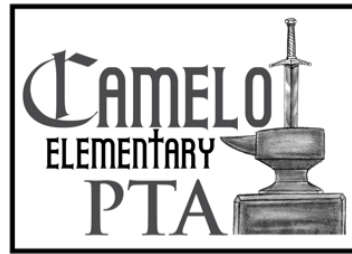


## Camelot PTA News

**BOX TOPS:** Collection sheets were sent home February 1st. Box Tops are due back by Thursday 22. The class that collects the most Box Tops will win a class party along with the AMAZING Box Tops trophy! Our goal is \$1,000.00 this year. We need \$550.90 to reach our goal, so please ask everyone you know to collect box tops for Camelot. Every Box Top helps us reach our goal. The funds raised will be used for Student Experience Projects.



**CAMELOT'S CARNIVAL & AUCTION:** Save the date for May 18<sup>th</sup>! The best PTA event all year!

Do you have an employer, friend, neighbor or family member that might be willing to donate a prize to our auction or raffle? Stop by the office or email [Camelotptarocks@gmail.com](mailto:Camelotptarocks@gmail.com) for a donation letter or procurement form.

A HUGE thank you to our donors so far: Washington State University, University of Washington, Tacoma Comedy Club, Jimmy Mac's Roadhouse, The Reptile Zoo, Schwartz Brothers - Daniel's Broiler and Chandlers Crab House, NW Outdoor Center Kayaking, Olive Garden, and Picaboo photo books.

**BOOTS & BOWS DANCE:** Friday, February 23 Camelot Damsels (girls) are encouraged to invite a male role model in their life for some good 'ole fashion dancing fun! We need volunteers to help out that evening, and the following items donated: bottled water, juice boxes, store-bought cookies and other snacks. *Invitations went home in backpacks. Please return bottom portion to attend the dance.*

**FUNDRAISER | MOD PIZZA:** Monday, March 5 is Camelot day at Mod Pizza in Federal Way. Just tell them you're with Camelot (all operating hours) and we will receive 20% of proceeds!

**SPRING BOOK FAIR:** It's coming up the week of March 19-23! Stay tuned for specific shopping times, based on the Student-Led Conference schedule that week. This event is run by volunteers, and we need your help! Contact Jen Case ([jencase@comcast.net](mailto:jencase@comcast.net)) if you can help with Bookfair!



Joe Kosty, Principal (253) 945-2504

Natalee Daniels, Assistant Principal (253) 945-2504

Attendance email: [camoffice@fwps.org](mailto:camoffice@fwps.org)

## Camelot—DRAWBRIDGE

Federal Way Public Schools

February 2018

Maureen Nunley, Office Manager (253) 945-2501

Lindy Lothian, Secretary (253) 945-2502



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PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Each Scholar:  
A Voice, A Dream,  
A BRIGHT Future.

### From the Principal:

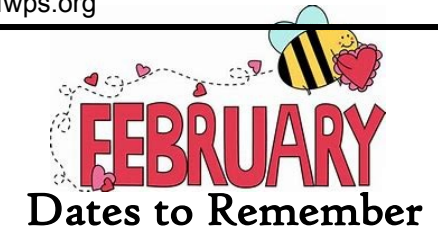
Semester 1 is done and Camelot is in full swing. There is a lot to be excited about as we move into the second half of the school year.

With report cards at home, we know you may have questions. Please feel free to call and ask if you need assistance understanding how to read the report card or what the scores mean. Our goal is to partner with you in helping to clearly understand where your scholar is currently performing.

Student-Led Conferences are coming March 22nd and 23rd. This will be a time to hear about progress and check-in on goals. Remember that you can go on Parent-View to see up to date grades, Camelot is working hard to keep scores updated.

3rd, 4th, and 5th grade families, now is a good time to be thinking about preparing scholars for our state Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) test. You can find SBA practice and training tests online, if you want to see what the test looks like and help your scholar(s) feel comfortable. We will be doing practices with scholars this month during school. The actual test will take place after Spring Break. We are excited to see how everyone performs, as we are noticing some great growth in classes!

