

# Snohomish School District Parent Partnership Program

June Shirey, Principal

Home of the Firebirds

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Attendance Line  
360-563-3423

## Message from June

Dear Parents,

We have been working very hard on an Open House to showcase our wonderful school program. I appreciate all of the parents who have stepped up to help and hope that many of you will invite your friends who are homeschooling or who are looking for new opportunities for their kids! Our district office is also helping with advertising and treats. **The new date is Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30-8.** If you can volunteer to attend as a helper to talk to interested parents, please sign up in the office with Lori.

Another March event is the start of the WASL testing. I hope we will see a large turnout for these state tests which help us determine skills that our students are strong in and others that need refining. Your students' participation does affect the school's outcomes so we depend on your participation. I know the change in schedule is an inconvenience and for that I am sorry. This is a state mandate that cannot be changed. Thanks for understanding.

I have been enjoying seeing the displays in the classrooms and see the great work your students are doing. Keep up the good work as parents partnering with us. We love your kids!

Sincerely,

June Shirey

"Not everyone can be famous but everyone can be great because great is determined by service."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

### Dates to remember

No School

March 9th

Staff In Service

### Mission Statement

The "heart" or core of what we do, will be service oriented. In other words, the educational needs and desires of our home schooling students and their parents will be the priority in the choices school leaders make.

The classes and services we offer will be characterized by excellence. It is our expectation that this partnership program will be a model to other alternative schools in its quality and diversity of programs offered.

# Thank you!

Muchas Gracias      常感激      Merci Beaucoup      どうもありがとうございます

The staff would like to say a BIG "Thank you" to all who helped make our recent Holiday Extravaganza so successful! Families enjoyed a spectacular cultural experience as they traveled around the world in search of knowledge and entertainment. From the Far East to Europe, Middle East to Caribbean our senses were filled with the sights, smells, tastes, and experiences of the holidays.

So many people helped to make the Holiday Extravaganza a wonder-filled experience. If we have forgotten someone, please let us know. With that said, we would like to say "Thank you" to Marcie Clogston, Connie Siderius, and Wendy Garrett (great freehand art!), and others who helped them with the awesome banners advertising the event. Special thank you to those who helped set up: Kathy Beck, Tina Schuck, Tim Lam-bright, Marilyn Blackburn and Nicole Summers. Thank you to all who helped clean up, especially Cindy Pennington and her daughters who stuck with us until the last crumb was swept up! Lastly, a Muchas Gracias to our presenters. You all put your heart and soul into this event. Thank you for sharing your heritage with us:

Warren Family	France (loved the chocolates & the gruesome legend!)
Roberts Family	Israel (the Dreidel game was a hit!)
Lee Family	Europe (who knew there was so much to learn about St. Nick?)
Jensen Family	China (what a fun dragon!)
Mordi Family	Nigeria (the clothing was fantastic!)
Defigh Family	Phillipines (the bamboo dance was soooo fun!)
Giron Family	Poland (fantastic cabbage rolls!)
Vega Family	Puerto Rico (a taste of the tropics- I want to visit!)
Diane Armstrong	Japan (the card making and cakes were awesome!)



## Expeditionary Field Trip

Feb. 20th      Science Express/School Campus      9:15-10:45 am  
10:40 am-12:10pm

Feb. 27th      NO FIELD TRIP

Mar. 6th      Seattle Art Museum      10:30-11:40  
tour

Mar. 13th      Western Heritage Center      10:00-12:00



### ***IT IS WASL TIME AGAIN***

The WASL is fast approaching for all 10<sup>th</sup> graders. Younger grades will be testing in April. It is important for all students to take the WASL this year even though there is talk that the test may look different next year. Not participating affects our school's results and the WASL is still required for high school graduation. There will continue to be some type of proficiency testing for all students in the following years.

Testing for 10<sup>th</sup> graders will begin Monday March 16 at 9:00 sharp! **Schedules for all WASL testing will be in family files soon.** Please watch for these as some of the school times and days are affected.

Thank you,  
Mrs. Schuler

## Year Books Pre-Sales

The yearbook class is very excited about this years' yearbook. The yearbook will be digitally processed with a hard cover and original art work on the cover. Pre-Sales start February 23rd and go through April 16th. You can purchase a yearbook for \$25.00 during the Pre-Sale time. After April 16th the price increases to \$30.00. So save \$5.00 and order your yearbook today!



## Coffees

We are looking forward to having a cup of coffee with you! Our Coffees will start the week of March 23rd they will begin at 9:00am. So drop off the kids and come and share your thoughts and ideas with us. We will meet in the lunch room (rm. #8).



## Expense Statements

We have had a lot of questions regarding expense statements. Please remember to read the back of your blue expense statement form carefully. In regards to "dedicated receipt" that means if you purchases supplies etc. that you want to be reimbursed for only those items can appear on your receipt. Any other items you maybe purchasing at the same time, and you are keeping for your own personal use **must not be** on the same receipt as the one you are turning in. In addition all receipt from this time forward should **reflect only second semester dates**. Remember we're here to help. So please feel to stop in or call the office.

## Thank You From The PTO

Well we did it! We had a successful Game night for the Tuesday/Thursday kids, with no bloodshed or broken bones. I want to thank all the parents who came out to help. I for one had such a good time and I think the kids did too. I also want to thank Carrie Gove for the donation of 2 movie tickets we used as a door prize. Kiana Lockhart was the big winner. We will need new door prizes for our next event if you have any suggestion or donations please send me an e-mail [Kathryn\\_S\\_Beck@hotmail.com](mailto:Kathryn_S_Beck@hotmail.com). Special thanks to Diane Armstrong For all her hard work. See you at the movies.

Kathy Beck

## **P.A.T. (Parents Assisting Teachers)**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Session One</u>	<u>Session Two</u>
Monday	9 – 12:00	10:45—1:45
Tuesday	9 – 12:30	11:00—2:30
Wednesday	9 – 12:00	11:00—1:45
Thursday	9 – 12:30	11:00 – 2:30



### **PARENTS ASSISTING TEACHERS (PAT) SCHEDULE**

#### **Fourth Monday**

Wendy Garrett  
Tamra & Bob Dowd  
Alicia Kersaveage

Penny Goodwin  
Jill Dayton

#### **Fourth Tuesday**

Amie McNiven  
Telisa Griffith

Jen Otto

#### **Fourth Wednesday**

Tiffany Winkler  
Bryanna Vega

Charity Vale

#### **Fourth Thursday**

Marily Blackburn  
Linda Minogue

Leslie Hutchinson  
Barb Jacobson  
Nicole Summers

#### **First Monday**

BJ Lee  
Camern Wyatt

Stephanie Rech  
Jay Gellings

#### **First Tuesday**

Suzanne Lott  
Telisa Griffith

Angie Fehr

#### **First Wednesday**

Susan Anderson

Erin Bishop

#### **First Thursday**

Tim Lambright

Carrie Gove