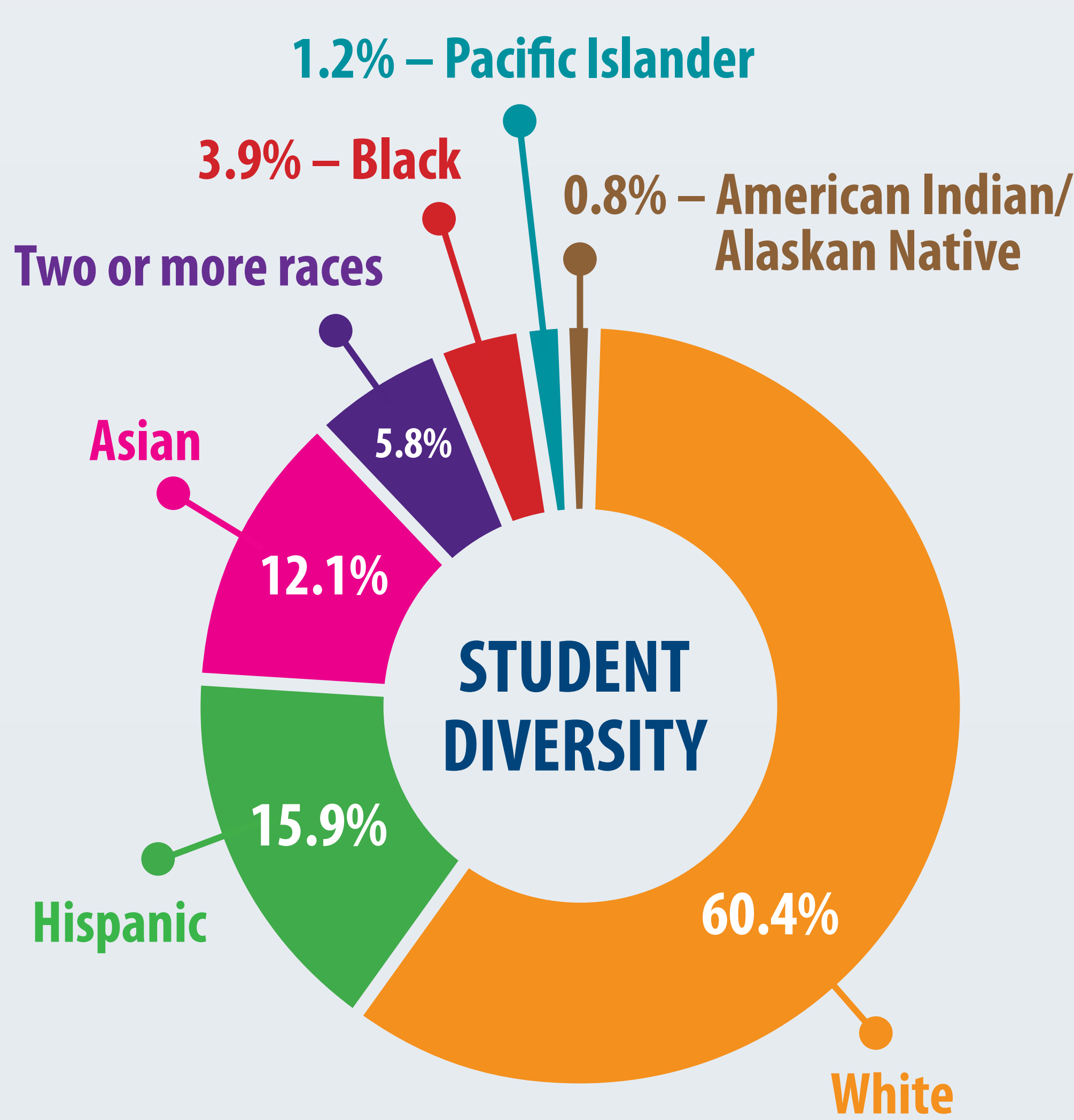
18,931 STUDENTS



Our student population makes Everett Public Schools the tenth largest school district in Washington state based on the number of families and children living in our district (according to 2010 census data).



