

Woodside Toucan News

WOODSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

October 2022

Dear Woodside Families,

Fall is my favorite season of the year. I love the crisp, cool mornings that turn into sunny afternoons. I love listening to the squeal and laughter of children as they squeeze out every minute of outdoor play before the weather turns too cold and wet to play outside. I love watching bright red, orange, and yellow leaves as they dance their way gracefully to the ground, crating a lovely carpet of color. But mostly, I love seeing the students fall into their routines of learning to their highest potential at Woodside!

One of the important things we focus on at the beginning of the year are school-wide behavior expectations. All teachers have spent time teaching SOAR expectations for all areas of our school. SOAR is part of our school Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support Program (PBIS). When you are at the school, you will see the SOAR acronym posted throughout the school campus.



S – Stay Safe (Be Safe)

O – Own Your Actions (Be Responsible)

A – Always Be a Leader (Be a Leader)

R – Respect Yourself and Others (Be Respectful)

The safety of your child is always of critical importance to us. We work closely with the school district along with emergency responders, i.e., police, firefighters, sheriff department, etc. to create emergency plans and procedures should we ever need them. During the school year we conduct regular drills to acquaint students with our procedures during an emergency. By practicing often, we will familiarize them with our expectations and help them know what to do and remain calm during any emergency. We will have at least one drill per month. We ask your help in keeping current emergency contact information.

If we have a large disaster and students need to be picked up, we will set up a check out station for you to collect your child. We will check for identification (photo ID) and only sign-out and release students to individuals on your child's emergency release form.

During **fire drills**, a loud bell rings (different from the daily school bells). Students are to evacuate the building by pre-planned routes in a quiet and orderly manner. They walk with their class to the rear playground where we have painted "dots" where their class lines up, attendance is taken, and every

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student and staff member is accounted for. If students are at recess, with the nurse, or in a special class, they know they must go to their class lines and be counted.

Earthquake drills begin with staff and students hearing an announcement over the intercom. Students and staff are to immediately drop, cover and hold on. They remain in this position until the drill finishes, or the real earthquake stops shaking. We evacuate the building and make sure all are safe.

Lockdown drills are done periodically to practice how to secure the building quickly should we have a threat on campus. Woodside has a closed campus every day to the outside. Our inside doors are unlocked, so students can travel to the bathrooms, nurse's office, lunchroom, etc. freely. If there was a real lockdown, Woodside has a **Lockdown Panic Button** we can push that would immediately lock all doors and notify police. Teachers would remain with students, pull the shades, and turn off the lights. Students sit on the floor in an area of the classroom where they are not visible or vulnerable through any windows or doors. The teachers have flashlights and books prepared to keep students occupied during this time. They do not open the door until a special signal is heard over the intercom. Again, as in any drill, support staff searches all areas of the buildings, including bathrooms, and all students and staff are accounted for.

The Everett Public Schools works with a company called Rapid Responder (R.R.). Rapid Responder is an enterprise, Web-based, interactive, and comprehensive crisis management system designed to collect, organize, and securely disseminate critical information needed in an emergency. Each school principal works with R.R. Consultants to provide information about the layout of their school, site hazards, evacuation routes and much, much more. These plans are shared with local and state emergency providers ensuring "rapid response" if needed, we are all working together to guarantee support will come to our school as quickly as possible. I feel confident that the staff at Woodside is prepared for any emergency and will only get better as we continue to solidify our plans. Let's hope we only practice and never have to use these plans.

BE ASSURED THAT WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE. Please do not call the school in the event of a real emergency. Our phones will be needed to reach either parent/guardian or necessary emergency response agencies. Woodside will call all parents/guardians via our Connect ED calling system with the necessary information as soon as we possibly can. Thank you in advance for helping us keep your children safe.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Betty J. Cobbs, Principal Woodside Elementary (425) 385-7800 bcobbs@everettsd.org





STUDENT SAFETY AT WOODSIDE ELEMENTARY

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STUDENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURES

To ensure the safe arrival and dismissal of our students, the following dropoff and pickup procedures have been established. We really need everyone's help to keep the start of every school day safe for students!

SCHOOL HOURS Students may be dropped off no earlier than 8:15am, since we do not have supervisory coverage available until that time. Please do not bring your child to school until that time, unless they are having breakfast at Woodside which begins at 8:05am. Students are **tardy if they arrive after the 8:35am** start time. Dismissal is at 2:50pm, Monday through Thursday and 1:35pm on Friday. Your punctuality is greatly appreciated.