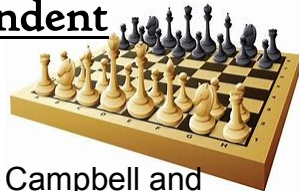
Thanks,  
Joe Kosty, Principal  
253-945-2504



### February

9th - 22nd	PTA Box Top Contest	
8th - 7pm	Jester Show	
9th - 1pm	Jester Show Assembly	
14th - 1:35pm	<b>Remember!</b> Early Release	
16th	Spirit Day Crazy Hair Day	
19th and 20th	<b>No School</b> Mid-Winter Break	
23rd - 6pm	PTA Daddy/ Daughter Dance	
26th - 8:05am	Morning with Moms	
27th - 10am	Celebration Assembly	
<b>March</b>		
9th	<b>No School</b> Teacher In-Service	
14th - 1:35pm	<b>Remember!</b> Early Release	
16th	Spirit Day Mustache Day	

## Chess with Dr. Campbell—FWPS Superintendent



Enter to win the chance to meet our Superintendent, Dr. Tammy Campbell and read a book, or learn to play chess. If your name is drawn you will get a book or a chess board to take home.

Fill out a entry form, each month, prior to the 15th. Forms are in the Camelot office.

## Multicultural Evening Help Needed

We are starting to plan for our Multicultural Evening. We are looking for volunteers who would like to share a talent (song, dance, skit, etc.) that celebrates your culture! Volunteers would need to be able to coach students or work with other parents.

If you would be interested in sharing your culture with our school, please return the bottom of this paper to your child’s teacher or to the office. For more information, contact Natalee Daniels, Assistant Principal at 253-945-2507 or ndaniels@fwps.org.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I or my child would be interested in sharing our talent, or I would like to work with other parents to show our culture.

Description of talent/performance:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholars Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholars Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2018 Replacement Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) Levy

The existing EP&O levy is set to expire in 2018. The 4-year EP&O replacement levy would continue to fund **essential educational programs and approximately 300 staff** positions beyond what the state funds.

The levy is **10 percent of the overall budget** and **funds educational programs and approximately 300 staff positions**. This includes:

Staff: classroom teachers, nurses, security staff, counselors, and bus drivers

Services: special education and English Language Learner (ELL)

Activities: athletics, music offerings and after school programs

**EP&O levy FACTS & INFORMATION**

**FUNDS ESSENTIAL STAFF & PROGRAMS**  
beyond what the state funds

**NOT A NEW TAX**  
continuously supported by the community since 1980

**SIGNIFICANT TAX DECREASE**  
of 37% with the average homeowner paying \$570 less per year starting in 2019

*The state funds 3.5 nurses, and the EP&O levy funds the remaining 19 positions needed to care for our scholars.*

**Please remember to vote by February 13, 2018** to continue funding staff and educational programs needed for a safe and supportive learning environment for our scholars.

For more information:

Call 253-945-2000 / Email [comments@fwps.org](mailto:comments@fwps.org)

Visit the district website: <https://www.fwps.org/domain/1755>

## Minutes in, Minutes out, Minutes Count!

Did you know if you pick up your scholar early, the minutes count against their attendance the same as a tardy? The district now totals minutes attended for the entire day and these totals automatically go to the State of Washington. If your child is late for school and then leaves early in the afternoon it is possible that it will show up as missing a half a day of school. You can check your scholar's attendance on your ParentVue account or in the school office.

Please let us know by 9:15 am if your student will be late and if they need lunch ordered, call 253-945-2500.

## Parking Lot Reminders

Please do not park in the handicap parking spots unless you have a placard or special license plate. These spots are for guest and staff and are used regularly. Do not use handicap spots for dropping off or picking up students.

There is also no parking in the "Buses Only" area during drop-off and pick-up times as this is for students arriving and departing on buses.

Finally, it is right turn only out of Camelot's parking lot during drop-off and pick-up time. This keeps the flow of traffic moving and ensures the safety for drivers and students.

Thank you for helping to keep our parking lot safe and accessible to all.



## After School Safety

For the safety of our students it is very important that they are picked up or walk directly home at the end of the school day or at the end of their afternoon school sponsored activities.

Many students stay on campus and play on the playground equipment without parent supervision. There is no adult/teacher supervision on the playground after school is dismissed at 3:05pm. Thank you for your help and cooperation with this matter.



## Camelot Jester Show is Here!

Come watch the stars shine on Thursday, February 8th, at 7:00pm in the Great Hall. PTA will be selling snacks and treats in the lobby. Everyone is welcome! If you have questions, please contact Miss Hroncich at [chronic@fwps.org](mailto:chronic@fwps.org) or 253-945-2526.



## Music At Camelot

Camelot has two grade level music concerts coming up in March. Make sure to add them to your calendar! Our 4th and 5th graders, and Mrs. Lippman's class, will perform on Thursday, March 8th, at 7:00pm in the Great Hall. The 2nd and 3rd graders will have their concert at 7:00pm on Thursday, March 29th.

