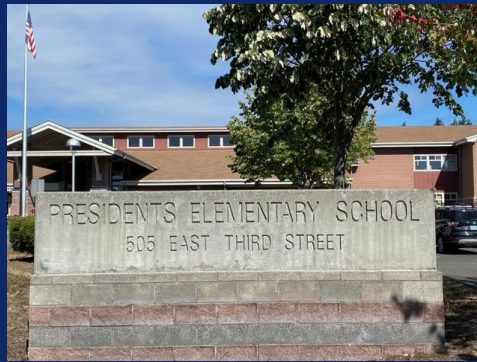


SEPTEMBER 2023

PRESIDENTS ELEMENTARY FAMILY NEWS



Hello Panther Families!

We are so excited to welcome our students and families back to school for the 2023-2024 school year! We had a great turnout for Open House on August 31st, thank you for attending. Our first full day for students is Wednesday, September 6th, with the exception of Kindergarten who have Slow Start Days and Preschool, which starts September 11th.



For security reasons parents must have a scheduled volunteer time and be cleared through [SafeVisitor](#) in order to enter the building. This includes the first day of school. We will have a photo opportunity set up outside for those first day pictures!

Reminders:

- [Breakfast & Lunch Free/Reduced Forms](#)
- Breakfast & Lunch [Menus](#)
- [School Supplies](#)
- Dress for the weather! We go out to recess unless there is thunder and lightening or the air quality doesn't allow
- Use Skyward or call the Attendance line at 360-618-6240 to excuse absences
- [Click here for this year's Student Handbook](#)

Parent Pick-Up and Drop Off Procedures:

STUDENT DROP-OFF

- Drop-off location is either front parking lot.
- Pull up as far as you can to allow students to get out directly on the sidewalk, this means cars in the West parking lot should pull up as far as the pre-school playground.
- Only let students out on the passenger side of the vehicle.
- Students will move directly from their car to the nearest sidewalk and then walk into the building.

DISMISSAL ROUTINES

At dismissal, car riders have 3 choices:

1) Parent Pick-Up Drive-Thru: In the West parking lot ONLY, please pull forward and a staff member will pull your child from the line and will release them to your vehicle.

2) Parent Pick-Up Flagpole: Parents line up behind the white line and raise hand to connect with student(s). Once an adult has line of sight, they will release student(s) to their parent.

3) Parent Escorted Pick-Up: Parents park their vehicle in the East parking lot, walk to the flagpole, pick-up their child, and escort them to their own vehicles. Parents must exit their vehicle to ensure the safety of all.

We are looking forward to a great year. Thanks for sharing your kids with us!

Jamie Miller
Presidents Principal

Map of Traffic Flow for Arrival/Dismissal



We NEED You!!!

Reasons to **JOIN**:

- Meet other families
- Your voice matters!
- Helps fund school programs



PTA Meetings will be held in the School Library and are also available via [Zoom](#).

PTA Meetings for the year:

- 9/26/2023 @6:30PM
- 11/28/2023 @6:30PM
- 1/30/2024 @6:30PM
- 3/26/2024 @6:30PM
- 6/4/2024 @6:30PM



Hispanic Heritage Month: Every year we celebrate the contributions of Americans whose families descend from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean and South and Central America. When Hispanic Heritage Month was first introduced in 1968 it was only a week, but it was expanded into a month to be more inclusive.

Character Trait Monthly Focus: **COOPERATION**

Students will learn about working together and helping others.

