



ARDMORE ELEMENTARY

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Key dates & events

FEBRUARY 9	Science Fair registrations due Find the form, details, and project ideas at http://www.ardmoreelementary.org/sciencefair
FEBRUARY 19-23	No school – Mid-Winter Break
MARCH 23	Science Fair Save the date! We hope all students can participate.

The Principal's Corner

Behavioral reset shows some early successes and some opportunities for improvement

At the Community Meeting on February 1, Mr. Miller and Mrs. Whitten shared data on office referrals and staff perceptions on how the school-wide behavioral reset is going. Data shows improving behavior in public spaces (hallways, cafeteria, and playground), and classrooms are next on the list for implementation.



To find out more, look out for updates from Mr. Miller and feel free to contact him or Mrs. Whitten anytime with questions or feedback.

Stay connected with Principal Miller

- Twitter <https://twitter.com/ChasTweets>
- Blog <https://chasmiller.blog/>
- YouTube <http://tinyurl.com/y8zhuqtf>

Science Fair

Registration packets are due TOMORROW, Feb. 9
Don't forget to turn in your form! Tri-fold display boards will be provided **free of charge**, donated by the Ardmore PTSA. To find a list of great ideas for projects, visit <http://www.ardmoreelementary.org/sciencefair>.



News & announcements

Breaktime-Mealtime Boxes pickup: Feb. 12-16

Families who signed up for Breaktime-Mealtime boxes can pick up their boxes during the week of Feb. 12-16 at the Family Connections Center at Ardmore between 8:00 a.m – 2:45 p.m. If you need to pick up your boxes at another time or if you have questions, please contact Ligia Calvo at 425-456-4762 or email calvol@bsd405.org.



Boys and Girls Club Summer Camp registration begins on March 26

It's not too soon to start planning ahead for summer. Boys and Girls Club of Bellevue runs programs focused on keeping kids engaged and active through the summer months. Scholarships are available for those who qualify. They can be used for up to 4 weeks of camps. www.bgcbellevue.org.



Volunteers of the month

Heroes in our midst: Thank you to our Backpack Meals volunteers

The Ardmore PTSA would like to give a shout-out to Ardmore parents Kim Gray, Andrea Hayden, Pauline Louie, and Willian Louie for helping out with the Backpack Meals for Kids program (<http://backpackmeals.org>). This program helps provide many Ardmore students with meals.



Programs like these cannot run smoothly without volunteer effort from parents. It was heartening when these parents raised their hands to answer the call for help in September. Since then, they have been getting the backpacks to school every Thursday to benefit our students. A heartfelt thank-you for your time and caring!

Build your skills and help Ardmore

Nominations are ongoing for 2018-19 PTSA officers

The Nominating Committee is still looking for parents who want to make a difference for Ardmore while building their skills in leadership roles. Officers will be voted into office in May and will serve for a one-year term. To learn more or to nominate someone (yourself or others), contact janinethorn@yahoo.com.

Note: You must be a PTSA member to hold an elected office. To join PTSA, visit <https://www.pt-avenue.com/join>.

Financial assistance with the \$11 fee is available from the Family Connection Center.

"The most powerful
leadership tool you
have is your own
personal example."

John Wooden

From the PTSA Board

Grants approved for field trips, book-writing project

At the February 6 board meeting, the Ardmore PTSA approved funding requests from several teachers to support educational experiences, including field trips to the Wing Luke Museum in Seattle and self-produced storybooks for five classes.



Vote to fund education by Feb. 13

Remember to VOTE for the Bellevue School District levies

If you are a registered voter, your February Special Election Ballot needs your attention! Please take two minutes to vote.

Existing programs will be cut if these levies do not receive enough YES votes. <http://www.bsd405.org/2017/12/levies/>

Ballots must be mailed by February 13.

Educational Programs and Operations Levy pays for:

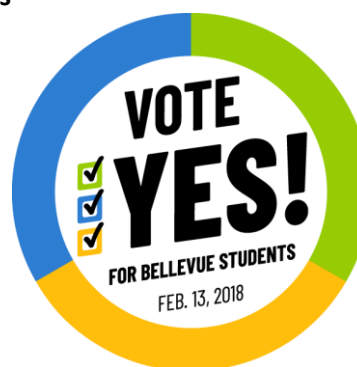
- Music, band, orchestra and art for all elementary students
- 7th period classes and tutorial for all middle and high school students
- World languages in middle schools and language immersion programs
- Athletics
- Gifted and Special Education programs
- Nurses, counselors, specialists and security supporting all students

Technology and Capital Projects Levy pays for:

- Smartboards, projectors, printers and other classroom technology
- Laptops for middle and high school students, shared laptop carts for all elementary students
- Digital curriculum supporting STEM learning throughout the day
- Technical staff supporting students, teachers and parents
- Major school build repairs including new flooring, roofing and HVAC

School Bus Levy pays for:

- New buses to support student enrollment growth for next 7-10 years
- Additional transportation to help families and reduce traffic around schools



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