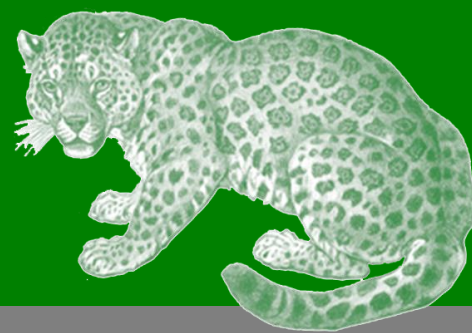


Silver Firs Jaguar News

SILVER FIRS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal:

Dear Silver Firs Families,

We hope you are doing well, enjoying the longer days, and opportunity to spend more time outdoors. May is upon us and we realize we're in the final leg of the school year. We are deeply grateful for your continued support!

It's almost that time – standardized testing is right around the corner for our Silver Firs students in Grades 3-5. You play an important part in helping your child give their best performance on this important assessment. As you know, teachers and staff at Silver Firs have been busy preparing and reinforcing the skills necessary for students to demonstrate their learning. Even though this assessment is a snapshot – it is important that your child has every advantage to do their very best. We don't want to cause test anxiety, rather we want our students to be as prepared as possible. There are many ways in which you can help your child put his/her best foot forward.

The Night before the test:

- 1) Make sure your child goes to bed on time, so he/she is well-rested.
- 2) Keep your routine as normal as possible; upsetting natural routines may make children feel insecure.
- 3) Be positive and confident in the fact that you know your child will do his/her best.
- 4) Plan ahead to avoid conflicts in the morning of test.

The Morning of the test:

- 1) Get up a few minutes early to avoid rushing and make sure your child arrives to at school on time.
- 2) Have your child eat a nutritious breakfast. There is a strong correlation between eating breakfast and memory cognitive functioning.
- 3) Have your child dress comfortably.
- 4) Be positive and communicate that this is your child's opportunity to show case their growth and learning. The most important thing you, as a parent, can do is to build confidence about doing his/her very best.

Aleta Smoot
Principal

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May 2-6

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6

National Nurses Day

May 12

PTA Meeting

May 12, 17, 19, 24, 26

SBA Testing for 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades
**detailed information below under
Silver Firs Elementary News*

May 16-20

National Educational Bosses' Week

May 19

PTSA Awards

May 20

PTA Book Fair
4pm-7pm

May 27

Superstar Dance - Jackson High
School flyer attached

May 30

Memorial Day - No School



After the test:

- 1) Talk to you child about his/her feelings about the test.
- 2) Discuss what was easy and what was hard; discuss what you child learned from the assessment
- 3) Explain that performance on a test does not define him/her as a person. It is one opportunity to demonstrate learning and growth.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. Together we can make a difference!

In partnership,
Aleta Smoot, principal



Silver Firs Elementary News:

Silver Firs 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade students:

Students will take the Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA) in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics in compliance with state and federal law.

Additionally, our **5th graders** will take the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS). The SBA is a standardized test students take in a quiet and familiar environment. It is an assessment designed to determine the student's level of understanding of the academic standards learned. Please see schedule outlined below.

For more information about the Smarter Balanced Assessment or to try out a practice test, please visit the Family Information and Resources page <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/16044>

SBA Schedule:

MAY 2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12 3 rd ELA CAT 5 th ELA CAT	13
16	17 3 rd ELA PT 4 th ELA CAT 5 th ELA PT	18	19 4 th ELA PT 5 th SCIENCE	20
23	24 3 RD MATH CAT 4 TH MATH CAT 5 TH MATH CAT	25	26 3 rd Math PT 4 th MATH PT 5 th MATH PT	27



SFE PTA *please see newsletter attached!*

Have a question? Email us! questions@silverfirspta.org

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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.

Kindergarten registration is open

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.

Dual-language Spanish Immersion Program

The dual-language Spanish immersion program at Emerson Elementary School is an option for fall 2022. Families with children entering kindergarten will have the option to choose the dual language strand. This program gives elementary students an opportunity to complete the Everett Public Schools curriculum in a nontraditional and exciting way by immersing them in Spanish language and culture from



kindergarten through twelfth grade. Students in the program will become proficient in both Spanish and English while learning the same curriculum content as their peers outside the program.

Priority will be given to students within the Emerson Elementary School attendance area. If a high number of students apply, a lottery will be conducted to select students. If the class is not filled from those in the Emerson attendance area, an additional lottery from beyond the school attendance area will be conducted. More information is available at www.everettsd.org/DualLanguageSpanish.

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.

