

HILLTOP HUSKIES

November 2020

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Stay Connected

Email: HilltopelemPTSA@gmail.com

Website: <u>www.hilltopptsa.org</u>

Facebook: Facebook.com/hilltopPTSA

"Hilltop Parents Group": facebook.com/groups/ hilltopelementaryparents



Important Dates

PTSA Meeting

Board Meeting Nov 19th @6:30pm

Zoom link will be posted on PTSA Calendar: HilltopPTSA.Org

Early Release Days

Nov 2nd-6th (Conference Week) Nov. 18th (Early Release)

Non-School Days

Nov. 11th (Veteran's Day) Nov. 25th-27th (Thanksgiving Break)

Nov. Curbside Pick-up

Thursday, Nov. 5th (Kindergarten/1st Grade) Thursday, Nov. 12th (2nd, 4th, 6th Grade) Thursday, Nov 19th (Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 5th Grade)

**Library Books can be picked up on any Thursday from 2-5pm

All dates will be from 2pm-5pm



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Hilltop Families,

Thank you for taking the time to participate in parent-teacher conferences this week. We value the partnership we have with parents. We are excited, also, to celebrate Veterans Day next week with a virtual version of what is traditionally one of our favorite assemblies of the year. Classrooms will watch the virtual assembly during the school day on November 12th. We will include pictures of Veteran's from the Hilltop community. If you would like us to include a picture of a family veteran, please upload it here.

I am so proud of our students. As I spend time in different classrooms, I see how eager our students are to participate in lessons that grab their attention and make them think. I see even more of this in the small group instruction, when just a few kids get the teacher attention that many students crave. I am sure, like me, you have chuckled a bit this fall at the funny things you've heard students say or the creative ways in which they express their ideas.

We appreciate how that even when our parents might want to jump into the conversation, they hold back and let the students have their class time with their teacher. If your child has a question, encourage them to raise their hand and ask the teacher. If you have any thoughts or questions, feel free to send an email to the teacher, so they can give you a call or respond to your email. Like never before, this type of remote learning takes a village. The teachers and I appreciate how you are supporting your children by reminding them to do the activities and read the announcements in Seesaw and Canvas.

Many of you are wondering when the in-person hybrid option will begin. As of now, we know that our Developmental Kindergarten will be the first class to have students in person at Hilltop as part of Stage 1. At that time, our campus will be closed in the daytime to the public walking on our grounds to keep our students safe. We will post signs to let the public know when the campus is closed. Stage 2, which includes the return of Kindergarten-2nd grade students who selected the in-person model, will start in January <u>or later</u>, based on what the health department allows. Find more details about the district's stages for in-person learning <u>here</u>.

Please reach out with any questions, Melissa Somoza, Principal SomozaM341@edmonds.wednet.edu

T-Shirt Contest

Congratulations Marina!

Marina's design was the winner for our 2020-2021 t-shirt contest. This design will be printed on a t-shirt a given to every student and staff member at Hilltop. Marina is in Mr. Randall's 5th grade class. Way to Go!

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Winner is...

We still need t-shirt sizes from many students. Please click here to let us know: https://forms.gle/PYotn54tYM6tqDYz7



Marina

Young



Meghan Rogers Mrs. Carey 2nd Grade





Jackson Wallis Mr. Randall 5th Grade

Husky High-Fives

We had so many incredible entries, and would like to recognize each student who submitted artwork. Great work Hilltop artists!



Kieran Maxey Kindergarten (Swartz)



Sophia Johnson & Mr. Johnson 1st (Hudson)



Emerson Dobbs 1st (Tom)



Evie McCourt 2nd (Stillwaugh)



Hudson Amos Lewis-3rd (Kempf)



Bellian Ephrem 2nd (Stillwaugh)



Chloe Chinn 3rd (Kempf)



Charlie Bahr 3rd (Kempf)



Eliana Ephrem 3rd (Kempf)



Lilly Dunaway 3rd (Correa)



Alina Bower 3rd (Kempf)

Husky High-Fives



STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

THE HILLTOP PTSA IS THANKING OUR AWESOME EDUCATORS WITH A CATERED LUNCH FROM PANERA

SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE STAFF MEMBER BY TREATING THEM TO LUNCH!

