



Fawcett Elementary @ McKinley & Tacoma Public Schools Resources / Information Updates Summer, 2022

Upcoming Dates in September, 2022:

- September 2: Class lists posted by 4 PM (see below)
- September 7th: Meet Your Teacher from 4-5 PM (see below)---date change!
- September 8th: First Day for 1st-5th Grades---date change!
- September 13th: First Day for Kindergarten
- September 14th: Weekly Wednesday Late Starts Begin, per TPS calendar (see the last page), @ 10 AM

THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following Fawcett staff members who will be onto his/her next adventure. Your dedication to our Fawcett community has been greatly appreciated. Best of luck in your future endeavors:

- Jana Perkins, Assistant Principal
- Shawn Jones, Registered Nurse
- Gracie Orr, 2nd Grade Leave Replacement Teacher
- Ron Balmer, PE congratulations on your retirement!
- Jill Hess, Occupational Therapist congratulations on your retirement!
- Lindsey Shepard, RISE Teacher
- Brien McNamara, RISE Education Support Professional
- Melinda Haro, LPN
- Puspa Krishna, Cook Assistant
- Steve Senna, 4th Grade Teacher congratulations on your retirement!
- Rachel Jongekryg, 4th Grade Teacher
- Anthony Tillis, 4th Grade Leave Replacement Teacher
- Shayne Hamilton, Psychologist
- Sara Smith, 3rd Grade Leave Replacement Teacher
- Thong Nguyen, Night Custodian congratulations on your retirement!



Meet Your Teacher---DATE CHANGE!:

FAWCETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL @ McKinley (3702 E McKinley Ave)







DATE: Wednesday, September 7th TIME: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Come meet your child's teacher, drop off school supplies, and check out the classroom!

We will be available to answer any transportation and/or district laptop questions you may have.

**If your child will be riding the bus, please bring their backpack so we can attach their bus tag prior to the first day of school.

You can also sign-up to be on PTA. PTA will be providing ice cream! See you there!

FAWCETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR

KINDERGARTEN SUPPLY LIST	FIRST GRADE SUPPLY LIST
1 Backpack (large enough to carry a folder)	3 boxes of crayons, Crayola 24 count
2 Sets of Headphones	4 Dry erase markers
2 Plastic Pocket Folders with Prongs (no paper folders please)	2 package of wide tip markers, Crayola
2 "My First Ticonderoga" pencils	1 package of colored pencils, Crayola
2 Boxes of Crayola Crayons (24 ct)	1 pair of Fiskar scissors
2 Boxes of Washable Crayola Markers	1 dozen large glue sticks
2 Sets of Crayola Watercolors	1 box of pink erasers
	2 primary black and white composition notebooks (only books with the drawing space above
4 Black EXPO Dry Erase Markers	the lines
4 Gluesticks	2 packs of Ticonderoga pencils, pre-sharpened
4 Containers of Play-Doh	1 box Kleenex
3 Boxes of Tissues	3 containers of Clorox wipes
2 Containers of Sanitizing Wipes	1 box of gallon size Ziploc bags
1+Shareable Snack(s) for the Whole Class	1 bottle of hand sanitizer
1 Box of Ziplock Bags (gallon size)	1 snack to share with class of 24 (Ritz crackers, goldfish, Cheez-Its, pretzels)
1 Package of Sheet Protectors	1 backpack (no rollers)
	PLEASE DO NOT PUT NAMES ON SUPPLIES AS THEY WILL BE POOLED AND SHARED

SECOND GRADE SUPPLY LIST	THIRD GRADE SUPPLY LIST		
*Please do not write names on anything besides the backpack**	1 pkg wide rule paper		
Backpack Write name on-individual use	4 count Spiral notebooks		
1 pack Whiteboard markers	2 count highlighters		
1 Whiteboard eraser	4 packs of 4 black fine point expo markers		
1 box Colored pencils	24 count Twistable colored pencils		
2 boxes Markers	4 count Pink Bar erasers		
2 boxes Crayons	1 pack Crayola markers		
2 Glue sticks	1 count watercolors		
4 Big pink erasers	1 count scissors, child blunt tip		
1 boxTiconderoga pre-sharpened pencils	1 box ziploc freezer quart size baggies		
2 sets Watercolor paint	6 count glue sticks		
3 Spiral bound notebookes	4 count folders 2 pocket no prongs		
2 containers Clorox Wipes	2 count sanitizing wipes		
1 Scissors	1 count headphones (please label with your child's name)		
1 box Sandwich size ziplock bags	1 count pencil pouch (no pencil boxes, please label with your child's name)		
4 Pocket folders	1 count backpack (no rolling backpacks, please label with your child's name)		
1 Headphones (write name on)	*NO Mechanical Pencils*		



