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A newsletter for the staff of Everett Public Schools

June 4, 2015 (NewsLinks are [archived on DocuShare](#))

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## **WE'RE PROUD** – your educational milestones

See which staff members are celebrating educational milestones for themselves or in their family this year.

## **RETIREMENT RECEPTION** – Some staff are *beginning* a new adventure ...



The retirement celebration May 28 honored the work and the future journeys of the over 60 retiring staff members retiring this year. Watch a [photo slideshow](#) to see who is retiring.

Couldn't make it to the ceremony? See the [photo gallery](#) of those who attended the celebration.

## **ONE MORE DAY** to share your thoughts

[Share your confidential comments](#) about district communications by Friday, June 5.

Your anonymous answers and comments will help the communications department better understand what you want to know about the district and how best to get that information to you.

## **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.

### **STUFF THE BUS FOR KIDS – Volunteers needed!**



Last year, the Foundation helped collect enough school supplies to fill over 1,500 backpacks for Everett Public Schools students and they are back at it for next year's students.

Watch for blue collection bins inside businesses around the district starting in August for school supplies. Durham buses will be parked outside select businesses Aug. 14-16 accepting school supplies and cash donations. [Details](#)

[are on the flyer.](#)

### **Want to be a part of the fun?**

The Foundation needs help accepting donations at the bus sites and stuffing the many backpacks. Sign up for a [two-hour shift online](#).

### **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!

- 2015.06.02 [Everett Public School's 2015 superintendent's scholar winners](#)
- 2015.06.02 [Whittier Elementary fourth-grader state finalist in pageant](#)
- 2015.05.25 [Five schools are 2014 Washington Schools of Achievement](#)
- 2015.05.21 [Emerson second graders impress the Seahawks!](#)
- 2015.05.21 [Henry M. Jackson High School freshman sparks interest in world of science](#)
- 2015.05.21 [Madison Elementary to benefit from Farmers Insurance \\$2,500](#)
- 2015.05.20 [New AP World Language and AP English materials open house](#)
- 2015.05.20 [District honors National Board Certified Teachers](#)
- 2015.05.19 [Everett PTSA Council 7.3 Reflections art contest winners place at State and National PTA](#)
- 2015.05.18 [Jackson High ninth-grader is best of the best at science fair \*Super Bowl\*](#)
- 2015.05.18 [Free lunches at three locations May 22](#)
- 2015.05.18 [Everett Public Schools receives two College Spark Washington Community Grants](#)
- 2015.05.15 [District Athletic Director earns state and national awards](#)
- 2015.05.15 [YMCA makes best proposal for Colby property](#)
- 2015.05.15 [Why May 22 chosen for teacher walkout](#)
- 2015.05.15 [School canceled Friday, May 22; make-up day scheduled for June 17](#)
- 2015.05.08 [New science materials under consideration for high school classes](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

### 1. Build your tech tool kit this summer

Take advantage of the technology professional development opportunities offered throughout the summer. The offerings include all types of systems tools; those used within the classroom and for operational work. A [flyer of classes](#) is available online. See [class offerings](#).

**Interested in doing some independent study?** Check out [Atomic Learning](#). This easy-to-use tutorial environment offers both office and teacher options for learning how to do something simple – or taking a full course of study. Simply use your network log in and explore – there is even a “how to use Atomic Learning” on the homepage of the product.

2. **PUD teacher workshop**, *Solar Energy in Systems* Aug. 12, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Learn how to bring the sun's energy into your classroom. Participants will learn about how the sun's energy can be used for heating and generating electricity with a variety of hands-on experiments. Each teacher will receive a small solar panel that runs a motor and a solar guidebook which includes student project ideas. Teachers will also have the opportunity to apply for a PUD mini-grant to win additional solar supplies for their classroom. Six clock-hours are available for \$20.

Recommended for teachers of grades 4-8, however all educators are welcome to attend. [Click here](#) to register for this workshop.

### 3. [Legislative Scholar program](#) | July 13-17

Apply for a five-day interactive experience for elementary, middle and high school social studies, government, history, and civics teachers. Teachers can receive up to 35 clock hours through ESD 113. Applications due June 26, 2015. Attendance limited to 25. [Apply online here](#).

## 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. 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.

### 3. [Host an Exchange Student this Summer](#) | July 28-Aug. 18

CCI Greenheart is currently seeking volunteer host families in Snohomish and surrounding neighborhoods.

4. **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.

5. **[Let's Stand Up to Bullies Together contest](#)** | Deadline Oct. 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.

**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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