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Our students will lead and shape the future.

A newsletter for the staff of Everett Public Schools

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PRINCIPAL APPRECIATION MONTH!



October is Principal Appreciation Month!

Join us in celebrating our amazing, kind, hardworking, supportive and all-around stellar school principals and assistant principals! This year, more than ever, we are grateful for their leadership, support and passion for student learning.

"I want to acknowledge the dedication and leadership of our principals," shared Dr. Saltzman. "Every day they step up to the challenges of supporting students and staff so all may succeed to the best of their ability. I am so proud of you all, truly amazing people."

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Let's Connect | Belonging & inclusiveness

Our next community Let's Connect webinar will be on October 18 from 5-6 p.m. Each region will host their own session and discuss belonging and inclusiveness in our schools. [Please click to get specific Zoom link for your region.](#)

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Let's Connect | New School Year Launch webinar results

The feedback from the September 20 Let's Connect webinar have been compiled and posted on our [community engagement](#) web page. [Click for the results](#), sharing common themes and action items

Thank you for your participation.

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Quarantine update

The Snohomish Health District has allowed modification of 14-day quarantine for unvaccinated K-12 school staff and students identified as close contacts. We are moving to 10 days from exposure if they do not have symptoms.

Learn more at www.everettsd.org/COVID.

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High School & Beyond

The High School & Beyond event will again be completely virtual this year. Currently being finalized, the event is expected to be held in November. More details will come as we get closer to November.

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Social media directory

Follow our social media sites including school pages, district pages, teachers, clubs, and student groups. Stay connected to learn all the latest news!

Not sure your school has social media? Visit our [social media directory](#) for a list of accounts. If you have a district social media account, but do not see it in our directory please contact communications@everettsd.org so we can get you covered in ArchiveSocial, our online service that

archives all district social media posts.

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National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day!

October 2 was National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day! We want to give a huge shout-out to our team of employees who keep our schools and workplaces running smoothly. They often are stars behind the scenes, but we know how hard they work. They are all rock stars!

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National School Lunch Week

shines the spotlight on the programs and nutritious food served up every day throughout the school year.

We have the best Food & Nutrition Services team who constantly work together trying different recipes to make sure kids eat the foods they love and get the nutrition they need.

Thank you to all the folks who make, bake and create yummy food for students and staff as we celebrate you the week of October 11-12.

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National School Bus Safety Week

October 18-22 is an active and evolving bus safety public education program and an excellent way for parents, students, teachers, motorists, school bus operators, school administrators, and other interested parties - to join forces and address the importance of school bus safety.

Want to know when you should stop for a school bus?

[Click for easy-to-read graphic](#) with different scenarios of when to stop. Thank you, bus drivers and all our incredible staff, for helping keep our students safe!

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NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT

Like knowing what's happening in the district? Click icons for more!



Want eflyers of student and family opportunities?



Go to Peachjar and register for a free account to have eflyers emailed directly to you!

Do you have news to share? We'd love to share your school stories! – It's easy; use this [simple form](#).

- [2021.10.01 Jackson and Everett students named National Merit semifinalists](#)

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OPPORTUNITIES – for staff and students

Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety

Washington Family Engagement is again inviting the community to watch the documentary, “Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety” and joining an informative live panel discussion with local mental health professionals.

Tuesday, October 12, 7-8:45 p.m. [This is an online event, click to register](#) and get more information.

Español: Este documentario va a tener subtítulos en español y va a haber un intérprete para miembros de la audiencia que quieran hacer preguntas en español.

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Parenting through COVID-19 with UW Psychologists

Forefront Suicide Prevention Presents: Parenting through COVID-19 with UW Psychologists Jim & Lizz Mazza on **Nov. 4 from 7-8 p.m.** The new normal for parents/caregivers across the country involves working from home, taking on new responsibilities for educating their children, isolation, big questions and significant world events. Join this dynamic duo of psychologists for an up close and in-person virtual Q & A as they discuss their top social-emotional education strategies for raising teens during these challenging times. [Click for registration link](#). Reserve your seat now!

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The way to staff well-being in schools’ webinars 2021-22

Kaiser Permanente presents their foundational course, [The Way to Staff Well-being in Schools](#) workshop series, exploring resources and tips to strengthen staff well-being at the individual, collective and policy level. *Healthy staff and teachers are our most valuable resource for creating safe and supportive learning environments.* Their next course, Creating a Culture of Well-being, will be offered bi-monthly (repeat): **3:30-5 p.m., next session Nov. 10.** They are also introducing their Dive Series to support self-care presented by Kaiser Permanente subject matter experts. **Next session is Oct. 13 from 4-5 p.m.** [Click for more information and additional session dates.](#)

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Thinking about retirement?

Washington State Department of Retirement is sponsoring two retirement zoom sessions for all prospective retirees in the state. Because of continued COVID restrictions, they are once again scheduling Zoom webinars to cover a variety of topics related to retirement. Learn about Plans 2 and 3, medical and dental options, sick leave buyout (VEBA), Social Security and Medicare.

October 28 and November 4 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. To register, email Tara@wssra.org or call 360-413-5496, ext. 111.

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Pilchuck Audubon Society classroom grants for ES teachers

The goal of this program is to encourage elementary school students to learn about and develop a desire to conserve and protect our natural resources. This will be achieved by providing funds to Snohomish County elementary classroom teachers to be used to supplement their existing curriculum. Applications for the awards must be **submitted by November 1.** All applicants will be notified by December 1. [Click for more information.](#)

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PTA's Reflections art contest entries due Nov. 1

This year's PTA Reflections theme is "I Will Change the World by..." Entries for the Reflections' theme search contest are **due November 1**. Contact your school PTA/PTSA for more information.

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Key dates and celebrations

[Important dates, observances and holidays.](#)

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Policies and procedures

All policies and procedures are [available online](#).

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