April 13, 2018

**CASCADE VIEW MISSION STATEMENT**

Cascade View Elementary is a place where people want to learn as part of a world-class education. Our school is a home away from home, an open door, a place of rigor, wellness, and scholarship where students earn an education that matters and where everyone can expect to have an amazing experience. We do what it takes, we do no harm, we set no limits on our potential to learn and grow, we do it like a family, and we LOVE what we do.

**School Calendar:**

- **April 25**  Panther Pals Lunch at CV
- **April 27**  Enrollment Information Forms Due
  Junior Chef Competition at Glacier Peak High School
- **May 3 – 18**  Yearbook Pre-orders
- **May 7 – 25**  SBA Testing
- **May 10**  PTA Meeting
- **May 11**  Moms and Maple Bars
- **May 28**  Memorial Day – No School

**Enrollment Information for 2018-19 School Year**

We are currently working on enrollment and district staff placement for the upcoming 2018-19 school year. An enrollment information form was sent home with students on April 12. This form will help us to make decisions regarding classroom configurations and staffing. Please note, at this time, we are not asking for your input about your child as a learner for classroom placement purposes – we ONLY want to know if you plan to return to Cascade View next year, so that our staffing projections are accurate! Please complete the form and return it to your child’s teacher by Friday, April 27. If you did not receive the form, there are extras in the school office. Thank you!
Registration for 2018-2019

Please pass the word on to friends and family who live in our area – registration for the 2018-2019 school year is now open for all grades Kindergarten through 6th! It’s important to get as many students registered as soon as possible, so we can estimate our enrollment for the year. Thank you!

Choice Transfers (Variances) and In-District Transfers

We are currently accepting Choice Transfers (variances) and In-District Transfers for the 2018-19 school year. If your student is on an In-District or Choice Transfer (variance from another district), please complete a new form for the 2018-19 school year. All decisions are based on capacity. Please ensure your students continued attendance by completing an application, if you have not already done so. This is an annual requirement. In-District Transfer forms can be found on the website at www.sno.wednet.edu or at the district office. If you live outside of the Snohomish School District, please go to your home district and request a Choice Transfer. If you have questions, please contact Sonya Lang, Enrollment & Skyward Services at 360-563-7240.

Para Educator Substitutes Needed

Looking to be a para educator substitute? Interested applicants need one of the three following items: BA or AA from a college or university; 72 quarter or 48 semester college credits; or successfully pass the para pro test with a score of 461. We offer competitive wages ($16.71-$17.65/hour). If you are interested in joining our team, please click here to apply today (listed under Substitute Para Educators). Call 360-563-7647 with questions.
Panther Pals News

The SHS Panther Pals will be visiting Cascade View during lunch and recess on Wednesday, April 25. Contact your Panther Pal and invite them to come and do lunch!

Kids Culinary Competition

Two students from Cascade View have been selected to participate in the Kids Culinary Competition at Glacier Peak High School on April 27 at 2:00pm. Congratulations to Elisha Pacheco and Joseph Soder!

Human Growth and Development

Starting at the end of April, 5th and 6th graders will learn about Human Growth and Development (specifically Puberty and HIV/AIDS Prevention). We would like to invite parents and guardians to attend a district presentation on one of the dates below to learn about what standards, activities, and resources will be addressed and used for the Human Growth and Development lessons. This is also a great opportunity for us to answer questions that parents might have. The presentations will be held in the district office.

District Presentations (select one to presentation to attend):
- March 19 from 6:00-7:00 pm
- March 26 from 6:00-7:00 pm
- April 12 from 6:00-7:00 pm
Pre-Order your 2017-18 Yearbooks in May!

Check out this year’s cover by our Yearbook Coordinator Chris Moores!

Pre-orders will run May 3rd - May 18th!
PTA will sell any remaining yearbooks the last week of the school year. Dates TBA.