DROP OFF

Parents/guardians are asked to drop off students at the sidewalk only in the designated drop-off/pick-up areas in front of the school. You must drop off your child from the **passenger side of your car** at the sidewalk and then move on immediately to keep traffic flowing. If you need to park and walk to the sidewalk or enter the school in the morning, please **park in a designated parking space**.

PICK UP

Students who walk home from school, or who are picked-up by a parent/guardian are dismissed at the end of the school day. If someone other than a parent/guardian is picking-up your child, please send a note to the school indicating that. Any change in dismissal or early dismissal requires a note with parent/guardian signature. Please remain in the parent waiting area until the teachers have safely walked their students to their pick up spot.

If you pick up children in the afternoon using the drive-up method, you are asked to remain in or at your car in one of the designated drop-off/pick-up areas along the sidewalk and have your child come to your car. Please do not park and leave your car unattended in a drop-off/pick-up area.

WOODSIDE PARKING LOT PROTOCOL

So many children and cars have the potential of becoming a dangerous place with tragic results if **parking lot protocol and civility** are not adhered to. Please be courteous to other drivers and vigilant in watching out for the safety of our students. Always drive slowly in our parking lot, especially thru our "Valet Zone." It is imperative that we follow the rules to ensure the safe and steady flow of traffic in our parking lot. **Parking in a fire or non-permitted handicap zone is against the law.** Please **do not "double park"** as this greatly affects the traffic flow and causes tempers to rise. If at all possible, please have your child



walk to school as this could ease the traffic situation, and make our parking lot a safer place for students and parents.

Following these few simple guidelines should result in safe and efficient transport of students to and from school.

- Enter and exit the parking lot through the designated gates. You may only exit to the right when leaving the Woodside parking lot. Please be patient and polite.
- Park only in designated parking areas on school property. These areas are marked along the north side of the lot as you enter and in the center isles of the lot.
 - There is no parking along the sidewalk in front of the school, along the south exit lane or in the lanes behind cars parked in the center of the lot.
- If you need to park your vehicle and the lot is full, continue onto the street and park. The public sidewalk along the front of the school property is wide and safe for walking. If you want to have your student meet you in front of the school, they will need to walk to your car via the sidewalks. **Under no circumstances should a student be encouraged to cross the street to a waiting car.** If you do park on the other side of the street, have your student walk with other students to one of the intersections with a crossing guard, cross the street with the patrol and walk on the sidewalk to your car.

It is frustrating when you are in a hurry and the traffic is not. Please allow enough time to drop off and pick up your child from school. Parking lot protocol is designed to keep children safe - it's a responsibility we all share.



Please do your part to support our Woodside student expectations:

- **S**tay Safe (Be Safe)
- Own Your Own Actions (Be Responsible)
- Always Be a Leader (Be a Leader)
- Respect Yourself and Others (Be Respectful)



	Calendar of Events				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
OCTOBER	3	4	5	Let's Connect 6:00-7:00 Heatherwood MS – Cafeteria PTA fundraiser kick- off	7 Learning Improvement Friday; 1:35 dismissal PTA fundraiser continues
	10	11	12	13	14
	PTA fundraiser continues	School Picture Day! PTA fundraiser continues	PTA fundraiser continues	PTA fundraiser continues	Teacher workday, no school for students PTA fundraiser continues
	17	18	19	20	21
	PTA fundraiser continues	High School and Beyond Night at Jackson HS 5:30-7:30 PTA fundraiser FUN RUN			Learning Improvement Friday; 1:35 dismissal PTA Monster Mash Glow-in-the-dark Costume Dance 4:30-7:00
	24	25	26	27	28
			Vision Screen Day		Early Dismissal at 12:20 Conference Prep.
	31	1	2	3	4
	Conference Week Early Dismissal 12:20	Conference Week Early Dismissal 12:20	Conference Week Early Dismissal 12:20	Conference Week Early Dismissal 12:20	Conference Week Early Dismissal 12:20



Dear Woodside Families,

Dear Woodside Families, Happy Fall! As the temperatures cool, the leaves begin to change into beautiful shades of gold, orange and red. This marks the new season and our upcoming school events including the district Let's Connect.

Now that we are back to school, the next Let's Connect will be held inperson. You are invited to connect with the Region Three Regional Superintendent, Larry Fleckenstein, to engage in conversation about Back to School and to provide feedback to help us improve. We want to hear from you and hope you can attend an in-person meeting to share



Mrs. Christine Vo
Woodside Elementary
Assistant Principal

your thoughts on October 6 from 6-7 p.m. This event will take place in the Heatherwood Middle School cafeteria.