61% of district teachers have a master's degree or above.

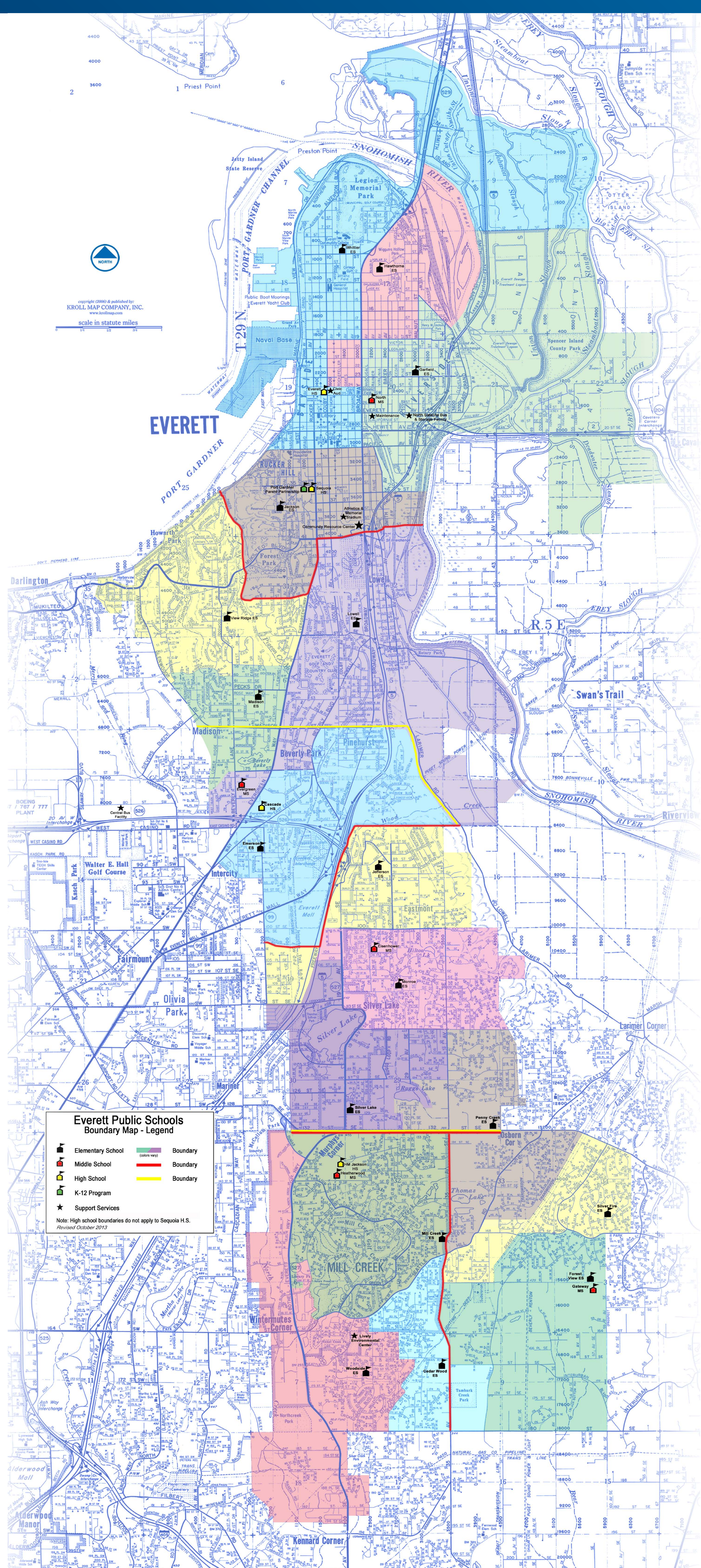


Over 70 languages are spoken by students in Everett Public Schools with more being added every year. Schools celebrate and embrace diversity in our district.