Smarter Balance Assessments
SBA testing for 3rd through 6th grade will begin on May 7th. Please make sure that your children are well rested and well-nourished on testing days. We ask that you avoid scheduling appointments or vacations on days that your child is scheduled to test.

PTA Meetings
There is one more PTA meeting scheduled for this school year on Thursday, May 10. The meeting will be at 6:30pm in the Cascade View library.

Moms & Maple Bars
It’s dad’s turn to serve students and their moms a special treat before school! Join us in the Cascade View gym on Friday, May 11 starting at 8am.
Science & Arts Academy – Summer 2018

Inspire the mind and heart through the school district’s Science & Arts Academy! Amazing Race: Snohomish Edition!, Sweet Sugar Science, Video Animation, World Music, Aeronautical Engineering, Readers Theatre, Floral Design, and Babysitting Essentials are just some of the many exciting topics students who will enter grades 1 through 9 may investigate through the district’s summer program. This year’s Science & Arts Academy will run July 2 through July 26 at Snohomish High School (1315 Fifth Street in Snohomish). See the attached flier and please click here for more information about costs and registration.

Reminders

Please send us your photos for the 2017-2018 Yearbook!

You can upload your photos of students & events here:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B8RMPA3PlIw7VE1rQjZiV2F1cTg

Calling All Cascade View Visitor Badges!! Please come home!

Hello, you wonderful parents and volunteers! We are cheerfully requesting that if you happen to have one of our CV visitor badges hanging out in your house, car, purse, kitchen counter or pockets - that you please return them as soon as possible. Our supply has greatly diminished since the beginning of the year and we’re doing a “shout out” before ordering more. 😊 Thank you for your help!

The Office Ladies!
Important Information About Busses!!

As many of you are already aware, our buses are FULL to capacity. At this time, the transportation department has CLOSED ALL BUS PASSES. This means that the school will no longer have the authority to issue temporary bus passes when parents call-in or send notes.

Changes in Sign-up for Newsletter and Weekly Updates!

Our district uses a listserv to send newsletters and other regular electronic communications from our schools and district. This week, our district switched its host for this service as our current host, the State of Washington, will no longer be providing this service as of early December.

We were able to successfully transfer all of our subscribers and their topic preferences (AIM, Cascade-View, Cathcart, Centennial, Central, District-Communications, Dutch-Hill, ECEAP, Emerson, Glacier-Peak, Little-Cedars, Machias, Parent-Partnership, Riverview, Seattle-Hill, Snohomish-High, Totem-Falls and Valley-View) to the new host. The one thing that did not transfer as part of the switch was account passwords.

Current subscribers are asked set passwords. To set a password, go to:

- http://SNOHOMISHSD.ORG/scripts/wa-SNOH.exe?GETPW1

Once you have an account password, you can login to the system to review and change your subscription preferences. To login to review and change your subscription preferences, go to:


If you are not receiving regular communications, you are invited to subscribe. To subscribe, go to:

**School Hours**

**Classroom Hours**
Monday - Thursday - 8:35 a.m.- 3:15 p.m.
Friday - 8:35 a.m.- 1:15 p.m.

**Office Hours**
Monday - Thursday – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Important Arrival and Dismissal Information**

The front doors are unlocked at 8:25 a.m. and students are welcome to enter the building at that time. **Adult supervision begins at 8:20 a.m.** Students that are walking to school or being dropped off by parents should arrive after 8:20 a.m. Exception: Children getting breakfast before school are welcome to enter the gym at 8:10 a.m.

When dropping your children off in the mornings- Please enter our visitor lot and drop your student(s) off along the load/unloading curb in the front of the school. **Please do not use the bus lane in the staff lot or special transportation lanes along the front side of the school.** Thank you for helping us keep the lines moving quickly and safely by pulling all the way up to the front of the drop off area, remaining in your car and having your child(ren) ready to unload from the passenger side of your vehicle. There is absolutely no parking along the curb. Likewise, in the afternoons, please pull forward and wait in your car. Once you have safely dropped off your student, please use the left lane to pass other cars and exit the lot. You are also welcome to park in our visitor lot and walk out front to greet your child(ren).