High school art will be displayed for public viewing from April 11 to April 28. All participating students, their family members and friends are invited to the High School Art Show Reception on April 28, 2022, 6-7:30 p.m. at the CRC (3900 Broadway). Awards will be announced at this reception.

Middle school art will be displayed for public viewing from 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 Community Resource Center (3900 Broadway). Awards will be announced at this reception.

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 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; 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 pre-recorded videos and how-to documents that can be viewed at any time.

If you have additional topics you would like to suggest, please fill out our [“Suggest a Topic” form](#). The form is also available on our Parent University webpage at www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity. We value your partnership as we continually improve this resource for families.

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

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. 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.

Let's Connect

The May Let's Connect will focus on transitions in education 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.



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Noticias del Distrito:

Preescolar ECEAP está aceptando aplicaciones 2022-23

El Programa de Educación y de Asistencia Infantil Temprana (ECEAP) es un programa de preescolar gratuito para niños y niñas entre tres y cuatro años de edad de familias con ingresos limitados. ECEAP prepara a los niños para el kínder y les provee apoyo y servicios de salud y nutrición. Está financiado por el Departamento de Niños, Jóvenes y Familias (DCYF) del Estado de Washington.

Los seis sitios ECEAP dentro de nuestro distrito escolar se encuentran en las escuelas primarias Cedar Wood, Hawthorne, Jackson, Lowell, Madison y Silver Lake. Todos los estudiantes del distrito son bienvenidos a asistir. El cupo es limitado - ¡aplique temprano! Para una solicitud o más información por favor visite el [sitio web ECEAP del distrito](#) o llame al 425-385-4628.



Inscripciones abiertas a la Academia de Verano

Las inscripciones a la Academia de Verano 2022 están abiertas y [los materiales para registrarse están en línea](#). Las academias de verano de primaria (elementary) y secundaria (middle school) están disponibles para alumnos actualmente cursando desde el kínder hasta el séptimo grado con el fin de reforzar su aprendizaje en lectura, escritura y matemáticas. La prioridad para inscribirse se les dará a los estudiantes que cumplan con los requisitos de elegibilidad. Contamos con una variedad de cursos en la academia de verano para alumnos de preparatoria que incluyen cursos de recuperación de créditos facilitados por el distrito, Online High School y exploración de carreras, mentoría y oportunidades de prácticas laborales (internships) a través de Everett Career Link. Los alumnos de las Escuelas Públicas de Everett de primaria, secundaria y preparatoria (incluyendo para los cursos de OnlineHS.net) están exentos del pago de colegiatura. Comuníquese con la Academia de Verano para preguntas adicionales en summerschool@everettsd.org.

Inscripciones abiertas al kínder

¿Tiene a un hijo/hija que tendrá 5 años cumplidos para el 31 de agosto de 2022? Las inscripciones están abiertas. Puede llenar sus formularios de inscripción para el kínder [en línea](#)! Contamos como recurso con un [video paso a paso para padres de familia](#)

Programa de inmersión al español con lenguaje dual

El programa de inmersión al español con lenguaje dual (en inglés como “dual-language Spanish immersion program”) de la escuela primaria de Emerson es una opción disponible para el otoño 2022. Las familias con niños y niñas que van a ingresar al kínder tienen la opción de elegir seguir el programa con lenguaje dual. Este programa le da a los alumnos de primaria una oportunidad de poder completar el plan de estudios de Everett Public Schools de una manera excitante y no tradicional de poder estar inmersos en el idioma español y su cultura desde el kínder hasta el 12vo grado. Los alumnos en el programa tendrán dominio del idioma inglés y del español aprendiendo el mismo plan de estudios que sus compañeros que no están en este programa.

Se le da prioridad a los estudiantes que viven dentro de la zona de asistencia escolar de la escuela primaria Emerson. Si un número elevado de estudiantes aplica, se realizará un sorteo para seleccionar a los estudiantes. Si la clase no se llena con alumnos de la zona de asistencia escolar de Emerson, se hará un sorteo adicional para alumnos fuera de la zona de asistencia escolar. Contamos con más información en www.everettsd.org/DualLanguageSpanish.



Shows de Arte Estudiantil



Las Escuelas Públicas de Everett en asociación con La Fundación de las Escuelas Públicas de Everett están celebrando 24 años de shows de arte estudiantil.

El show de arte de primaria estuvo en exposición en el Centro de Recursos Comunitarios (CRC) del 22 de febrero al 18 de marzo, el cual puede ser apreciado virtualmente a través del sitio web del distrito en www.everettsd.org/StudentArtShows.

