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A newsletter for the staff of Everett Public Schools

May 9, 2014 (NewsLinks are [archived on DocuShare](#))

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LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

As of today, Wednesday, June 18 is the scheduled last day of school.

WELCOME DEBBIE KOVACS, NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Debbie comes to Everett Public Schools from the North Thurston School District, where she has served since 1990, most recently as the executive director of human resources. Debbie earned degrees from South Puget Sound Community College and Southern Illinois University, and is pursuing graduate studies at The Evergreen State College. She believes that humor and fun play an important role in developing relationships and a sense of teamwork, which means she's a wonderful addition to the superintendent's cabinet.

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RETIREMENT RECEPTION – Some staff are about to *really* start enjoying the fruits of their labor ...

Please join us in celebrating the work and the future adventures of this year's retiring staff on May 29.

Click on the photo for the reception invitation.

***WE'RE PROUD* – tell the world about your educational milestones**

Everett Public Schools will salute staff and their family members celebrating educational milestones this year. *We're Proud* will be published in the last issue of NewsLinks in June. To recognize someone, please complete the [brief survey](#) by **Friday, May 30**.

READERSHIP SURVEY – your chance to comment on district communications

Just [9 quick questions](#) to let us know what you want to hear about and how you'd like to hear it. Your answers help us improve our communication strategies - how we get information to you. The survey will be **open until Friday, May 30**. Thank you for your time and your thoughts.

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NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT

Like knowing what's happening in the district? The [Everett Public Schools Facebook](#) page is a great way to read [Points of Pride](#), [news releases](#), and learn about [events](#) (see photos as they happen). If you have a Facebook account, please **like** our page so you can stay in the loop!

05.09.2014 [Casino Road Futbol Academy kicks off](#)
05.08.2014 [Forest View Elementary students to steep in science](#)
05.07.2014 [Advanced Placement economics class 'taking it to the streets'](#)
05.06.2014 [Everett grad Levin named Player of the Year](#)
05.05.2014 [Cascade High School junior wins state art award](#)
05.01.2014 [Pride from Everett to Boston via marathon finishers](#)
04.30.2014 [New teacher Dandridge recognized by National Science Teachers Association](#)
04.30.2014 [Project Green team from Henry M. Jackson High are national finalists](#)
04.30.2014 [Henry M. Jackson High School science research students earn multiple awards](#)
04.30.2014 [Henry M. Jackson High Project Green members are national finalists](#)
04.25.2014 [Great moves earn fifth-graders points and fitness in Gear Up & Go! School Matchups](#)
04.24.2014 [Henry M. Jackson High School teacher selected to explore Greater China](#)
04.21.2014 [Coin drive challenge brings in almost \\$7k for Oso mudslide victims](#)
04.21.2014 [Third-grader and Emerson Elementary School save coins for Oso](#)
04.21.2014 [Students go above and beyond with 100 Days of Caring](#)
04.18.2014 [Five schools earn achievement awards](#)
04.18.2014 [Eisenhower writers are state semifinalists](#)
04.18.2014 [Woodside dances their way through culture](#)
04.15.2014 [District saves \\$3.2 million for taxpayers](#)

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

1. [Technology Alliance Launches Youth Apps Challenge](#) – May 16 deadline!

New contest aims to engage students across the state and spark interest in computer science. It is open to all Washington state middle and high school

students. Teams of up to five students are eligible to participate. Finalists will be invited to present their apps at a showcase event in either eastern or western Washington. Prizes for the winning students include tablets, t-shirts and visits to local technology companies.

2. **[Grant writing training in Burien | May 19-20](#)**

The Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission and Grant Writing USA will present a two-day grants workshop in Burien on May 19-20, 2014. This training is for grant seekers across all disciplines. You'll learn how to find grants and write winning grant proposals. Beginning and experienced grant writers from city, county and state agencies as well as nonprofits, K-12, colleges and universities are encouraged to attend.

3. **[500 slots open for soccer players between 7 and 14 years old](#)**

[Casino Road Futbol Academy](#) begins its sixth year with [applications available online](#)

"We have room for the first 500 students from Everett Public Schools and Mukilteo School District," announced Officer Aaron Snell, Community Information Officer for the Everett Police Department on Thursday. The academy runs June 23 to June 27 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. daily at Walter E. Hall Park (1126 W. Casino Rd) in south Everett and is limited to the first 500 applicants, ages seven to 14. Registration is \$20 per participant which includes breakfast and lunch for the week, a jersey and a soccer ball.

4. **[Change the Game with Macklemore and the Mariners | Deadline is June 2](#)**

Macklemore, Felix Hernandez and the Mariners have joined together to help change the game and put an end to bullying. *Change the Game* is an anti-bullying campaign where classes can enter.

5. **[Kids' Bike Swap | June 8](#)**

Exchange your kid's old bike for a refurbished and larger bike. Get a free helmet with each bike. Bike donations accepted too!

6. **[Community Health Improvement Plan offers pathways to prevent suicide, obesity and youth abuse in Snohomish County](#)**

Suicide, youth abuse and obesity are the top three health risks in Snohomish County. The short list is based on careful consideration of health data by the Snohomish Health District's Public Health Advisory Council. The results of the council's research were published in 2013's [The Health of Snohomish County](#) "report card." Find more information about the Health Board and the [Health District online](#). Full report and background are [also online](#).

7. **[Education Connection | Summer edition available online](#)**

The spring/summer edition of the *Education Connection* is now available on the [NWESD website](#). Browse the catalog online or print a PDF.

In this issue

- Notes from NWESD Superintendent Dr. Jerry Jenkins
- Teacher of the Year profile
- Principal of the Year
- Regional Classified Employee of the Year
- 57 NWESD schools awarded Achievement Awards
- 17 summer workshops

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OPPORTUNITIES IN BRIEF – highlights from past issues

1. [STEM fair](#) | **May 29, 6 to 8 p.m. at Henry M. Jackson High School**

Join the Elementary/Middle School Research, Experiment, and Engineering Competition and a showcase celebrating students' STEM learning. This is the second annual STEM fair and it's gaining momentum!

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](#).

Recent revisions include:

- [3205P, Harassment](#)
- [3210P, Nondiscrimination](#)
- [5010P, Affirmative Action and Nondiscrimination](#)

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