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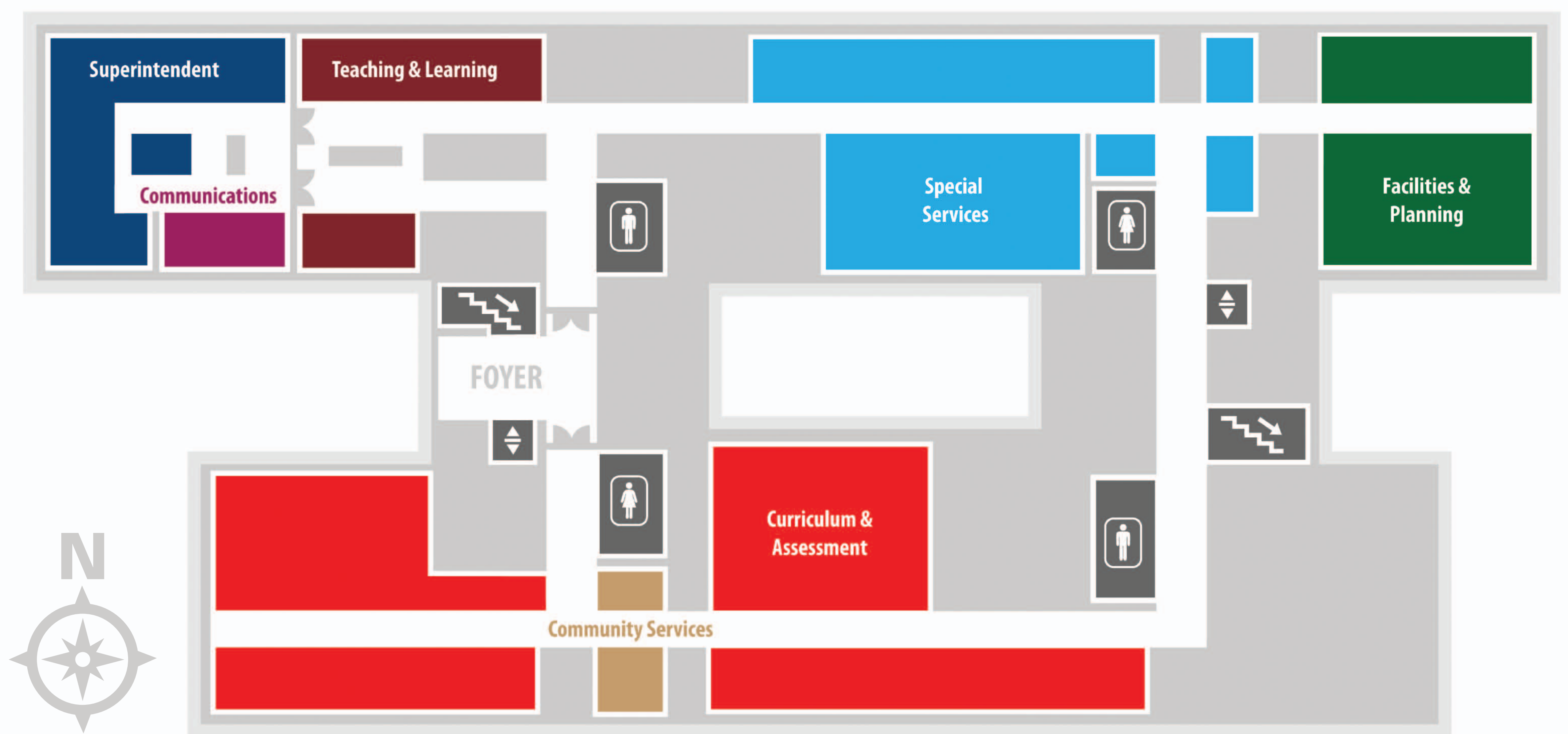
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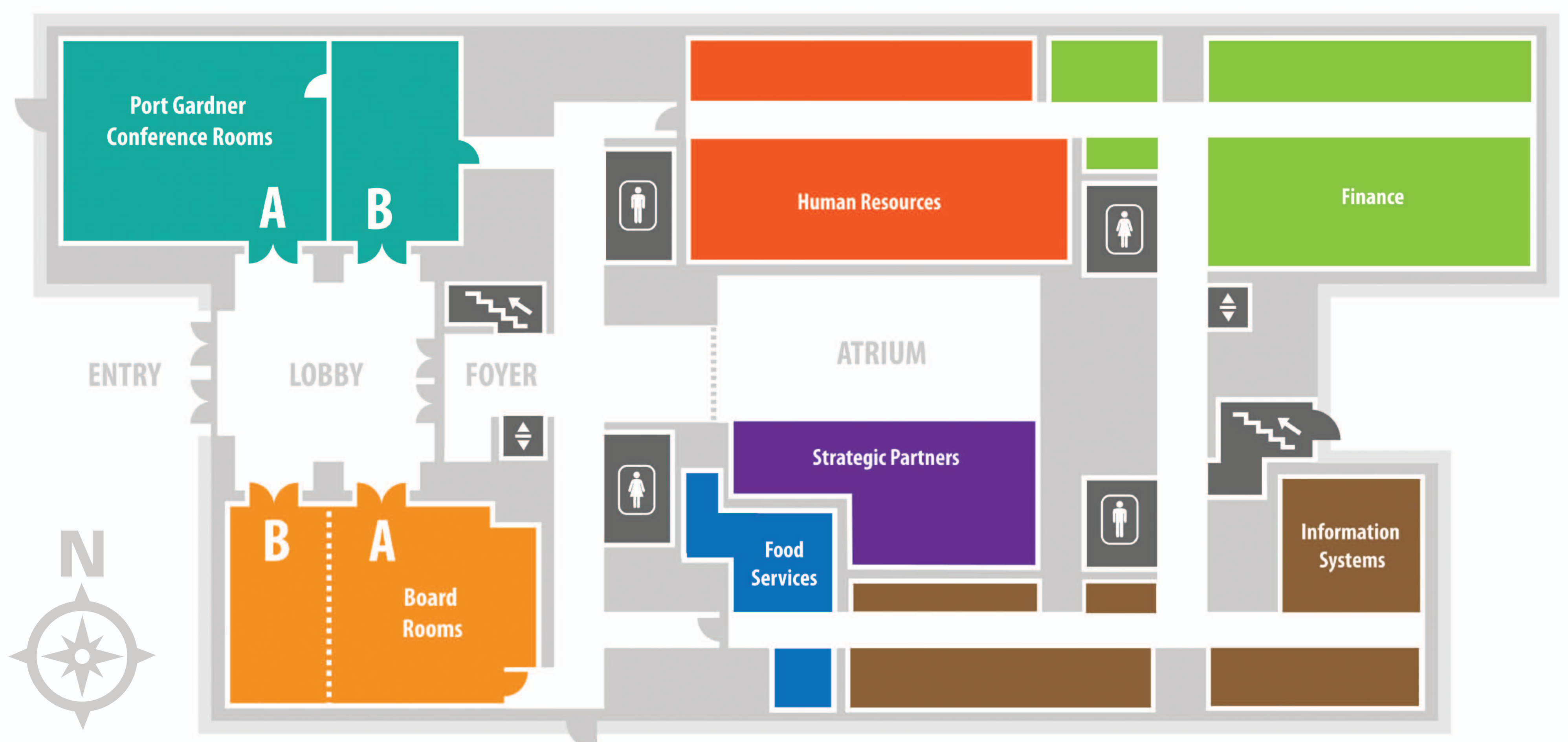
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FLOOR 1



Use This Facility

Interested in renting one of our large conference rooms for your event? Please contact Community Services at 425-385-4045. Instructions and forms are online at www.everettsd.org.

Hours

MONDAY – FRIDAY
7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Summer and holiday hours may vary, please visit www.everettsd.org for current hours.

Our Strategic Partners

Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) Council, Opportunity Council and Everett Public Schools Foundation are the first strategic partners. Each has an office space in the CRC, and there is room for other partners to share the space and support the district's mission.



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