

# Jefferson Charger News

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## From the Principal

The last full month of school is upon us! As I sat down to write this, I reflected back on where we were at this time last year. About half of our students were learning virtually full-time, and about half were attending school in the hybrid model. That meant our staff was split in half, and we weren't doing much of anything extra in person.

We've come so far in a year – from having everyone back in person, to navigating changes in COVID guidelines, to what finally feels like a more typical school experience. Welcoming volunteers back to classrooms, and families back into our school for events like the art show, has been wonderful. ***I am so appreciative*** of the Jefferson community of students, families, and staff – what a great group to work with each day!

As I write this, there are 36 school days left. In May, it can feel like we are just sliding toward the end of the year. However, 36 days is 20% of the school year! ***Every day counts!*** Students are engaged in important learning every day, and we appreciate your having them here on time daily (as long as they are healthy). This month, our students in Grades 3-5 will take part in the state-mandated Smarter Balanced Assessments, along with the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science for fifth-graders. You can see the full schedule on Page 3 of this newsletter

I encourage everyone to attend the PTA meeting on May 12, and read the PTA news on Page 4 of this newsletter – there are two fun family events happening this month, and PTA is gearing up for carnival on June 10 – they need your help! ***Thanks, PTA, for all you are doing*** to strengthen our community!

***Mrs. Kelley***

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### ***May 6***

- 2:15 p.m. dismissal
- PTA Spring Family Dance, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (students must come to all school/PTA events with an adult who stays the entire time)

### ***May 12***

PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m.,  
<https://meet.google.com/ijt-qvwb-zqb> –  
see Page 4 of the newsletter for more PTA news

### ***May 13***

- Class photo day
- 2:15 p.m. dismissal
- PTA STEM Night at Home: Materials will be sent home with students, and families can access videos posted on the PTA website any time (the event is not live)

### ***May 20 & 27***

2:15 dismissal days

### ***May 30***

No school: Memorial Day



## News from the Art Room

Thank you so much to everyone who came out to the Glow and Grow Art show. Your students exhibited incredible work and we loved seeing “The Best Part” of each student lining the halls for the month of April. Jefferson has incredible artists! Mrs. Aguilera, [agardner@everettsd.org](mailto:agardner@everettsd.org)



## News from the Gym

Hello, Jefferson families, and happy May! A component of fitness that we develop in P.E. is muscular endurance. Muscular endurance is when we move our muscles over and over (12 times or more), or when we hold a position for a long time without taking a break or stopping to rest. Some exercises that strengthen muscular endurance are plank poses, sit-ups, crabwalk, bicep curls, and wall sits. Muscular endurance can help us run for longer periods of time, help us to lift and carry things over and over, as well as prevent injuries by strengthening our bones. Is there a way your child can build their muscular endurance at home?

Great news: Field Day is live and in person this year! Mark your calendars – Field Day is scheduled for Thursday, June 16 – and stay tuned for more information about times and schedule. If you would like to volunteer to help on Field Day, please be watching for a Field Day flier coming home soon! Questions? Feel free to e-mail me. Ms. Rowe, [srowe@everettsd.org](mailto:srowe@everettsd.org)

## News for Multilingual Learners

**Update on WIDA:** WIDA is a new state-required assessment that replaces ELPA21. It assesses multilingual speaking students on their language acquisition and proficiency in four domains (listening, reading, writing and speaking). All multilingual language learners (MLL) students have successfully completed the WIDA assessment for language development. It was impressive to see how each student tried their very best. The guidelines for determining proficiency for exiting the multilingual program will be determined this summer. We will notify families of exiting students in the fall of this upcoming 2022-23 school year. Ms. Kolosnitsyn, MLL coach, [ikolosnitsyn@everettsd.org](mailto:ikolosnitsyn@everettsd.org)

