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...NewsLinks

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Our students will lead and shape the future.

A newsletter for the staff of Everett Public Schools

May 4, 2017 (NewsLinks are archived on Docushare)

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WE'RE PROUD – share educational milestones

We salute staff and their family members celebrating educational milestones each year. We're Proud is published in the June NewsLinks. To recognize someone, please answer these <u>brief questions</u> by Friday, May 19. (Take a peek at the 2015-16 of <u>We're Proud</u>.)

HOW ARE WE DOING? – #EPS AlwaysLearning

Please take a moment to answer <u>9 quick questions</u> 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 26**. Thank you for your time and your thoughts.

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DISTRICT RETIREMENT CELEBRATION IS MAY 25

Some staff are flying off to new adventures! On May 25, we celebrate the work and future journeys of this year's retiring staff.

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

Come celebrate these folks and send them off with best wishes!

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TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

In honor of Teacher Appreciation Week, <u>watch a brief video</u> of just some of the amazing teachers in the district. Maybe you will see yourself or someone you know!

Hats off to **all** our amazing school staff! Thank you for what you do and the difference you make – whether in the classroom or supporting classroom magic.

INNOVATION EXPO JUNE 8, 5-8 p.m., at Xfinity Arena

STEM competition judges needed!

Judges should arrive at 4 p.m. for a brief training and then review student projects from 5-6 p.m. Judges will use rubrics provided in the STEM Competition Handbook.

Your feedback and observations about students' projects are critical to students' learning and continuous improvement.

If you would like to volunteer to be a judge, please sign up here by May 15.

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AQUASOX FAMILY NIGHT JULY 20

Everett AquaSox celebrates Everett Public Schools with a great deal for ALL employees and their families. Game starts at 7:05 p.m. and Thursday nights feature a \$2.50 special on hot dogs, popcorn, and drinks. The AquaSox are offering us a special rate on Upper Box Seats for only \$6 each (this price beats the general group rate of \$10 per ticket and the game day price of \$13). More details to come on ordering tickets, so mark your calendar for now!

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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 news releases and other district and school highlights. **Like** us on Facebook and **follow** us on Twitter and Instagram. Want eflyers of student and family opportunities? Go to Peachjar and register for a free account to have eflyers emailed directly to you!

2017.05.02 Winners announced at 19th annual high school art show

2017.05.01 Chinese and Sports Med curriculum materials on view

2017.04.26 Board of Education welcomes new student member Joseph Hofman

2017.04.26 Everett Rotary honors three as Students of the Month

2017.04.20 Cascade seniors appeared before a judge ...

2017.04.18 Community comes together for Early Learning Symposium

2017.04.17 Six schools earn Washington Achievement Awards

2017.04.17 Cascade students culminate unit with Bitter and Sweet experience

2017.04.17 Brien Elliott is Wrestling Coach of the Year

2017.04.14 <u>Jack In The Bots heading to Houston for world championship</u>

2017.04.07 'The Old, The Bold, The Mold!'

2017.04.07 <u>Student technology teams place at state competition, some heading to Nationals!</u>

Do you have news to share? – It's easy; use this <u>simple form</u>.

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OPPORTUNITIES – for students and staff

1. Tools for Success workshops

Maximize your potential with this workshop series sponsored by Edmonds Community College and Housing Hope. Class topics include dealing with change, creating habits of success, managing fear, time management, goal setting, conflict management and workplace strategies. Tuition paid by grants, so no fee for you. Contact Penny Robins, 425-640-1451 with questions or to reserve your seat.

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OPPORTUNITIES IN REVIEW – still current opportunities from past issues

1. Ivar's and Kidd Valley's Teacher of the Year Contest

Ivar's and Kidd Valley restaurants are looking some of Washington's most inspiring teachers in their 14th annual Teacher of the Year Contest.

Any K–8 student, 14 years or younger, are encouraged to nominate his or her favorite teacher by filling out an official entry form at any Puget Sound-area Ivar's or Kidd Valley restaurant (excluding airport and stadium locations). Nominations are also accepted online at Ivars.com/teacher or kiddvalley.com/promos-events.

Nominations are due May 19. Winners will be announced by early June.

The two teachers chosen as Ivar's and Kidd Valley's 2017 Teacher of the Year will each receive a \$500 gift card for classroom supplies and a commemorative plaque. The students who nominate the two grand prize winning teachers will be rewarded with an Ivar's Kids Meal and a visit by Ivar's famous Dancing Clam or Kidd Valley Kids Meal for their entire class (with school permission, of course)!

2. <u>Digivations Camp Demigod Institute</u>

Campers and faculty from throughout North America are fully immersed in a STEM+ARTS+MOVEMENT curriculum where like-minded children ages 9-17 learn to innovate through science, technology, art, creative writing, theatre, sword fighting, martial arts, quests in the mountains, rivers and the town of Leavenworth, Wash. Additionally, they recruit high school students to work at camp as counselors. They offer community service credit with room, board and partial tuition. Older and experienced counselors also may earn a small stipend.

3. Mukilteo Way Garden Club's Annual \$1,000 Horticulture Scholarship

The scholarship pays for horticulture classes at Edmonds Community College during the 2017-18 academic year. Those eligible to apply include anyone interested in horticulture, landscaping, landscape design, whether seeking a career change, degree or not. Current EdCC students, graduating high school seniors and 'adult learners' are all eligible. Applications and details are available at www.mwgc.org. Completed applications must be **postmarked by May 31** and sent to Mukilteo Way Garden Club, PO Box 1361, Mukilteo, WA 98275. Email questions to info@mwgc.org.

4. "Overcoming obstacles" guest speaker opportunity

Henry M. Jackson alumnus <u>Alex Carlson-Helo</u> is the current Miss Washington USA. Alex had to learn how to walk again due to rheumatoid arthritis, which has been a long, painful and humbling journey. Nonetheless, she is passionate about sharing her story with students: How to overcome obstacles when life throws you a curve ball.

Interested in having Alex speak at any of your classes or assemblies? Please contact Maureen Francisco at 253-709-3650 (cell) or 425-202-7578 (office).

5. The 9 Essential Skills for the Love and Logic Classroom®

Are you searching for a fun way to earn seven clock hours while learning to relate to tough kids? Are you seeking tried and true techniques that reduce the time and energy you spend maintaining discipline in the classroom? Have you been hoping to find ideas and strategies that put some fun back into teaching?

If you answered yes to any of these questions then <u>register</u> for this class. This educator training offers practical student management skills that can be used right away.

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KEY DATES - important dates, observances and holidays

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – All policies and procedures are <u>available online</u>.

Nondiscrimination statement

The district shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, veteran or military status, the presence of any physical, sensory or mental disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a student with a disability.

Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:
Affirmative Action Office – Carol Stolz, <u>cstolz@everettsd.org</u>, 425-385-4106;
Title IX Officer – Randi Seaberg, <u>rseaberg@everettsd.org</u>, 425-385-4104;
504 Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, <u>rballbach@everettsd.org</u>, 425-385-4063;
ADA Coordinator – Becky Clifford, <u>rclifford@everettsd.org</u>, 425-385-5250;
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