We look forward to seeing you and your child. Please contact Miss Hroncich if you have any questions, [chronic@fwps.org](mailto:chronic@fwps.org) or 253-945-2526.



## Early Release Days for 2017—2018

February 14th,

March 14th and 28th, April 11th and 25th, May 16th and June 6th  
Mark your Calendar for Early Release Days!! School is dismissed at **1:35pm**.



## Counselor's Corner

### TRANSITION TO MIDDLE SCHOOL



Kilo Middle School:

**Tuesday, March 27th, 5:30 –7pm**

Information Night at Kilo Middle School — 4400 South 308th Street, Auburn  
Parents and students will get a short presentation from the principal, there will be an opportunity to complete course request forms, current Kilo students will lead tours, and parents will meet some 6th grade teachers.

**Thursday, May 24th, during the school day**

5th Grade visit to Kilo Middle School — students visit Kilo with 5th grade teachers.

Federal Way Public Academy:

(college preparatory, grades 6-10, Choice/lottery enrollment):

Thursday, February 22nd, 7-8:30 pm

Information Night – 34620 9th Ave S, Federal Way

**If you have questions, concerns or interest in any of the above, please feel free to call Mrs. Bryant at 253-945-2508 or email [cbryant@fwps.org](mailto:cbryant@fwps.org).**

## Jump Rope For Heart

Camelot is doing its part to help in the fight against heart disease by participating in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart program. Along with learning all about the heart and the steps we can take to keep ours healthy, we are raising money to donate to the American Heart Association.



“When you donate to the American Heart Association, you are joining us in the fight against our nation’s No. 1 and No. 4 killers – heart disease and stroke. Your donation will support such life-saving efforts as research, education, advocating for better health, improving patient care and reaching populations at risk. In short, you are helping save lives.” ([www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org))

You can get started right now by visiting [www.heart.org/jump](http://www.heart.org/jump) and creating your very own home page. This is where family and friends can donate money from anywhere simply by visiting your students’ personal fundraising page. The official donation collection envelopes will go home on February 8. With these envelopes students can ask for in-person donations of cash or check. \*Please remember to stay safe - We have talked in class about NEVER going door to door to strangers’ houses especially by yourself! A better idea is to ask friends, family and neighbors you know, or have mom, dad, aunt, uncle, etc. take the envelope to work and ask coworkers\*

Students will have until February 23 to collect donations online and in person. On Thursday and Friday (Feb. 22 and 23) students will be participating in JUMP DAY in their PE classes to celebrate their collection efforts and of course strengthen their hearts through exercise!

Our goal this year is to raise \$5000! Thank you in advance for all your help and support for this extremely important cause!

### Important JRFH Dates:

Begin collecting online donations at [www.heart.org/jump](http://www.heart.org/jump)  
Collection Envelopes go home  
Collect in-person donations as well as online donations  
JUMP DAY! - during PE  
ALL Money Due!

RIGHT NOW  
February 8th  
February 9th-23rd  
February 22nd/23rd  
February 23rd

Questions? Please contact Leslie Burhenn at 253-945-2518 or [lburhenn@fwps.org](mailto:lburhenn@fwps.org)

## “A Heart for TJ”

Thomas Jefferson High School has a very special evening planned for **March 3rd!** Everyone is invited to join us in celebration of TJHS students at our annual **TJRPM Dinner and Auction: “A Heart for TJ”**

The fun kicks off at 5:00pm at

Emerald Downs, 2300 Emerald Downs Drive, Auburn WA.

TJRPM is hosting this event to generate support for our students pursuing the

“Four A’s”: Academics, Activities, Athletics, and Arts.

Please visit our website, [www.tjrpm.org](http://www.tjrpm.org), to purchase tickets and learn more about this important event. Hope to see you all there!

## Choice Enrollment

Choice Enrollment Lottery is open for all grade levels February 1-28; for all In-District Scholars only.

Applications to participate in the 2018-19 choice Enrollment Lottery will be available online, at schools, and the Educational service center (ESC). Parents of students living within the boundaries of Federal Way Public Schools may apply to "choice" their child into a school other than their resident area school.

All Choice Enrollment applications are due by 4:30 pm on February 28th (Late applications will not be accepted), at ESC; location: 33330 8th Avenue South, Federal Way.

March 16th: Public Lottery at ESC at 6pm

April 1st: Acceptance Letters for Placement are due and must be received by Business Services at ESC by 4:00pm.