As always, thank you for your diligence in helping keep our kids safe by honoring the Washington State laws regarding **no cell phone use while operating a vehicle** – especially while on the school campus.

**Bus Riders:**

**Due to the number of students assigned to each bus and the limited amount of seating, we cannot not issue bus passes for children to ride a bus other than the one they are assigned to.**

**If you need to request a permanent bus pass/change – the transportation request forms can be found on the Snohomish School District website or you can pick one up in our main school office.**
Attendance:

If your child will not be at school, please call our Attendance line at 360-563-7070 as soon as possible to excuse your child's absence.

*Please note that you may still receive an automatic attendance call or email if you notify the office after 9 a.m.

Tardy Arrivals:

Attendance is taken at 8:35 a.m. when the bell rings. Students arriving after that will need to come through the office, be signed in by a parent and take a yellow admit slip to their teacher. The purpose of the admit slip is for the office to communicate to the teacher that the student has been signed in and the student's "absence" will be changed to a “tardy.”

Thank you in advance for making every effort to get your children to school on time. In addition to modeling a life-long good habit of punctuality, arriving on time means that your student will not miss out on beginning of the day instructions or distract others' learning by entering late.

*Disconcerting fact: Students that regularly arrive 10 minutes late (or leave 10 minutes early) miss out on 30 hours of learning a year.

Early Dismissals:

Consistent attendance is so important to your child's education, however, we understand that families have appointments and occasional events that sometimes conflict with the school schedule. If you need to pick your student up before school lets out, please come into the office to sign your student out before 3:00pm Monday-Thursday or before 12:45 p.m. on Fridays. We will not be calling students down during the last 15 minutes of school (the last 30 minutes on Fridays).

Thank you for doing what you can to schedule appointments and extra-curricular activities around the school schedule! By prioritizing school, it emphasizes to kids how valuable education is! 😊

**Please note that a "tardy" exceeding 30 minutes or an early release more than 30 minutes before dismissal counts as a half day absence in Skyward. Two half-day absences count as 1 full absence in your student's record.
Parent Notes Information

Note Writing:

Written notes to excuse your child's absence, request a parent pick-up pass, or inform the school of any other situations regarding your children's needs (including a change to your child’s end-of-the-day transportation home routine) are seen by the teacher then turned in to the office for appropriate follow up actions.

In order to accurately and quickly assimilate parent communications, Mrs. Byers would so appreciate notes of any kind to include the following information.😊

All Notes Need to Include:

Your child's first and last name
Teacher's name
The date the note is regarding
The action needed (excuse an absence; parent pick-up today, going home with a friend)
*If a Pick-up pass is needed, please also include:
-First and last name of adult picking your child up (if other than parent)

Thank you so much! We are excited to share a fabulous year with you!

Parking Lot and Campus Safety

We live in a world of technology - no doubt! But, when you are operating a vehicle on school grounds we ask that your full attention be on driving - not on your smart phone.

When you pick up your student(s) from school, put down your smart phone and take that time to check in with them! Ask them how their day went. Remember, these moments with your kids are precious and before you know it, they’ll be grown up. And, they are watching and learning from you, mom and dad! We continue to have incidents of unawareness while driving that have caused some near-misses, rolling into crosswalks while children are crossing and caused delays in the parent pick-up lines while folks are on their phones. Thank you for being diligent in prioritizing and modeling safety to and for our students!
**Special Transportation Bus Lane**

Please be aware that the car lane that runs in front of the school (parallel with Park Avenue) is for our Special Transportation busses. Many of the students riding these busses require assistance to load on and off the bus. **Please do not park, drop off or pick up your students in that bus lane. Please use the parent pick-up and drop-off lane in front of the school.** Thank you so much for your understanding and cooperation!