## News from the Music Room

Happy spring from the music room! We are down to our last seven music classes of the year, and thanks to the generosity of our PTA and Lighthouse Elementary Cooperative, we have 30 ukuleles! Students in all grades will begin to learn about these wonderful instruments, and will have opportunities to use them in our music classes in coming years. What a great way to wrap up the year! As always, I can't wait to make music with our Jefferson Chargers! Mrs. Rockwell, [drockwell@everettsd.org](mailto:drockwell@everettsd.org)





# SCHOOL NEWS

## **CHANGING SCHOOLS NEXT YEAR?**

If you are not planning on your child returning to Jefferson for the 2022-23 school year, please let our office know as soon as possible by e-mailing [ttolpingrud@everettsd.org](mailto:ttolpingrud@everettsd.org) or calling 425-385-7400.

## **SBA TESTING SCHEDULE**

**Third grade:** May 12-13, May 18, May 24, and May 26

**Fourth grade:** May 5-6, May 11, May 19, and May 25

**Fifth grade:** May 3-4, May 10, May 17, May 20, and May 27

Please make sure your child is on time to school, gets a good night's sleep, and has breakfast!

## **Registration is Now Open for FREE Bowling This Summer!**

Have you heard about Kids Bowl Free? It is a nationwide program designed to help keep kids busy over summer break. Here's how it works:

Register your kids online.

Receive your free bowling coupons via e-mail.

Redeem the coupons during participating bowling alleys' specific Kids Bowl Free Hours.

Age Requirements: ages 2-15

KENMORE LANES – [Register Here](#)

LYNNWOOD BOWL AND SKATE – [Register Here](#)





# PTA NEWS

There is lots going on with PTA this month! In addition to the May 6 Spring Family Dance, don't miss the May 12 PTA meeting, where they'll talk about next year's events calendar and board members – nominations are open! There will also be materials kids coming home so that students can take part in fun STEM activities – videos will be posted on the PTA website May 13. Stay up to date on PTA news throughout the school year at [www.jeffersonpta.org](http://www.jeffersonpta.org)!

**ALOHA!**  
 Jefferson Elementary PTA's  
**SPRING FAMILY DANCE**  
 Hawaiian Luau  
 May 6th, 2022  
 6:30 - 8:30PM  
 Dancing, Activities and so much more!  
 Concessions will be provided by 5th Grade Fundraising

Jefferson PTA

NOW ACCEPTING  
**NOMINATIONS**  
 FOR 2022-2023 PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD

<p><b>Anatomy of a PTA President</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Focused on our purpose</li> <li>Comfortable public speaker</li> <li>Brings partners together</li> <li>Juggles multiple tasks</li> </ul>	<p><b>Anatomy of a PTA Vice President</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seeks connections</li> <li>Supportive team player</li> <li>Curious Researcher</li> </ul>
<p><b>Anatomy of a PTA Treasurer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good with \$ and numbers</li> <li>Accurate &amp; Detail Oriented</li> <li>Balances budgets &amp; meets deadlines</li> </ul>	<p><b>Anatomy of a PTA Secretary</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organizer</li> <li>Skilled Communicator</li> <li>Manages calendar and documents</li> </ul>

**SUBMIT NOMINATIONS TO  
 COMMUNICATIONS@JEFFERSONPTA.ORG**

WE CAN'T  
 WAIT TO SEE  
 you!

**PTA**  
 JEFFERSON  
**MEETING**  
**THURSDAY - MAY 12TH @ 6:30 PM**

VIDEO CONFERENCE: [MEET.GOOGLE.COM/IJT-QVWB-ZOB](https://meet.google.com/IJT-QVWB-ZOB)  
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# DISTRICT NEWS

## ECEAP preschool accepting applications for 2022-23



Everett Public Schools Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP) is a FREE preschool program for three- and four-year-old children from families with limited income. ECEAP

prepares children for kindergarten and provides family support and health and nutrition services. It is funded by the Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF). The six ECEAP sites within our school district are Cedar Wood, Hawthorne, Jackson, Lowell, Madison, and Silver Lake elementary schools. Students across the district are welcome to attend. Space is limited – apply early! For an application or more information, please visit the [district ECEAP website](#) or call 425-385-4628.