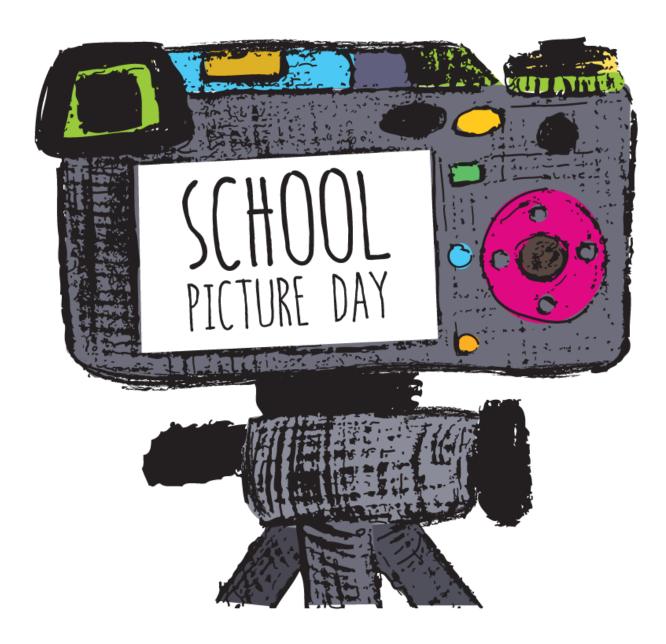
Another exciting and popular school event happening this month to kick off the school year, is our PTA Harvest Night for Woodside families on Friday, October 21. There will be more planned events to come this year, including our highly attended STEAM and Multicultural Nights. We look forward to the continued presence and support from our wonderful Woodside students, staff and families.

Warmly, Christine Vo, Assistant Principal Woodside Elementary (425) 385-7800 cvo@everettsd.org



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Save the date!

Picture Day is October 11th!





Picture Day is Coming To Your School!

Woodside Elementary School

October 11, 2022



Easy Access at your Fingertips!

Picture day information, online ordering, and our customer advocate team are all at your fingertips. Scan the QR code or visit mydorian.com, search for your school, and click on the green Order button or yellow Help button associated with your picture day.

You can order online now and for up to four (4) days after picture day.



Here are some helpful tips to make picture day great!

- Schedule haircuts 7-10 days prior to picture day!
- Wear simple clothing. Solid shirts or small patterns, along with sleeves, photograph best. A simple collared shirt is a timeless classic.
- Avoid logos and text on clothing. Graphics or wording may not photograph completely and can become partially cropped out of your picture.





¡El día de la foto llegará pronto a su escuela!

Woodside Elementary School

October 11, 2022





Fácil acceso a su alcance!

La información del día de la fotografía, los pedidos en línea y nuestro equipo de atención al cliente están al alcance de su mano. Escanee el código QR o visite mydorian.com, busque su escuela y haga clic en el botón verde Ordenar o en el botón amarillo Ayuda asociado con su día de fotos.

Su pedido en línea se puede realizar antes y hasta cuatro (4) días después del día de la foto.

¡Aquí hay algunos consejos para que el día de las fotos sea genial!



¡Programe cortes de cabello de 7 a 10 días antes del día de la foto!



Usa ropa sencilla. Las camisetas sólidas o los estampados pequeños, junto con las mangas, son las mejores fotos. Una simple camisa con cuello es un clásico atemporal.



Evite los logotipos y el texto en la ropa. Los gráficos o las palabras pueden no estar completamente fotografiados y pueden estar parcialmente recortados de la imagen.



PTA NEWS

Dear Woodside Parents!



We have several different volunteer opportunities for you. Please see the links below to contribute your time to our school. We only ask that you make sure you are approved by the district before being able to help on campus during school hours.

Here is the link to be volunteer approved:

https://www.everettsd.org/domain/1452

PICTURE DAY: OCT 11 We need 4 volunteers for 3 hours to help with picture day. Sign up below: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f49aba928a5f58-photo

ART DOCENT: Volunteers are given supplies and an art lesson made by our Art Docent Lead once a month. Volunteer then works with your teacher of choice to find a time that month to come and teach the lesson. No experience needed. Sign up below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e45afad2dabfdc61-woodside

POPCORN FRIDAY HELPERS: Popcorn Friday is usually the last Friday of the month. Need parent helpers to pop popcorn and give to students during their lunch hours. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f49aba928a5f58-popcorn1

LUNCH ROOM HELPER: The school is looking for 2 parent volunteers each day to help during the lunch transition of kindergarten and 1st grade. This is one hour a day. You can choose the days you want to help. Sign up below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F49ABA928A5F58-lunch

If you have questions, please email us.