**A Friendly Reminder from the Main Office~**

When making appointments for your children, it would be ideal if you would schedule them with the intent that they miss *as little school as possible*. If you still need to pick them up during the school day, please send a note with your student letting us know what time you will arrive. This minimizes searching for them during recesses or lunchtime.

**Please note that the last 15 minutes of each day** is a time dedicated to the dismissal process. We ask that you do not come in to excuse your student for an early release during this time (Emergencies being an exception, of course).

Any calls made to the office to alter your child’s transportation home must be made before this time in order to ensure the pass can be made and delivered to your student.

**Dogs on Campus**

Please read the attached district policy regarding animals in schools and buildings. Cascade View does not allow dogs on campus. Animals are only allowed inside District schools and buildings or on District property as defined below:

- Service and/or therapy dogs. Service and/or therapy dogs must have current vaccinations, be trained and registered, and kept on leashes or
- Any animals used as part of an instructional program.
Purchasing Meals

Chartwells Food Services is the food service vendor for the Snohomish School District. All students are issued a lunch card. Parents can load money to the card by sending a check to the school with the student’s name clearly marked and made payable to Snohomish School District. You can also load money to the lunch card online through Family Access.

Parents are encouraged to purchase multiple days and to keep a positive balance. Any money sent to the school should be sent in an envelope clearly marked with the child’s name, teacher’s name, and purpose of money.

Free/reduced lunch application forms are available in the office or online at www.sno.wednet.edu. All applications are kept confidential.

Lunch prices remain the same as last year:

- Elementary Breakfast: $1.25
- Elementary Lunch: $2.75
- Adult Lunch: $3.50
- Reduced Breakfast: Free
- Reduced Lunch (Grades 4-12): $0.40
- Reduced Lunch (Grades K-3): Free
- Milk: $0.50

From the Health Room

Cascade View Health Room is in need of Sweat Pants. If you have any clean sweat pants, in good condition, that your child no longer wears, we would love to put them to good use for our students who may need a change of clothes at school. Thank you so much for your generosity!!!

Lauri Walker, Health Room Assistant 360-563-7006
Is Your Child in 5th Grade?

• If so, your child needs the Tdap vaccine that is required for 6th Grade entry. The Tdap vaccine can be given any time after age 11.
• If you have not yet scheduled an appointment for your child to get their Tdap vaccine, please do so today! Don’t wait for the rush at the end of summer! Students cannot start on the 1st day of school in September until this has been cleared with the School Nurse.
• THANK YOU to parents who have already taken your child to get this important vaccine!
• Not sure if your child still needs an immunization? Contact Lauri Walker, Health Room Assistant, at 360-563-7006.
How to Become a Volunteer

Snohomish is known for coming together to support education and our students, and our strength comes from the people who work and volunteer in our schools and across our district. Volunteers have many opportunities to work with children and schools by assisting on the playground, in the classroom or library, as well as tutoring, chaperoning field trips, serving on committees or assisting with school projects and newsletters. An hour of time can make a valuable difference.

This summer, our district streamlined its volunteer process. All volunteer applications and records are now maintained at the district office. As before, approved volunteer applications are valid for two calendar years from date of approval. The district office is maintaining a single database of applications on file (included is date of application and expiration date). Currently, more than 4,000 people are registered as active volunteers in our district. If you are a new volunteer to your child’s school or the district, more information and applications are located at www.sno.wednet.edu/volunteers. Information is also located on every school website under the Community tab of the sites.

Bus Drivers Needed

The district’s Transportation Department is seeking substitute school bus drivers. We offer competitive wages ($20.39-$23.25/hour) and free training for Class B CDL endorsement. The class lasts approximately 3 ½ weeks, and the commercial driver’s license training is free. If you are interested in joining our team, please click here to apply today (listed under Classified - Substitute School Bus Drivers). Call 360-563-3525 with questions.

Fliers: Link to approved community fliers: http://cascadeview.sno.wednet.edu/Domain/425. Feel free to email fliers@sno.wednet.edu with any questions or concerns.