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Dear Nautilus Families,

Happy 2020! I hope your family had a wonderful winter break (and surprise snow day). I was able to spend time with my family in both Western Washington and Eastern Washington. It is always nice to be able to spend time with my nieces. We visited the Children's Museum and the Science Center in Spokane. Both my husband and I were pretty tired by the end of the day.

January brings us i-Ready testing for all students grades K-8th, in both areas – reading and math. It brings us two three-day weekends: 1) Monday, January 20th (MLK, Jr Day) and 2) Friday, January 31st (Semester Break). It also brings us to the end of a reporting period. Please look in your child's backpack on Friday, February 7th, as there should be a report card hiding in there.

As you probably know, we are onto our second Project Based Learning experience of the year. Please ask your son/daughter what Driving Question they are working on right now. They should be able to tell you! We have sent classrooms on field trips and have invited guest speakers to give first-hand information about real life situations connected with our projects. Our goal is to make these projects as authentic as we can. Schoolwide, Mrs. Anderson is working on a Cardboard Arcade project that will be showcased at our **STEAM Night on Thursday, February 6th from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm.** Mark your calendar because all scholars will have used the Engineering Design Process to design and build an arcade game that will be on display!

"We may all have come in different ships, but we're in the same boat now," Martin Luther King, Jr. said. I am so proud to be on this PBL voyage with the Nautilus community. Our students are REALLY lucky!

Proud to Be a Navigator!

Stacy Lucas
Principal

Mark Your Calendar

January

- 15 Early Release at 1:35
- 16 PTSA Board Meeting at 6:30 in Library
- 20 No School- Martin Luther King Day
- 29 Early Release at 1:35
- 30 End of Semester
- 31 No School- Semester Break

February

- 6 Nautilus STEAM Night at 5:30-7:00
- 7 Report Cards Go Home
- Debate Club Final Demonstration in Library 4:00-6:00

Thank you to our magnificent volunteers for working 157 hours during the month of December.



Upcoming Night Event at Nautilus

- What: Nautilus STEAM Night
- When: Thursday, February 6th
- Where: Gym
- Time: 5:30-7:00



FWPS High School Planning Nights January 22-February

Decatur High School January 22nd from 6:00-7:30

Federal High School February 12th from 6:00-8:00

Thomas Jefferson High School January 23rd from 5:30-7:30

Todd Beamer High School January 28th from 6:00-7:30

TAF @Saghalie (grades 9-12)-Choice January 29th from 6:00-7:30

Truman Campus: Career Academy, Internet Academy, and Open Doors
Will be joining ALL of the High School Planning Nights

Inclement Weather Information

Just in case we have snow or other weather related issues during the next month or so, please check the FWPS website (www.fwps.org) for the latest school closure or late start updates. **Please do not call the school.**

Additional information, including emergency bus routes may be found under the Parent Portal tab, then click on Weather Closures & Delays. You may also call 253-945-2000 and follow the prompts for weather and school closure information. Local news/radio stations also broadcast weather related information and school closure lists.

During delayed/late starts, students may NOT be dropped off more than 15 minutes before school starts.

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. Please attend our next upcoming forum to provide valuable feedback.

February 5, 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm at Todd Beamer High School, 35999 16th Avenue S. Federal Way 98003

Light refreshments will be provided. 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

Choice Enrollment open January 6th – February 14th

Applications to participate in the 2020-21 Choice Enrollment Lottery will be available for all grade levels Jan. 6th – Feb. 14th. **Applications will be available ONLY online at: www.fwps.org/Choice**

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 p.m., February 14th.

Existing Choice families are not required to reapply. **However, if you are a 5th grader and would like to stay for Middle School at Nautilus, you MUST complete the choice enrollment online.**

Save The Date

STEM Expo4 will be held at Federal Way High School on March 25, 2020 from 6:00-8:00 pm.



Nurses Note

Remember if your child has a temperature of 100 degrees or over, diarrhea, OR has thrown up, they need to remain at home. Children should be fever free (without the use of medication) for 24 hours and have not vomited for 24 hours as well before returning to school.



Upcoming Informances:

March 31	2nd & 3rd Grade
May 7	4th & 5th Grade
May 21	1st Grade
June 4	Kindergarten

Informances will begin at 6:30. Please have your student's arrive in their classroom by 6:15.