DONATE A STAFF LUNCH ONLINE AT: <u>HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/HTSTAFFLUNCH</u>

QUESTIONS? HILLTOPELEMPTSA@GMAIL.COM *ALL STAFF WILL RECEIVE LUNCH AND ANY REMAINING FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TOWARD THE PTSA GENERAL FUND

Family Resources

Family in Need? We can help!



We want to connect you with school and district resources. Please fill out this form.

https://forms.gle/JgVkw9dvfbucjPVP9



Grab Go meals available - Comidas para llevar disponible

*Grab n Go meal sites are essential activities for our community and will continue during Gov. Inslee's "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order for all of Washington State.

Grab and Go meals are available – Every Thursday at Hilltop 11:45am-12:45pm 7 days of FREE breakfast and lunch packaged together. No paperwork or pre-orders are needed. Any child 1-18 can get free breakfast/lunch at a site

Please click on the link below for more information and for additional pick-up locations and times:

Edmonds School District Food Service



Family Resources

Join the Hilltop Equity Team

Our Hilltop Equity team is growing. If you are interested in growing in your understanding of equity and/or in sharing your own experiences with our team, please complete the form found at the link below. Edmonds School District uses an equity team model to increase cultural competence and empower families in an effort to reduce inequities in school, particularly for those communities that have historically been underserved. All parents/guardians are invited to join.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfv5-SfXkDKAKHz7hXjD9nzJCVxCjuI7ACWeYZvSgbKu5-osA/viewform?usp=sf_link







Free Pre-school Programs

2020-2021 School Year

Family Pre-K at various school locations

- For 4 and 5 year olds, during the year before they enter kindergarten
- Focuses on six developmental areas: literacy, language, math, cognitive, motor, and social-emotional
- 2-hour sessions twice a week
- Starts in October, morning and afternoon sessions available
- Parents or guardian MUST attend with child
- Provides coaching and strategies for parents to help prepare children for kindergarten
- No income requirement, open to children who are NOT attending other preschool/ child care programs

To register, please call (425) 431-1018 or email: pre-k@edmonds.wednet.edu

Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP) at Mountlake Terrace Elementary and Lynndale Elementary Schools

- · For income-eligible children 3 4 years old
- Play-based activities that support reading/ writing, language, math, art, science, and social skills
- Health and developmental screenings
- Nutritious meals
- · Connections to community resources
- Family fun nights
- Half-day classes available
- Online option available

Washington State Department of CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES



For enrollment Information, please call: (425) 431-3339 or (425) 431-3348 email: eceap@edmonds.wednet.edu

* Please share this with your family and friends *

Seguimos aceptando aplicaciones



Gratis! Programas Preescolares Ciclo Escolar 2020-2021

Prekínder en familiaen varias escuelas

- Para niñas(os) de 4 y 5 años, durante el año antes de entrar al kínder
- Con enfoque en seis áreas del desarrollo: Alfabetización, lenguaje, matemática, cognitiva, motriz y socioemocional
- Sesiones de 2 horas, dos veces a la semana
- Inicio en octubre. Disponibilidad de sesiones matutinas y vespertinas
- Madres, padres o tutores DEBEN asistir
- con estudiantes
- Brinda entrenamiento y estrategias a la familia para preparar a los estudiantes para el kínder
- Sin necesidad de comprobar ingresos. Disponible para estudiantes que NO asisten a otro programa de preescolar o cuidado infantil

Para inscripciones Llame al (425) 431-1018 o email: pre-k@edmonds.wednet.edu

Early Childhood Education & Assistance Program (ECEAP) at Mountlake Terrace Elementary and Lynndale Elementary Schools

- Para niñas(os) de 3-4 años de edad que son elegibles de acuerdo con los ingresos de la familia
- Actividades basadas en juegos que ayudan a la lectura, escritura, matemática, arte, ciencia y habilidades sociales
- Examinaciones de salud y desarrollo
- Alimentos nutritivos
- · Conexiones con recursos en la comunidad
- Divertidas noches familiares
- Clases de medio día disponibles
- Opción en línea disponible