FOURTH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- Large backpack (label with name)
- 1 box twistable color pencils (label with name)
- 1 box markers (label with name)
- 1 box crayons (label with name)
- 1 watercolor set (label with name)
- 2 Pink erasers
- 3 Highlighters (1 yellow, 1 blue, 1 Pink)
- 4 Dry Erase Markers
- 2 Flair brand black felt tip markers
- 2 Flair brand red felt tip markers
- 24 pre-sharpened pencils
- 2 glue sticks 1 zipper pencil pouch
- 1 supply box
- 2 wide-rule composition notebooks
- 2 spiral notebooks solid color covers
- 4 2 pocket folders no prongs
- 1 bottle hand sanitizer
- 2 containers Disinfectant wipes
- 1 pair headphones or earbuds (label with name)

FIFTH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- 1 Zippered pencil pouch with holes for binder (labeled with name)
- 1 Plastic Pencil Box (labeled with name)
- 1 Strong Folder for school to home communication (labeled with name)
- 1 Headphones (these will stay at school, label with name)
- 1 Reuseable water bottle (optional, labeled with name)
- 1 3" 3 ring binder (labeled with name)
- 5 College ruled notebooks 2 Boxes of Kleenex
- 24 #2 sharpened pencils
- 1 Package of Crayola colored wide tip markers
- 1 Package of Crayola Twistable colored pencils
- 1 Package of Crayola crayons
- 2 Large glue sticks (NO LIQUID)
- 2 Pink erasers
- 2 Highlighters
- 4 Black dry erase markers, regular size
- 4 Black dry erase markers, fine/point size
- 1 Package of sticky notes 1 White board eraser
- 1 Pair of Fiskar scissors

RISE PROGRAM

- 1 Backpack (labeled with name)
- 1 Zippered pencil pouch with holes for binder (labeled with name)
- 1 Plastic Pencil Box (labeled with name)
- 1 Strong Folder for school to home communication (labeled with name)
- 1 Headphones (these will stay at school, label with name)
- 1 Reuseable water bottle (optional, labeled with name)
- 13" 3 ring binder (labeled with name)
- 5 College ruled notebooks
- 2 Boxes of Kleenex
- 24 #2 sharpened pencils
- 1 Package of Crayola colored wide tip markers
- 1 Package of Crayola Twistable colored pencils
- 1 Package of Crayola crayons
- 2 Large glue sticks (NO LIQUID)
- 2 Pink erasers
- 2 Highlighters
- 4 Black dry erase markers, regular size
- 4 Black dry erase markers, fine/point size
- 1 Package of sticky notes
- 1 White board eraser 1 Pair of Fiskar scissors

Incoming Kindergarten Jump Start:

This four-day summer program is designed to help incoming kindergarten students feel confident and ready

for success in school. Students have a chance to become familiar with their school and get to know their peers prior to school officially start. At Fawcett, we have our incoming kindergarteners rotate amongst all three classrooms during Jump Start, to get acclimated with all staff, students, and classrooms prior to our kindergarten placement.

- August 22nd-25th, 2022
- 9 AM to 1 PM
- At our temporary McKinley location---3702 E McKinley Ave.

Students are automatically enrolled for Jump Start when they are enrolled in kindergarten. If you child is unable to attend, please contact Summer Learning Office via email at:

summerschool@tacoma.k12.wa.us. District transportation is not provided to kindergarten Jump Start. To enroll in kindergarten, visit our Enrollment Services website: Enrollment Services - Tacoma Public Schools (tacomaschools.org).





Free Summer Meals for Individuals 18 & Under:

With summer right around the corner, I wanted to let you know that all youth 18 and under can get free breakfast and lunch over the summer.

Breakfast and lunch will be available at these schools:

- Baker Middle School
- First Creek Middle School
- Giaudrone Middle School
- Gray Middle School
- Hilltop Heritage Middle School
- Mason Middle School
- Meeker Middle School
- Stewart Middle School
- Truman Middle School
- Wainwright Intermediate

Students must eat meals at school. Meals will be available:

- Monday-Thursday from June 27-July 28 (no meals available July 4 holiday)
- Breakfast served from: 8:30-9:15 AM
- Lunch served from: 11:30 AM -12:15 PM

Want more options? Metro Parks Tacoma will offer free lunches at a number of parks over the summer. Meals will be available from 12-1 PM, June 27th – August 26th to those 18 and under.