Thank you,

Woodside PTA

Visit our website or Facebook page for the latest information on events!





You are invited to Woodside's PTA Ice Cream Social & Woodside's STEAM Night! Ice Cream Truck, Book Night and STEAM Night!

Thursday, December 1, 2022

5:00-7:00



<u>PTA Book Fair</u> November 28 - December 2 Woodside Library



POPCORN
GLOW STICKS
TREATBAGS





WOODSIDE PTA PRESENTS:

MONSTER MASH

GLOW-IN-THE-DARK COSTUME DANCE

FRIDAY OCTOBER 21ST 2022 SCHOOL
COURTYARD

4:30PM-5:15PM - LOW MUSIC DANCE 5:15PM-7:00PM - PUMP UP THE VOLUME





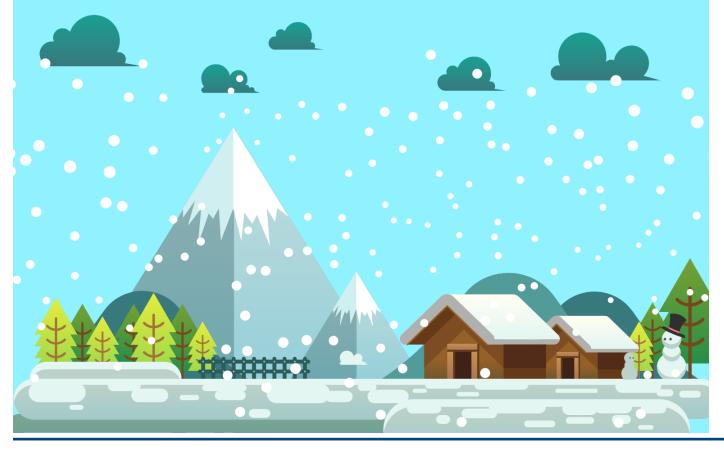


SAVE THE DATE

WINTER

STEAM FAMILY NIGHT!

DECEMBER 1, 2022





Let's Connect

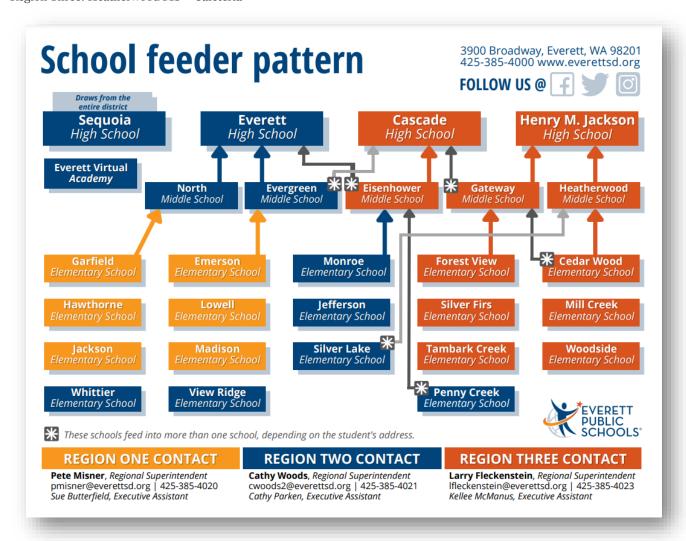
In an effort to engage in two-way conversations with families, Everett Public Schools holds hour long Let's Connect sessions to allow families to engage on a topic with either district or school administrators and provide input on specific topics.

The first Let's Connect of the school year is scheduled for October 6 from 6-7 p.m. and is 'in-person' where we will talk about academic needs your student may have and what student achievement means to you. Each region will host this session for their school families and interpreters from prominent languages in our district will be on site.



Please see the location information below for each region's session and the graphic below to determine the schools in each region.

Region One: Madison ES - Cafeteria Region Two: Evergreen MS - Cafeteria Region Three: Heatherwood MS - Cafeteria





Parent University

Parent University is an on-demand resource created to help parents and guardians become full partners in their child's education. Parent and family engagement in education positively impacts the academic and social success of children. Content includes a selection of pre-recorded videos and how-to documents that can be viewed at any time. You will find Parent University, at www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity.



Safety reminders

As mornings become darker and darker, drivers, please keep an eye out for students walking and waiting at their bus stops. Families, please have your students wait for the bus to come to a complete stop and the flashing lights and stop sign to be fully out before they cross the street. Here is great graphic showing when to stop for school buses, and if you are ever in doubt--STOP! Other safety reminders include:

- Students and parents should wait on the curb when waiting for the school bus, not off
- Do not stand in school crosswalks, obey crossing guards if present.
- Be focused and aware when walking in school parking lots. We encourage walkers to stay off their cell phones while walking. Dark mornings may make it difficult for drivers to see walkers.
- Bicyclist must abide by the same laws as drivers, which means they must stop for school buses when applicable.
- If possible, wear lighter clothing/coats or add something reflective on darker clothing.