Para información sobre inscripciones Llame al (425) 431-3339 o (425) 431-3348 email: eceap@edmonds.wednet.edu

* Por favor, comparta esto con su familia y amigos *



Edmonds School District partners with local Spanish radio stations





M Radio Live: Download the App for free to listen from your phone (Available on both Apple and Android devices) and free live streaming through <u>https://mradiolive.com/</u>

El Rey 1360 AM: Listen live through https://www.elrey1360seattle.com/

Tune in for the latest ESD news and updates regarding re-entry, learning support for remote instruction, and resources available to families including meal assistance and childcare services.

Please check our ESD social media channels for the upcoming schedules and latest updates!









El distrito escolar de Edmonds se asocia con estaciones de radio locales en español





M Radio Live: descargue la aplicación de forma gratuita para escuchar desde su teléfono (disponible en dispositivos Apple y Android) y transmisión en vivo gratis a través de <u>https://mradiolive.com/</u>

El Rey 1360 AM: Escucha en vivo https://www.elrey1360seattle.com/

Sintonice las últimas noticias y actualizaciones del Distrito de Edmonds sobre el reingreso a las escuelas, el apoyo al aprendizaje para la instrucción desde casa y los recursos disponibles para las familias, como la asistencia con las comidas y los servicios de cuidado infantil.

¡Consulte nuestros canales de redes sociales del Distrito de Edmonds para conocer los próximos horarios y las últimas actualizaciones!







@EdmondsSchools



The district is excited to announce they have just started using Peachjar to send school-approved digital flyers home to our families. This means that you will receive flyers via email and can view them on our school's website by clicking the Peachjar button. Here is the direct link to Hilltops page:

https://app.peachjar.com/flyers/all/schools/31969

Flyers for school events, college prep, open houses, and after school programs are just a handful of the types of valuable resources that will be delivered through Peachjar. We know how impactful school activities and after school programs are for student achievement, and we're thrilled to be able to connect our families to even more opportunities to help our students succeed.

Only school-approved flyers will be distributed, and no further action is required to begin receiving Peachjar flyers. If you wish to manage your account preferences, such as delivery frequency, log in to Peachjar using the details provided to you in an email from the district that was sent out at the end of October.

FUNDraisers



Help us earn donations while you shop! It all adds up!

- 1. Start at www.smile.amazon.com
- 2. Set your charity to: Hilltop Elementary PTSA
- It will say we are in Tacoma, as that is where our "parent" PTSA is physically located... it is still our Hilltop!



1. Go to

https://www.fredmeyer.com/account/communityrewards

- 2. Login to your Fred Meyer account.
- 3. Search for the organization by name (Hilltop Elementary
- PTSA) or the Organization Number CS004



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. **You can still clip these and send them to school.** Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date.





THE ALL-NEW BOX TOPS IS HERE! DOWNLOAD THE APP:



Spirit Wear



Have you gotten your spiritwear yet? The PTSA has partnered with **1st Place Spiritwear** to handle all your spirit wear needs. There are many options and styles to choose from. They have t-shirts, sweatshirts, tanktops, clothing just for our special teachers and even masks. You can order at anytime and items are shipped directly to your home.

Visit our page today:

https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/WA/Lynnwood/Hilltop+Elementary+School



PTSA Membership Form



Hilltop Elementary PTSA Council 7.2.55 JOIN THE PTSA PACK

Due to Covid 19, online registration is highly preferred (no service fee!)! Go to http://hilltopptsa.org/Home or scan the QR code to the right. If you prefer to fill out a form, please complete the information below, place it in an envelope with your child's name and teacher and place it in the box outside the main office of the school. Questions? email us at: HilltopElemPTSA@gmail.com



2020-2021 Membership

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can make a difference!

District Calendar



2020-2021 Family and Community Calendar

Please note: There is also a staff specific version of the 2020-2021 school year calendar.

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