

The Olympic Viewer

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The Cougar's Den Principal's Message

Dear Dear OLV families,

We hope that you had a fantastic summer. As we near the beginning of our upcoming 2019-2020 school year, I am excited for the opportunities for learning, growth, and leadership that await all our scholars.

At Olympic View we have great teachers who have spent much of August preparing classrooms that are welcoming and highly engaging for all scholars. Our teachers use research based best practices and analyze academic data to ensure all scholars are successful. Teachers meet weekly to collaborate, share experiences and expertise during Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). We dedicate ourselves in this work with one goal in mind: increasing student success.

We have high expectations for all scholars. OLV is in its third year of Positive Behavior Interventions & Support (PBIS). Our expectations for scholars are: BE RESPONSIBLE, BE SAFE, AND BE RESPECTFUL. We recognize scholars who model these expectations daily and monthly with cougar paw drawings, monthly Capable Cougar assemblies, and class and school incentives.

Breakfast starts at 8:45 and school begins promptly at 9:10. We start the day in the gym with morning announcements. If your scholar is late please escort them to the office to check in as they will be marked tardy and need a pass. Safety is a priority in the Federal Way School District. If you are visiting OLV please stop by the office and get a visitor pass.

When dropping off or picking up scholars please pull up past the cones (near the music portable). For safety reasons, please do not pass on the left side of cars waiting.

We value family partnerships and have many opportunities to volunteer at Olympic View. Please come by the office and fill out a volunteer form/background check if you are interested in volunteering. OLV's PTA is another way to get involved always looking for new members.

Once again, welcome back! Let's make it another great year of successful learning and growth!

In partnership,

Chris McCrummen, Principal

Upcoming Events

September 3

First Day of School for grades 1-5 @ 9:10 am - breakfast doors will open @ 8:45 am; Kindergarten Orientations

September 6

First Day of School for Kindergarten @ 9:10 am

September 18

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

September 19

Open House 5:00-6:30 pm

September 24

Fall Picture Day – more info. about this in the "Coming Soon" column

September 25

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

September 27

Family Lunch & Recess Day – more info. about this in the "Coming Soon" column

October 9

Early Release @ 2:10 pm

October 11

No School: District PD Day

Join our Olympic View PTA Team!!!



Your Olympic View PTA is in need of board members! Our president and treasurer seats are vacant and we will not be able to operate this year without a full board. What does that mean to OLV? Well, it means that there will be no popcorn and cookie days and no funds for field trips. Besides the board seats our PTA is always looking for volunteers to assist with the various events they hold for your scholars throughout the year, for example, popcorn and cookie days can only work if there are enough volunteers to make it possible, so please consider joining. If you are interested you can inquire at the office for a membership form or please plan on coming out to our first PTA meeting on September 27th to learn more about the open board seats. Thank you!

Online Verification

On August 1st all families were asked to verify their scholar's enrollment using their ParentVue account. Online Verification is more efficient for families as you enter everything online rather than filling out multiple yellow emergency cards if you have more than one scholar in FWPS. As the year progresses, please make sure you always keep the office up-to-date with your current phone numbers and addresses. It is critical to have your correct information on file so we can better take care of your scholars here at school. You can take care of this by visiting: <https://www.fwps.org/Page/4926> & if you have any questions about this, please contact the office. We thank you for your cooperation!!



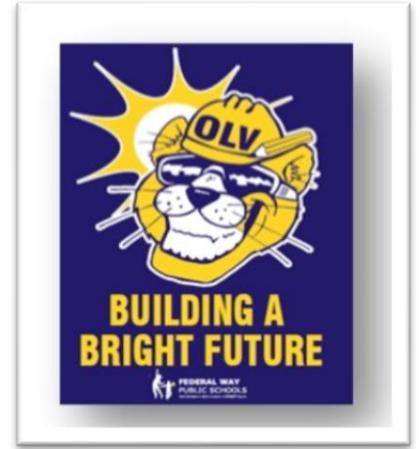
A Note from the Nurse, Mrs. Dorsett



If your scholar requires medication at school a parent or guardian needs to bring it in with doctor's orders and the medication needs to be in the original packaging. We cannot accept medication from minor children and you can't, for example, send your scholar with a few pills in a Ziplock baggie. Also, please let me know about any allergies or concerns you have about your child! It is imperative to have this information so we can best take care of them while they are here at school. You can call me at 253-945-3509, or email me at bdorsett@fwps.org with any questions or concerns.

Also, as of July 28, 2019, a new state law removes the personal and philosophical option to exempt children from the MMR vaccine required for school and child care attendance. Medical and religious exemptions are not affected by this new law. Based on this new law, you will need to provide updated immunization paperwork at or before the start of the 2019-20 school year, starting on September 3, 2019. Children without a medical or religious exemption will need two doses of MMR vaccine to be allowed into school.

You can find more information at the Washington State Department of Health exemption law change web page, including FAQs at: www.doh.wa.gov/mmrexemption



COMING SOON!

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 first Family Lunch & Recess Day will be on September 27th. Lunch times are: K&1 @ 11:10 am, 3&5 @ 11:35 am, and 2&4 @ 12:05 pm. *Adults need to provide their own lunches.



Picture Day

Fall Picture Day is on September 24th. Please send your scholar to school with an order form completely filled out and with payment included to ensure that their time slot with the photographer runs smoothly.

Uniforms are not required to be worn this day, but please make sure your scholar is dressed appropriately for school as they will still participate in PE/recesses.



****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 the 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.