Dear Everett High School Community:

The end of the first semester and the start of the second semester has been an extremely busy time. It has been a few weeks since I have put out a community update. You are all invited to join us tonight for our Latin Image, Dream Project & AVID night. We will be serving dinner from 6:00-6:45 in the cafeteria and will follow dinner with college bound information in both English and Spanish.

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Class of 2012

Parents and students from the class of 2012 may want to check out the following website to get information about upcoming graduation night events: http://2012.everett.gradnights.com/

Free tax preparation

United Way certified volunteers offer FREE tax preparation for qualified families at North Middle School, 2514 Rainier Ave., in Everett. Beginning Jan. 24 through April 14, you can have your basic individual tax return completed on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5 - 8 p.m., or Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the North Middle School cafeteria. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to closing, no appointment necessary.

Be sure to bring a valid picture ID, current social security cards or taxpayer ID numbers for all family members and dependents, W-2s, child care provider information, as well as current bank account information in order to receive an electronic refund. Call 2-1-1 after Jan. 15, 2012 for more information.

Art show

Everett Public Schools and the Everett Public Schools Foundation are pleased to announce the 14th annual art shows. All art shows are open for public viewing from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Educational Service Center at 4730 Colby Ave. in Everett.

The High School Art Show will be open for public viewing March 19 to April 10, 2012. The awards reception will be April 12, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Educational Service Center. In addition to student awards, two special awards will be announced at the High School Art Show awards reception:

- The Superintendent's Purchase Award Superintendent Gary Cohn will select a piece of art from the show for permanent display at the district office. This award is sponsored by the Everett Public Schools Foundation.
- The Everett Public Schools Foundation Scholarship Award This scholarship is awarded for excellence in the visual arts and is worth \$1,000. Information

regarding scholarship applications will be made available at a later date through the Everett Public Schools Foundation.

The ESD 189 Art Show will be open for public viewing Feb. 28 to March 16, 2012. Student artists from around our region participate in this juried show, and the winners advance to the state level of competition. The artist reception will be in the evening on March 16, 2012.

Board community conversations

Meet and talk with school board members one-on-one about topics of your choice. All conversations will be 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Feb. 23, North Middle School library March 29, Eisenhower Middle School library May 3, Gateway Middle School library

Public budget meetings

Open community budget meetings for budget explanation, discussion and insights – based upon what is known in late February and what legislative decisions have been made or are pending.

Feb. 27, Evergreen Middle School, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Feb. 29, Heatherwood Middle School, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The board will hold its annual Budget Carousel meeting, during which you will have an opportunity to speak one-on-one with a board member about budget proposals at that point and your thoughts about ways to ensure quality student programs in our schools.

March 20, Educational Service Center, 5-6:30 p.m.

FREE Tdap/pertussis vaccinations for adults

Snohomish Health District will hold a one-day special clinic in Everett and Marysville on Feb. 4 for free Tdap/pertussis vaccinations for adults only.

Open enrollment for school variances

Beginning Jan. 3, 2012, you may submit a variance request if you would like your student to attend a school other than your resident school for the 2012-13 school year. If you would like to attend a different school within our district, you can now go directly to the school you would like to attend to apply for a variance. If you would like to be released to attend a school outside our district, please come by the district office at 4730 Colby Ave. Applications and forms are also available online. For more information, call 425-385-4070 or visit the district website under "Parents."

Future Events

- Everett Community College will be offering an informational session about Running Start on February 21 at 7:00 pm.
- Finals Schedule: To Be Determined

Sincerely,

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