Also, each class will have a rehearsal the day of their informance at 9:00 am for the school in the gym.



Non-Discrimination Statement

Federal Way Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of race, color, national origin or ethnicity, religion, creed, sex or gender, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, age, marital or family status, veteran or military status, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal. The District provides equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups.

If you have questions or complaints regarding alleged discrimination please contact the district office at 33330 8th Avenue South and ask for one of the following coordinators listed below.

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator, Dan Dizon,
compliance@fwps.org, 253-945-2000

Title IX Compliance Coordinator, Craig Tutt,
titleix@fwps.org, 253-945-2000

504/ADA Compliance Coordinator, Diana Thomas
504@fwps.org, 253-945-2000

It's Time To Enroll In Kindergarten

Kindergarten registration for the 2020-2021 school year opens Tuesday, January 21, 2020. Families with a child who will be five-years-old by Aug. 31, 2020 are welcome to enroll their child online at home or on a computer available to you in the office between 9:30am and 2:00pm.

Enroll online at www.fwps.org/onlineenrollment, and click on the “Student Registration” link to start the process (make sure to select the 2020 - 2021 school year). The following documents are needed at the time of registration:

- Your child's birth certificate
- Proof of your address (rental agreement, purchase agreement, or utility bill) within the last 30 days
- Your child's immunization records

Federal Way Public Academy's Information Night

When: Thursday, January 23, 2020

Where: Federal Way Public Academy
34620 9th Ave S
Federal Way, WA 98003

Time: 7:00 pm—8:30 pm



Cold Weather

Please dress your student in warm clothes during our cold weather. Recess will be outdoors, therefore, we will need each student prepared for the weather each day.



Reminder: We do not have extra clothes for wet students.

Notes from the Family Liaison

IMPORTANT DATES:

Choice Enrollment is open until February 14th! Enrollment is all online this year and can be found at: <https://www.fwps.org/Page/7375>

Kindergarten Registration OPENS on January 21st!

If you have future kindergarten student we'd love to have you participate in our READY K class this year! This is a 3 session class (dinner is provided) and the dates are:

Tuesday 4/28 – from 5-7

Tuesday 5/12 from 5-6:30

Tuesday 5/26 from 5-6:30

Carpool/Bus Loop Expectations:

January is a great time for re-teaching expectations! Parking is very limited here at Nautilus and it's important that we all model trust, respect and responsibility. **The BUS LOOP is only for Bus Traffic.** We have a Nautilus staff crossing guard in the back to help with safely crossing the street. Please park in the neighborhood and have your child walk to their classroom. We need your help keeping all Navigators safe!

We have a LOT of Navigators who get here by car. In order to maintain safety and keep things moving we ask that all drivers wait their turn in line and follow the Nautilus expectations. There is NO PARKING in the fire lane and if you plan on going to your child's classroom we ask that you park in one of the marked stalls – if there are no spots open, please park in the neighborhood and walk. Thank you for helping us model waiting in line and following directions for our Navigators!

Parent Power

There are many ways you can support your child's learning and school.

Here are a few ideas:

- Spend a few minutes every evening looking over handouts your student brings home. Fill out forms to return the next day.
- Tell your child's teachers if you can help them out at school or home.
- Contact your student's teacher immediately if you see a problem. Working together will help your child succeed.
- Attend conferences, parent meetings, and school events regularly.

Carpool

We have a large number of students being dropped off and picked up. Our parking lot has a very limited number of parking spots. The fire department asks that you not park in the fire lane or by the yellow curbs. Therefore, if you want to park, you will need to arrive early or you will need to park in the neighborhood and walk in. Please follow the directions of the signs that are posted along 11th Ave S and along the entrance into the school parking lot. Please remember there is one LONG line for drop off and pick up and we ask that you patiently wait. Allow extra time so your student is not tardy. We can get all the cars in and out in about 12 minutes at the end of the day. Student pick up needs to occur in the main parking lot on the East side of school. Please do not park in the neighborhood near the bus loop (West side of the school) because the buses cannot get through. Do not drive in the bus loop, this area is for buses ONLY.