Scholars not placed via lottery must remain at their present/resident school. Non-resident students may submit requests to ESC August 1st-3rd; accompanied by a choice Transfer Request (release) from the student's resident school district. Non-resident applicants will be placed on the waitlist for the requested school and grade level; placement is on a space-available basis, after in-district applicants are placed.

Please visit [www.fwps.org/Page/434](http://www.fwps.org/Page/434) or call 253-945-2000

## Student Council

### Upcoming Spirit Days:

Friday, February 16th—Crazy Hair Day

Friday, March 16th—Mustache Day

Friday, April 20th—Favorite Sport Day

Friday, May 18th—Dream Job Day



### Val-O-Grams Are Here!

If you would like to send a valentine surprise to a friend or teacher, Val-O-Grams are the answer! For **\$1.00 each** your valentine's will receive a heart-shaped card with a novelty valentine themed toy.

You can order a **whole class set for \$20** (if your class has less than 20 students you pay for actual number). Parents...you can order them for your students too!

Order forms were sent home on Thursday, January 25. Additional order forms are available in the front office.

Need more space than is available on the form? Go ahead and attach a sheet with a list of additional orders to the order form, making sure to include the recipient's name and teacher.

If sending cash, please send exact amount. Checks should be made payable to Camelot Elementary. Happy Valentine's Day from your Camelot Student Council!



### Yearbook Club Wants Your Photos

Have you taken photos on a class field trip or at a school event? Yearbook would love to have your photos! Please email photos to [cbryant@fwps.org](mailto:cbryant@fwps.org).

## Attendance Matters, Every Day Counts!



We want to recognize our students for having perfect attendance (with occasional tardies and early releases). Below are the names of students with perfect attendance for January. If your student is not on this list, encourage them to come to school *on time* every day. If your student will be absent or tardy, please call Mrs. Lothian at 253-945-2502. If there is a hardship, please contact Ms. Curran—Family Liaison at 253-945-2517 or Mrs. Bryant—Counselor at 253-945-2508 for support. Congratulations Knights on your perfect attendance.

**Albade**—Bridgette H., Bryce H., Omar S., Valery U., Ruixin Z.

**Ball-Toughill**—Alyson A., Abram A., Aarav K., Kaiya M., Michael S.

**Barry**—Hailey B., Emily D., Divinity D., Hannah F., Davide H., Elina M., Ilona T., Ratu V.

**Borg**—Joseph G., Sofiiia K., Kelin M., Jorge O.

**Clough**—Amaya A., Lydia B., Dylin H., Ibrahim I., Bryan K., Ronald S., Angel S.

**Eilertsen**—Megan B., Cruz D., Porter L., Ilya M., Sarai W.

**Irons**—Joshua A., Katelynn C., Ashlynn D., Christof H., Jason M., Emma M., Elizabeth S., Arianna V., Krischana V.

**Jones**—Heidi O.

**Kimpel**—Emily D., Yatziry G., Amido H., Samuel S.

**Kuldanek**—Jorge C., Ezron D., Levi M., Julia M., Nicholas P.

**Pomfret**—Alexander J., Mykhailo K.

**Rolewicz**—Adelaide B., Charles F., Noah Z.

**Waterman**—Kylie A., Nevaeh C., Anthony D., Isaiah G., Rocio H., Margalo J., Anika K., Mary L., Audrey R., Brianna S., Ramo S., Vita V.

**Whitford**—Isaiah D., Maximus M., Max M., Benjamin M., Aidan M., Eliana S.

**Winkler**—Mason B., Mireille I., Nathaniel P., Israel R., Austin V.

## 2018—2019 Kindergarten Registration—Happening Now!

Kindergarten registration for the 2018-19 school year is now open. Families with a child who will be five-years-old by August 31, 2018 are welcome to enroll their scholar online, or at school.

To enroll online, visit: [www.fwps.org/kiosk](http://www.fwps.org/kiosk), and click on the “Student Registration” link to start the process (make sure to select the **2018-19** school year). Families can also register in person at the child’s school during regular hours. The following documents are recommended at the time of registration:

- Your child’s birth certificate
- Proof of your address (Wa. State ID/Drivers License, rental agreement, purchase agreement, or utility bill)
- Your child’s immunization records for measles, mumps, rubella, polio, diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, hepatitis B, and varicella (chickenpox)

If your child has life threatening conditions such as allergies, asthma, diabetes, and seizure disorders, a meeting will be scheduled with the school nurse to confirm that all medications, medical supplies, and health care provider orders are in place prior to the first day of school.

It is also suggested that parents provide:

- Two emergency contacts, including addresses and phone numbers
- Physician, dentist, and child care addresses and phone numbers