Summer Break Activities:

If you are looking for some summer activities for your child, check out Tacoma Learns, an online directory of youth programs throughout Tacoma and Pierce County. Use the directory to find programs by grade level, cost, interest, and location.

Check it out!

Classroom Lists & Teacher Requests:



Please know that Fawcett
Elementary does not accept
requests from parents/guardians
regarding future classroom and
teacher placements. Our staff
collaboratively work on class lists
for the next school year. During
this, we take careful consideration
as to a multitude of information
to make our classes as equitable
as possible to meet the needs of
all students.



Because of this, and because all of our Fawcett teachers are highly trained and skilled practitioners, we respectfully ask that you not request a specific teacher. All staff take part in ongoing professional development to ensure we deliver the highest quality of teaching and learning across the school. Thank you, in advance, for respecting this request.

With that said, class lists for the 2022-23 school year will be visibly posted by teacher and grade **by 4 PM on Friday, September 2**nd, outside of the cafeteria at McKinley on E McKinley Ave. See picture for reference.

Preschool Applications Open:

Tacoma Public Schools is now accepting applications for our 2022-23 preschool programs, which are free to qualifying families. We offer half day and school-day programs across the district. Children must be three or four years old by August 31st to participate, and not yet kindergarten eligible.

Pre-screening applications are available here: <u>Pre-Screening Application for Preschool - Tacoma Public Schools (tacomaschools.org)</u>

Student Laptops Connect to Wifi:

Learning does not stop at the doors to our buildings. Now, our students' laptops automatically connect to the Wi-Fi at the following community partner locations:

- All Tacoma Public Library locations
- The Al Davies Boys and Girls Club
- The Milgard Family Eastside Boys and Girls Club
- Henry T. Schatz Boys and Girls Club

No action is required by students to connect to the Internet while on their district laptops at these public locations.

ORCA Cards:

If your child has an ORCA card from school, please let them know they can keep their current card and continue to use it for free Pierce Transit bus rides through the next school year.

While the expiration date on the back of student ORCA cards indicates they will expire in August 2022, Pierce Transit is updating its system to allow students to keep their current cards and use them through June 2023.

Hiring Efforts:

The school district continues to offer \$250 to \$5,000 hiring bonuses to fill key positions, like nurses, LPNs, bus drivers, education support professionals and bus monitors.

We are also looking for emergency substitute teachers and have changed the requirements so more people are temporarily eligible. Substitute pay has also increased to \$200 per day.

Find out more about job openings and hiring bonuses here: <u>Careers - Tacoma Public Schools</u> (tacomaschools.org)



Fawcett Building Updates:



Check out the latest and greatest updates regarding our temporary home at McKinley and stay up-to-date with the preliminary designs for our new building and planning.

Planning and Construction - Tacoma Public Schools (tacomaschools.org)

If you would like to check out the video that was shared to all students and staff on our Construction Day, please check it out here: https://youtu.be/J8pen0QdXDU

If you would like to check out the construction progress in real-time, you can watch a live feed of the campus by using this URL:

https://fawcett.tacomaschools.org/about/fawcett-construction

Breakfast & Lunch Menus:

Daily menus for breakfast and lunch are now available through our school website. Go to either our school website or www.tacomaschools.org and select the "Meals" button. From there, you can select our school on the menu page and find the items we're serving. More food options are beginning to come back. While there are still some supply chain issues, we are starting to see more fresh fruits and vegetables in the cafeteria, along with more freshly cooked food and less prepackaged food served. Menus are still subject to change.

TPS students can once again receive free breakfast and lunch in the 2022-23 school year, regardless of income. This will be offered as part of a new federal school meal funding option.

As part of this programming option, select families will be asked to complete a Household Information Survey (this replaces the Free and Reduced-Price Meal Application families might be familiar with from past years). If your household is already directly certified, you will receive a confirmation from the school district, and you will not receive a Household Information Survey.

More information



Free Home Internet:

If you are interested in free home internet, a new resource is available. In partnership with Comcast, the Tacoma Urban League is sponsoring free, high-speed internet for families who qualify. For more information, parents/guardians can reach out to the Tacoma Urban League directly at (253) 383-2007.

Morning Drop-Off Reminders:

Just a reminder that if you drop-off your child in the morning, supervision does not begin until 8:50, so please ensure you are either keeping your child in the car with you or supervising them until the bell rings and staff arrive outside at the gate. Given this is a congested, high-traffic area, please remind your child that if they are out of your vehicle prior to 8:50 AM, they should be waiting in line, chatting with friends if they'd like, but not playing games such as tag or catch. We appreciate your support in ensuring our students' safety!

