

## Dr. Saltzman family message May 13, 2021

To: All EPS families

From: Dr. Ian B. Saltzman, Superintendent

Regarding: Fall 2021 Planning

Good afternoon families! I hope this finds you well and enjoying these long, sunny days in the Pacific Northwest!

We have a little over five weeks of school left and we are going to finish strong. There is a lot of learning that can happen in five weeks, as well as a lot of personal connections with students we look forward to.

While we are finishing this year well, we are also looking with excitement to the fall. Everett Public Schools, like other districts in our region, state and nationally, are planning on opening 100% in person in the fall. The anticipation is great as students may be entering a school for the first time, or may not have seen their classmates in person for over a year. We look forward to the energy as the new year kicks off.

I wanted to make sure you knew our plans now. All staff will be back in the buildings. Students will be learning in-person. We know that nothing is 100% guaranteed in the future, but we are moving forward with this plan and encourage you to anticipate learning in person in the fall. We are looking into virtual opportunities for students and will share more about that in the future.

I get excited just writing about seeing kids in the building again. Let's not jump ahead too fast though, and focus on making the last 27 days meaningful and full of learning.

And on the topic of end of the year, I want to let you know the last day of school this year is Monday, June 21st, and will be an asynchronous day. The day will be used for device and material drop off and pick up. More details will be coming to you directly from your school.

If you have any questions, please contact your principal.

Please be safe and be well,

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