## Summer Academy registration is open

Registration is open for Summer Academy 2022 and [registration materials are online](#). The elementary and middle school summer academies are available for current students in kindergarten through seventh grade to reinforce learning in reading, writing, and mathematics. Priority enrollment will be given to students who meet eligibility requirements. A variety of summer academy courses are available for high school students including district-facilitated credit recovery courses, Online High School and career exploration, mentorship, and internship opportunities through Everett Career Link. Tuition is waived for EPS students for elementary, middle and high school (including OnlineHS.net courses) students. Contact the Summer Academy with additional questions at [summerschool@everettsd.org](mailto:summerschool@everettsd.org).

## Kindergarten registration

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by Aug. 31, 2022?

Registration is open. You can complete

enrollment forms for kindergarten [online](#)! A [step-by-step parent walkthrough video](#) is also available as a resource.



## Student Art Shows

Everett Public Schools, in partnership with the Everett Public Schools Foundation, is celebrating 24 years of student art shows. The elementary art show was on display at the Community Resource Center (CRC) from February 22 to March 18 and can be viewed virtually on the district's website at [www.everettsd.org/StudentArtShows](http://www.everettsd.org/StudentArtShows). High school art was displayed April 11 to April 28. Middle school art will be displayed May 12 to June 2. All participating student artists and their family members and friends are invited to attend the Middle School Art Show reception on May 26, 6 – 7:30 p.m. at the CRC, 3900 Broadway. Awards will be announced.

## Graduation dates

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming high school graduations in June. Ceremony details will be shared soon.

- Sequoia High School June 16, 6 p.m. at Civic Auditorium
- Everett High School, June 18 at 11 a.m. at The Angel of the Winds Arena
- Cascade High School, June 18 at 3 p.m. at The Angel of the Winds Arena
- Jackson High School, June 18 at 7 p.m. at The Angel of the Winds Arena



## 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.

Access important information such as resources available to



students, how to understand SBA tests and SBA scores, how to access and log in to Canvas, how to view your student's schedule, navigating district systems and more. Our goal is to increase collaboration and

involvement between schools, families, and the community; and to educate, empower and connect families with resources that build parent and student confidence, enhance character development, and promote life skills to increase the likelihood of family success in academic endeavors. Content includes a selection of videos and how-to documents that can be viewed at any time. If you have additional topics you would like to see, please fill out our ["Suggest a Topic" form](#). The form is also available at [www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity](http://www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity). We value your partnership as we continually improve this resource.

## Let's Connect



The May Let's Connect will focus on transitions to a new school level. Mark your calendars for May 16 at 5 p.m. More information and how to register will be coming soon.

## Family Engagement Advisory Council application

The district is currently seeking members to serve on the Family Engagement Advisory Council (FEAC) with a mission of having families work directly with district and school leadership, bringing the family voice to district and school-level decision-making. The term of membership is a minimum of two years. Members will serve from August 2022 to July 2024 with quarterly meetings. If you are a parent, family member or guardian of a currently enrolled student in Everett Public Schools and are interested in serving on the FEAC, please apply on the districts website at [www.everettsd.org/FEAC](http://www.everettsd.org/FEAC). The application will be under Quick Links and will be accepted from May 16 to May 31.

## Enrollment and community resource fair

Join us at the Enrollment and Community Resource Fair on Thursday, May 19 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Community Resource Center at 3900 Broadway. Families will learn about providers in their community and in the schools! Service Providers include legal services, health and mental health services, education and training resources and more! We are also enrolling for our preschool program, ECEAP. If you have a child that is at least 3 years old by August 31, please come and sign them up. There will also be door prizes. Any questions, please call Abby Mayers at 425-385-4138 or email [amayers@everettsd.org](mailto:amayers@everettsd.org).



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