El show de arte de preparatoria será expuesto al público del 11 al 28 de abril. Todos los alumnos participantes, sus miembros de familia y amigos están invitados a la recepción de este show de arte el día 28 de abril de 2022 de 6-7:30 p.m. en el Centro de Recursos Comunitarios (CRC) en 3900 Broadway. Los premios serán anunciados durante la recepción.

El show de arte de secundaria será expuesto al público del 12 de mayo al 2 de junio. Todos los alumnos participantes, sus miembros de familia y amigos están invitados a la recepción de este show de arte el día 26 de mayo de 2022 de 6-7:30 p.m. en el Centro de Recursos Comunitarios (CRC) en 3900 Broadway. Los premios serán anunciados durante la recepción.

Universidad para padres (Parent University)



La Universidad para Padres es un recurso por demanda creado para ayudar a los padres y tutores legales a que participen de lleno en la educación de sus hijos. La participación de padres y familia en la educación afecta positivamente el éxito académico y social de los niños y niñas. Acceda a información relevante como los recursos disponibles a los estudiantes, cómo entender el examen SBA y sus puntajes, cómo acceder e ingresar a Canvas, cómo consultar el horario de su estudiante, cómo navegar el sistema del distrito y más.

Nuestra meta es aumentar el nivel de colaboración e involucramiento entre las escuelas, las familias y la comunidad para educar, empoderar y conectar a las familias con recursos que formen la confianza de los padres y el estudiante, mejoren el desarrollo de carácter, y promuevan las habilidades para la vida con el fin de incrementar las probabilidades del éxito de las familias en sus metas y aspiraciones académicas.

El contenido incluye una selección de videos pregrabados y documentos de cómo hacer algo que pueden ser vistos en cualquier momento.

Si tiene algún tema adicional que le gustaría sugerir, por favor llene nuestro [formulario de "Sugiera un Tema"](http://www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity), que está también disponible en nuestra página web de Parent University en www.everettsd.org/ParentUniversity.

Apreciamos su trabajo en colaboración con nosotros para continuar mejorando este recurso para las familias.

Fechas de graduación

Por favor marque sus calendarios para las próximas graduaciones de preparatoria en junio. Se compartirán pronto los detalles de las ceremonias.

- Sequoia High School Junio 16, 6 p.m., Auditorio "Civic Auditorium"
- Everett High School, Junio 18, 11 a.m. en la Arena "The Angel of the Winds Arena"
- Cascade High School, Junio 18, 3 p.m. en la Arena "The Angel of the Winds Arena"
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Solicitud del Consejo Asesor de Participación Familiar

El distrito actualmente está buscando miembros para servir en el Consejo Asesor de Participación Familiar con la misión de hacer que las familias trabajen directamente con el liderazgo del distrito y la escuela, llevando la voz de la familia a la toma de decisiones a nivel del distrito y la escuela. La duración de la afiliación es de un mínimo de dos años. Los miembros servirán desde agosto de 2022 hasta julio de 2024 con reuniones trimestrales.

Si es padre, familiar o tutor de un estudiante actualmente inscrito en las Escuelas Públicas de Everett y está interesado en participar en el Consejo Asesor de Participación Familiar, presente su solicitud en el sitio web del distrito en www.everettsd.org/FEAC. La solicitud estará bajo Quick Links y será aceptada del 16 al 31 de mayo.

Feria de inscripciones y recursos comunitarios

Acompáñenos a la feria de inscripciones y recursos comunitarios el jueves 19 de mayo de 5:30 a 7 p.m. en el Centro de Recursos Comunitarios (CRC) en 3900 Broadway. ¡Las familias aprenderán acerca de los proveedores en su comunidad y en las escuelas! Habrá proveedores de servicios que incluyen servicios legales, de salud y mental, educación y recursos de capacitación ¡y más! También estaremos inscribiendo alumnos para nuestro programa de preescolar, ECEAP. Si tiene un menor que al menos tenga 3 años cumplidos antes del 31 de agosto, por favor venga para inscribirlo. Tendremos también premios a la entrada. Para cualquier pregunta, por favor llame a Abby Mayers al 425-385-4138 o por email a amayers@everettsd.org.

Let's Connect (Conectémonos)

La sesión de mayo de "Let's Connect" se centrará en las transiciones en la educación a un nuevo nivel escolar. Marque sus calendarios para el 16 de mayo a las 5 p.m. Próximamente habrá más información y cómo registrarse.



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• sexual, expresión de género o identidad, discapacidad, o el uso de perros guía entrenados o
• animales de servicio, y provee con acceso equitativo a los Boy Scouts y a otros grupos juveniles
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