

The Olympic Viewer

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The Cougar's Den Principal's Message

Dear OLV Families,

Growth Mind Set and Perseverance

Olympic View is building a culture of Growth Mind Set and Perseverance! Growth Mind Set states that, *people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Virtually all great people have had these qualities* (Dweck, 2016). Perseverance is doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

At Olympic View, we are teaching our Scholars strategies to help foster a "Growth Mind Set" and persevere through challenges.

- Praising Scholars for effort and persistence
- Refraining from using praise such as "You are so smart!" Rather we point out specifically what they are doing. Examples of SPECIFIC praise include;
 - "You wrote nonstop through the entire writing period. I appreciate your hard work."
 - "You have been trying so hard to learn those new words and now you are able to read the whole story!"
 - "Since you have been doing all your math homework, you have brought up your grade!"
- When tasks are too easy, we offer more challenges and offer ways to persevere through.

These are areas where you can help your child as well. By offering authentic praise for your child rather than focusing on intelligence, we can build confidence in all of our Olympic View Scholars.

At the end of January, the school year will be at the halfway point with report cards coming out in early February and Scholar-led Conferences in early March. If you feel that a conference is necessary in the next several weeks, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher directly. We value parent/family voice and the partnerships we are building.

In closing I, again, thank you for entrusting the OLV staff with your most precious treasure...your child; an Olympic View Student Scholar. Often I make school-wide announcements during our morning routine or on the intercom. Recently I have been challenging our scholars to "never give up" and to work at reading at home on Early Release days and the weekend. Often times I ask them how they are going to be respectful and responsible over the weekend, however, these announcements serve a specific and singular purpose; to ensure that they have a Voice, a Dream and BRIGHT future.

In partnership, Chris McCrummen - Honored Principal of the OLV Family

Upcoming Events

January 14

Board Meeting from 6-8 pm

January 15

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

January 16

PTA Monthly Meeting from 4 pm

January 20

No School: MLK Day

January 23

Ready K! from 4:30 to 6 pm

January 24

Family Lunch and Recess Day – call the office for your scholar's lunch time

January 29

In It Together from 4:30 to 6:30 pm

January 31

No School: Semester Break



In It Together is a Family Partnership Academy where families are invited to attend one night a week for five weeks. During these sessions we work together to discuss and practice authentic partnership strategies linked to student scholar success.

Please join us on Wednesday evenings from 4:30 to 6:30 beginning on January 29th. We value our partnership with the community and are looking forward to working together. Childcare and a light dinner will be provided.

If you have questions regarding In It Together, please contact Mrs. Pena at 253-945-3525 or stop by our office for further inquiries.



Bright Futures Kindergarten



Welcome to our new Bright Future's Kindergarten scholars and families! BFK is an opportunity for children not in a formal preschool or daycare setting to get a jumpstart on school readiness by attending school for a semester prior to Kindergarten. We'd like to welcome Mrs. Moyer as the BFK teacher! Questions about Bright Future's Kindergarten? Please contact Rosa Pena at 253-945-3525 or stop by our office!



2020-2021 Kindergarten Registration

Online kindergarten registration for the 2020-21 school will open on January 21, 2020. Families can visit:

<https://www.fwps.org/Page/7199> to complete registration. Please remember that your child must be 5 years old on or before August 31st, 2020.

If you have any questions please stop by the office or call us at 253-945-3500.

End of Semester Report Cards

The end of January brings about our end of semester. Report cards will be sent home with your scholars early February. Please make sure to check your child's backpacks for these.

Join us! Standards-Based Grading and Reporting Family Forum



A grade is the ultimate form of feedback to a student and it must be accurate. As a result, Federal Way Public Schools (FWPS) is working diligently to ensure every scholar's grade is accurate.

We have important information to share with you about the new principles of grading and report cards, and enhanced communication to ensure greater transparency and partnership with families. We also would like you to attend one of the forums to provide valuable feedback.

- February 5, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm at Todd Beamer High School, 35999 16th Avenue S., Federal Way 98003
- April 22, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm at the Educational Service Center, 33330 8th Ave S. Federal Way 98003

Light refreshments will be provided. Spanish, Korean, Russian, Ukrainian and Somali interpreters will also be available.

If you have questions about SBGR in FWPS, contact us at (253) 945-2126 or visit www.fwps.org/SBGR.



