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*Our students will lead and shape the future.*

**A newsletter for the staff of Everett Public Schools**

May 11, 2015 (NewsLinks are [archived on DocuShare](#))

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## GOOD NEWS for high school juniors about SBA benefits

### College remedial classes? Maybe not!

High school juniors can eliminate the need for college remedial classes by earning a 3 or a 4 on the on the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) this spring.

A score of 3 or 4 in your junior year makes you eligible in college to move directly into credit-bearing college-level classes (at the 100 level and above) when you enroll at any of the state's 34 community and technical colleges, any of the public baccalaureate institutions and nine independent colleges after graduation NEXT year.

Just provide your Washington college or technical school a copy of your SBA scores once you are admitted.

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## FISHBOWL CONVERSATIONS

The school board is hosting its last of this series of community engagement activities on May 19. The topics are school facilities and technology. Click on the link below to register.

[May 19](#), 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Everett High School cafeteria

## **RETIREMENT RECEPTION – Some staff are about to *begin* a new adventure ...**

Please join us on May 28 in celebrating the work and the future journeys of this year's retiring staff.

Community Resource Center  
4 p.m., program at 4:30 p.m.

Click on the artwork for the reception flyer.

## ***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 29**.

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## **STEM EXPO REMINDER – Monday, June 8 at Xfinity Conference Center**

Keynote speaker is [Hadi Partovi](#), co-founder of [Code.org](#). Like last year's STEM fair, this year's STEM Expo will feature an elementary and middle school competition.

The STEM Expo will showcase the progression of PreK-12 STEM learning in Everett Public Schools and spotlight STEM careers. Come experience interactive exhibits and presentations by students and members of the STEM community.

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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!

2015.05.04 [Monroe Elementary student's art showcased](#)

2015.04.28 [Jackson High art student wins congressional honor](#)

2015.04.24 [High school music and choir programs nationally recognized](#)

2015.04.16 [Longfellow building future pending](#)

2015.04.16 [Rockin' Curiosity at Woodside and Hawthorne](#)

2015.04.13 [School board continues community conversations – this time as Fishbowls on April 28, May 5 and May 19](#)

2015.04.13 [17th annual Everett Public Schools student art shows](#)

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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

1. **17th annual middle school art show** at CRC through May 15  
Everett Public Schools and Everett Public Schools Foundation welcomes you to view all the wonderful artwork our students have created. The 17th annual middle school art show reception and awards ceremony will be on May 11 at 6 p.m. at Community Resource Center.
2. **Go, Girl, Go!** | Washington State Convention Center | Saturday, May 30  
Do you know a girl who is curious about the world of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM/STEAM)? Come to Go, Girl Go!, an all-female Q&A panel sponsored by *FIRST*, Washington *FIRST* Robotics, IEEE, and ICRA. This is your chance to speak and network with local and international female STEM and STEAM professionals and learn more about the world of science and technology! *You can stay all day or just a portion. Lots of fun activities for girls to spark their curiosity and imagination in the world of science, technology, engineering, the arts and math.* **Free** for all girls between the ages of 6-18 | [Click to register](#)
3. **Microsoft Office Specialist State Championship**  
Washington students will get a chance to show off their Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint at a statewide championship. Read [OSPI news release](#)
4. **Apply now to be a part of the [Colors of Freedom Fourth of July parade](#)**  
The City of Everett is currently seeking imaginative entries to help celebrate Independence Day at the annual Colors of Freedom Fourth of July parade. Applications are due by Friday, June 12, and selected participants will be notified by June 19.
5. **[Host an Exchange Student this Summer](#)** | July 28-August 18  
CCI Greenheart is currently seeking volunteer host families in Snohomish and surrounding neighborhoods.
6. **[Break Into Code competition](#) – students ages 9-18**  
Microsoft Imagine introduces the *Break Into Code* challenge as a beginner level challenge to excite students about coding even if they don't have any previous experience. Microsoft Research's [TouchDevelop](#) helps get students of all ages started with a simple, easy to follow tutorial on coding a brick breaker game. They can use any device with a browser and internet connection to participate.
7. **First annual Washington State middle school computer science competition**  
[Computing for All](#) is organizing a computer science competition for students in

fifth through eighth grades. The competition tests skills in computer programming, basic problem solving, and general computer science knowledge.

**8. STEM guitar building workshop | July 20 - 24**

The National Resource Center for Materials Technology Education at Edmonds Community College announces this summer's [STEM Guitar Building Workshop](#). Registration fee has been reduced.

**9. LET'S STAND UP TO BULLIES TOGETHER CONTEST | Deadline October 1**

Join Allstate Sign and help bring awareness to this issue by having your students design a new anti-bullying sign for schools. The winning entry will win a \$2,000 grant for their school.

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**OPPORTUNITIES IN BRIEF – highlights from past issues**

**1. Graduation dates**

**June 10, Everett Civic Auditorium**  
Sequoia High at 6 p.m.

**June 13, Xfinity Arena**  
Cascade High at noon  
Jackson High at 4 p.m.  
Everett High at 8 p.m.

**2. Nominate Washington's Best Teacher | Deadline May 19**

Do you know an inspirational teacher? Ivars encourages any K-8 students, 14 years or younger, to nominate a favorite teacher by filling out an entry form at any Puget Sound-area Ivar's or Kidd Valley restaurant (excluding stadium locations). Nominations are also accepted online at [Ivars.com/teacher](http://Ivars.com/teacher) or [KiddValley.com/calendar](http://KiddValley.com/calendar). Nominations accepted through May 19, 2015. Winners announced around May 26.

**3. Summer professional development opportunity at EMP Museum for grades 5-12 educators | June 29–July 3**

STEM + Arts = STEAM! [Arts-Based Inquiry, Engagement, and Discovery: New Spins on Project-Based Learning for the STEM Classroom](#)

**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](#).**

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