

# The Olympic Viewer

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## The Cougar's Den Principal's Message

Dear Dear OLV families,

On September 3rd our Olympic View Scholars walked through the doors and embarked on the 2019-20 school-year, and I am so excited about this year!

As you know, Federal Way has the motto: "Every Scholar, a Voice, a Dream, and a Bright Future." At OLV, we are committed to ensuring every student achieves at the highest level. Our theme at OLV this year is "Be the Difference," and our commitment is to ensure that every adult in our student's lives makes a difference.

**Safety:** Safety is a top priority in Federal Way and here at Olympic View. At Open House we discussed the many ways the district is committed to provide a safe learning environment for all Scholars. Among these are; Positive Behavior Reinforcements, building relationships with every Scholar, a new computer filtering system designed to identify concerns online, and an emphasis on safety drills.

**Formative Assessment:** At Olympic View we provide every student with high quality engaging instruction. This year, we are focusing on Formative Assessment. Formative assessment is when your child's teacher checks for understanding during each lesson. Our teachers check the learning frequently and then provide specific feedback to ensure high levels of learning.

**State of Education:** Are you interested in how we're doing in Federal Way Public Schools? You're invited to learn more about the State of Education in FWPS at a community-focused event on October 22, 2019 at 6 p.m., at Federal Way High School, following the regular board meeting. From 6-6:45 p.m., you will have the opportunity to explore booths hosted by scholars from each school in the district, as well as college and career resources, early learning information, school construction information and more! At 6:45, Superintendent Dr. Tammy Campbell will provide an update on the State of Education in Federal Way Public Schools, sharing what's working well, as well as those areas FWPS is seeking to improve.

In closing I 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. Often times, I challenge our scholars to listen to themselves, their teacher and their parents. 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 a BRIGHT future.

In partnership,

Chris McCrummen

Honored Principal of the OLV Family

## Upcoming Events

### October 9

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

### October 11

No School: Staff P/D Day

### October 18

Health Screenings

### October 29

Fall Picture Retake Day

### October 30

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

### November 7 & 8

No School: Scholar Led Conferences

### November 11

No School: Veterans Day

### November 20

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

### November 27

Early Dismissal for Thanksgiving Break – Time TBD

### November 28 & 29

No School: Thanksgiving Break



## A Note from Your PTA

A **PTA** is a school association run by some of the parents and teachers to discuss matters that affect the children and to organize events to raise money. **PTA** is an abbreviation for parent-teacher association.

### Together we can do so much!

Our PTA is excited to announce that we have a new **PRESIDENT**; Lyndzey Braunagel. Mayrani Romero has also accepted the position as Treasurer. Elisha Christenson is returning as the Vice President, along with Elodia Romero as Secretary. With the new Board, we are going to strive to be the best we can be. Our goal is happiness! We will be coordinating with Principal McCrummen and Assistant Principal Dysart to collaborate fun activities for the school year. Look out for fliers and Dojo posts advertising what's to come. For October, we're going to focus on **Breast Cancer Awareness!**

Our next PTA meeting will be, Tuesday October 22nd at 4:00. We are in need of volunteers. The help we need will range from baking cookies, helping with the Cougar Store and fundraiser planning and distribution. Look for a suggestion box in the office, and like always, if you have any questions, concerns and/or ideas, email; [olvptafedway@gmail.com](mailto:olvptafedway@gmail.com). A successful PTA equals participation. We appreciate your support!

### Reminder from the Office

Letters have gone home with scholars that are still missing: birth certificates, immunization records and proof of address. It is vital that those documents are turned into the office immediately. Further, if your child has a health concern that you did not indicate on their health history form, please stop by the office to relay that information to our nurse or health room assistant. We are here to support your children and your families, so having a rundown on your children's health history is imperative. We cannot fully support you or them without it.



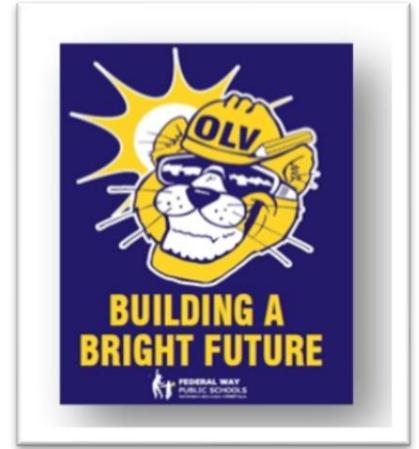
### From the Music Room



Olympic View scholars are off to a musical start this fall! All grades have been increasing their comfort in singing independently and creating their own musical ideas. Our first concert of the year is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and will feature Grades 1 and 4, and Mrs. Arlt's K-2 class.

Extracurricular arts activities have opened up for grades 2-5 during their first recess as well. Any student in grades 2-5 can choose to participate in Hip Hop Dance Club or Choir for their grade level during 1 recess a week respectively.

-Ms. Thompson



### Family Lunch & Recess Day

We have monthly Family Lunch & Recess Days where we invite the adults in our scholar's lives to come to OLV and enjoy lunch with them, then go out to the playground and play together during recess. Our next Family Lunch & Recess Day will be on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Lunch times are: K&1 @ 11:10 am, 3&5 @ 11:40 am, and 2&4 @ 12:10 pm. \*Adults need to provide their own lunches.



### No Costumes on Halloween

Scholars are not allowed to wear costumes to school on Halloween. If worn to school we will have them call home to get a uniform brought to school. Any questions about this please call the office at 253-945-3500.



### Fall Picture Retakes

Picture retakes are on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> – if your scholar will be getting their picture retaken they can be in free dress this day. In order to get the retake they need to bring the photos bought in the packaging it was given to you in.

## **\*\*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 3:10pm.

### **Changing Your Scholars 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 3:00 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.

## DiscoverU Week: October 14-18, 2019

Federal Way Public Schools scholars from Pre-K-12th grade will participate in **DiscoverU**, a college and career initiative, during the week of October 14-18, 2019. **DiscoverU** is an exciting time for students to engage in fun, educational activities and conversations that help them explore career interests and learn about the education and skills needed to get there. Each day will have a theme, design activity, photo booth, and fun conversation around college and career readiness. If you have any questions about DiscoverU week, please reach out to OLV's school counselor Ms. Jacoway.

*\*Ms. Jacoway will be sending out emails on what design activities are available for teaching in the classroom.*



### MONDAY:

**Discover Local Jobs:** Washington state employers will open 740,000 new jobs by 2021. Let's make sure our students know about what opportunities are available to them locally.

### TUESDAY:

**Lead Your Community:** Today is all about building a better community. Introduce students to community-oriented work or connect them to leadership opportunities in their neighborhoods and outside of the classroom.

### WEDNESDAY:

**Classroom to Career:** Students sometimes wonder, "Why do I need to learn this?" Today, take time to show your students how classroom content connects to local careers.

### THURSDAY:

**College Gear Day!** Show school pride by wearing your college's gear and sharing college knowledge!

### FRIDAY:

**Flash Forward Friday!** What do students see when they look into their futures? To Cap off DiscoverU week, set up activities for students to share their visions. **Students will be able to dress up as their desired future career such as: Lawyer, Doctor, Teacher, Scientist, Basketball Player, Football player, Singer, Actor and etc.**