¡Únete a nosotros! Foro de familia sobre calificaciones e informes basados en estándares

Una calificación es la mejor forma de retroalimentación para un estudiante y debe ser precisa. Como resultado, las Escuelas Públicas de Federal Way (FWPS) están trabajando diligentemente para garantizar que la calificación de cada estudiante sea precisa.

Tenemos información importante para compartir con usted sobre los nuevos principios de calificación y boletas de calificaciones, y una comunicación mejorada para garantizar una mayor transparencia y asociación con las familias. También nos gustaría que asista a uno de los foros para proporcionar comentarios valiosos.

- 5 de febrero, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm en Todd Beamer High School, 35999 16th Avenue S., Federal Way 98003
- 22 de abril, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm en el Centro de Servicios Educativos, 33330 8th Ave S. Federal Way 98003

Se proporcionarán refrigerios ligeros. También estarán disponibles intérpretes de español, coreano, ruso, ucraniano y somalí.

Tiene preguntas sobre SBGR en FWPS, contáctenos al (253) 945-2126 o visite www.fwps.org/SBGR.

****Important Information****

Birthday Party Protocol



1. One store bought treat per student and/or 1 box/pouch drink per child. **2. Please have the following items at home as they can distract from academic learning at OLV: pizza, sheet cakes, decorations, balloons, party favors and piñatas.** 3. Happy to celebrate your child's birthday, however, please provide teachers at least 2 days' notice. Be mindful that our purpose is for each student to focus on their education. 4. Birthday treats may be left in the office so that each teacher will be able to find the best time in their schedule to celebrate.

Arriving On Time is Important!!

Our school start time is 9:10 am. Students arriving after that time must come to the office for a tardy slip. *Breakfast is served from 8:45-9:00am.



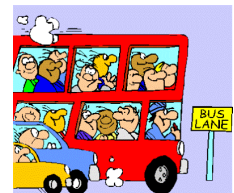
Early Student Pick Up



If your child is going to leave early, please send a note to their teacher or call the office. You will need to sign them out at the office. Please allow a few extra minutes when picking them up, in case their class has to be located. We will not call your child to the office until you have arrived. We are protecting their learning time. To preserve student learning time for our student scholars, Olympic View office will not be honoring any early releases after 3:15pm.

Changing Your Scholar's After School Pick-Up Routine

Any changes on how your child will be going home after school must be called in by 3:00 pm. Any calls made after 3:00 pm might not get to the student before dismissal time. Please help us ensure that your child gets their messages by calling in by 3:10 pm.



Dressing Appropriately for Recess



It is our policy to have children go outside for recess as much as possible. Your child will go outside for recess in the rain and cold – please dress them appropriately for the weather. Please watch for cold, rainy days... students should come to school with sweaters/coats, mittens, good shoes, and hats on those days.

The Health Room **does not** have extra clothes for children who get wet or muddy at recess. All students have been told not to play in the puddles & grass field (when it's muddy & wet) at recess, but sometimes they still do. If they do not have a change of clothes with them they will have to continue through the rest of the day wet – we will not make calls home to get clothes brought to your child. **Please pack a change of clothes in your child's backpack for such emergencies.**

Umbrellas are discouraged at school because of the problems they can create, they are not allowed out on the playground due to safety reasons.



Olympic View PTA



January 2020

Hello Olympic View families and scholars, we hope you had a wonderful winter break. The PTA has some great events coming soon.

We are always looking for members and volunteers. Please stop by and pick up a membership form and join the PTA and help make this year more memorable for you and your families.

EVENTS TO REMEMBER

- ★ Cookie Day Wednesday January 8th (**6 cookie limit**)
 - \$0.75 for 1 cookie or \$2 for 3 cookies
- ★ PTA Meeting Thursday January 16th 4pm
- ★ Free Dress Day Friday January 17th
 - \$1 for free dress
- ★ Popcorn Day Wednesday January 22nd (**4 bag limit**)
 - \$0.50 for 1 bag or \$1 for 2 bags
- ★ Skate Night Monday February 10th 6pm-8pm

If you have any questions, concerns or ideas, email: olvptafedway@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Olympic-View-PTA-Cougars-2169071903421040/>

A successful PTA equals participation. We appreciate your support!

PTA is a school association run by parents and teachers to discuss matters that affect our children; and to organize events to raise money for our school. PTA is an abbreviation for parent-teacher association.

Together we can do so much!