When to stop when school bus lights are flashing or stop bar is out 2-lane roadway: both directions stop STOP (3+ lanes: stop if traveling same direction as bus → ((□)) ✓ httcse with ceutlor Turning lane: stop if traveling same direction as bus Median: stop if traveling same direction as bus \$430 fine if violating any of the above

Did you miss a call from us?

If you missed a call from your school, please first check your voice mail, email or mobile app for the message rather than calling the school. Schools are often inundated with phone calls from parents after they send an automated call and cannot answer all the calls. If messaging is still not being delivered, then you will need to update your contact information at your school. If your contact information has changed, please let your school know so they can update the system to be able to successfully reach you.



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service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints Section 504 Coordinator: **ADA Coordinator:** Randi Seaberg 425-385-4063 425-385-4104 DPeters@everettsd.org

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Let's Connect (Conectémonos)

En un esfuerzo de poder entablar una conversación bidireccional con las familias, las Escuelas Públicas de Everett celebran las sesiones de "Let's Connect" de una hora de duración para permitir a las familias a que participen de un tema con el distrito o con los administradores escolares y puedan proporcionar sus comentarios y opiniones en temas específicos.

La primera sesión de Let's Connect del año escolar está programada para el 6 de octubre de 6pm a 7pm en persona, en donde se discutirán las necesidades académicas que su estudiante pueda tener y que significa para usted el logro académico. Cada región celebrará esta sesión para sus familias escolares y se contará con intérpretes de los idiomas más destacados de nuestro distrito.



- ¿Cuáles son las necesidades académicas que pueda tener su estudiante?
- ¿Qué significa para usted el logro académico del estudiante?

Por favor consulte la información sobre la ubicación de las sesiones de cada región y el gráfico que figura a continuación para determinar las escuelas de cada región.

Región uno: Madison ES - Cafetería Región dos: Evergreen MS - Cafetería Region Tres: Heatherwood MS – Cafetería





Parent University (Universidad para Padres)



La Universidad para Padres es un recurso en demanda creado para ayudar a los padres y tutores legales a hacerse socios completos en la educación de sus hijos/hijas. La participación de los padres y las familias en la educación afectan positivamente el éxito académico y social de los niños y niñas. El contenido incluye la selección de documentos prácticos que pueden ser vistos en cualquier momento. Usted puede encontrar Parent University en www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity.

Recordatorios de seguridad

Ahora que las mañanas se están haciendo más oscuras, le pedimos por favor a los conductores que tengan precaución con los estudiantes que están caminando y esperando en las paradas de autobús. Familias, por favor hagan que sus estudiantes se esperen a que el autobús se pare por completo, destelle sus luces intermitentes y despliegue la barra de alto por completo antes de cruzar la calle. Aquí les presentamos una gráfica que muestra cuando detenerse ante los autobuses escolares. Y si tiene duda--iDETÉGANSE! Otros recordatorios de seguridad incluyen:

- Los estudiantes y los padres deben esperar en la acera cuando esperen el autobús escolar y no abajo de la banqueta o en el arroyo vehicular.
- No se paren en los cruces escolares, obedezca a los guardias de cruce cuando estén presentes.
- Enfóquese y esté alerta al caminar en los estacionamientos escolares. Exhortamos a las personas que caminan que no estén distraídos con sus celulares al ir caminando.
 Las mañanas oscuras pueden producir dificultades para que los conductores puedan ver a los peatones.
- Los ciclistas deben apegarse a las mismas leyes que los conductores, lo que significa que deben pararse ante los autobuses escolares cuando aplique.
- Si es posible, use ropa/abrigos ligeros reflectivo sobre la ropa oscura.

¿Tiene una llamada perdida de nosotros?

Si tiene una llamada perdida de su escuela, primero verifique su correo de voz, email o aplicación móvil para el mensaje, en lugar de llamar a la escuela. Las escuelas están a menudo inundadas con llamadas de los padres después de recibir una llamada automatizada y no pueden responder a todas las llamadas. Si no le están llegando los mensajes, entonces tendrá que actualizar su información de contacto en su escuela. Si su información de contacto ha cambiado, por favor, avise a su escuela para que puedan actualizar el sistema y poder contactarlo.