End-Of-Day Transportation:

If your child is new to riding the bus or your family is new to Fawcett, please email Ms. Kelly your child's name and address and she will get the bus set up. Times and locations will be available for you to view the end of August. Her email is: kpenswi@tacoma.k12.wa.us.

***It is vital, if your transportation changes, please call the main office to inform the school. With this information, Ms. Kelly or Ms. Lori will communicate this important information to your child's teacher, so he/she gets on the bus or picked up accordingly.

Drop-Off/Pick-Up & Bus Zone:

It is important, for the safety of all, and to be cognizant to the McKinley neighbors, to follow these important drop-off / pick-up expectations:

- There will be no supervision in the morning prior to 8:50 AM on M/T/Th/F. On Wednesdays, no supervision prior to 9:50 AM.
- Drop-off and pick-up will occur on E 37th Street to the north of the school. Please follow the cones, signs, and staff direction, as there
 - is no parking on E. 37th Street (directly north of the school) or on the curb closest to the school on E. McKinley Ave., as that is where our busses will pick-up/drop-off.
- E. McKinley Ave. (on the school side) will be for busses **only.** Please do not drop-off, pick-up, or park here.
- The only crosswalk will be on the corner of E. 37th Street & E. McKinley Ave. Please adhere to direction of the crossing guard at this location.
- School is out each day at 3:30 PM.
- Please do NOT park on the sidewalk on G Street, as this is residential parking.

Thank you for your support, patience, and assistance with this!

Student drop off, pick up directions

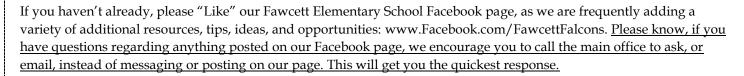
- Drop off and pick up students on E. 37th St. (Blue X)
- Don't park on E. 37th St. Please follow the cones and signage placed on E. 37th St. during drop off and pick up times.
- Avoid dropping off or picking up your student in the front of the building on E. McKinley Ave. This area is reserved for buses only.





Helpful Websites & Contact Information:

- Fawcett Elementary School website: fawcettfalcons.com
- Fawcett Elementary School Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/fawcettfalcons/
- Tacoma Public Schools: https://www.tacomaschools.org/
- Main office phone number: (253) 571-4700
- Fax number: (253) 571-4754
- Address @ McKinley: 3702 E McKinley Ave, Tacoma, WA 98404
- Fawcett Elementary School Schoology page: https://tps.schoology.com/school/2909062765





TPS Land Acknowledgement

Tacoma Public Schools acknowledges that we are on the traditional ancestral and historical lands of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Puyallup Tribe. This acknowledgement serves as a first step in honoring our nearest tribal neighbors and partners who have inhabited this region since time immemorial, and whom we give thanks for allowing us passage to their lands. We shall intentionally create inclusive and respectful partnerships that honor Indigenous cultures, histories, identities, and sociopolitical realities.









Nondiscrimination Statement

Tacoma Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

Civil Rights Coordinator: Renee Trueblood 253-571-1252, civilrights@tacoma.k12.wa.us

Title IX Coordinator, Elementary: Christa Erolin 253-571-1318, cerolin@tacoma.k12.wa.us

Title IX Coordinator, Secondary: Wayne Greer 253-571-1191, wgreer@tacoma.k12.wa.us;

504 Coordinator, Elementary: Jennifer Herbold 253-571-1096, jherbol@tacoma.k12.wa.us

504 Coordinator, Secondary: Megan Nelson 253-571-1003, mnelson@tacoma.k12.wa.us

Tacoma Public Schools Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1357 Tacoma, WA 98401-1357





Tacoma Public Schools 2022-23 School Year Student Calendar – Updated 6/16/22

1st - 2nd No school

5th Labor Day Holiday

6th - 7th No school

8th First Student Day

13th Kindergarten Start Date

14th Late Starts Begin

17 student days

SEPTEMBER 22							
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b Data Day (no school)

Elementary Conferences
*Early release grades K-5
No late start for elementary
students. Late start for high
school students; 2-hour late
start for middle school
students.

13th-14th All Grades Conferences Early Release grades K-12

20 student days

12th

11th Veterans' Day Holiday

23rd, 24th, 25th Thanksgiving Break

18 student days

NOVEMBER 22							
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5th Elementary Trimester Break *No school for elementary students only

6th 2nd trimester begins

Dec 19 – Dec 30 Winter Break/ No school

11 days – Elementary students 12 days – Secondary students

2nd New Year's Day holiday (observed)

3rd School resumes

16th Martin Luther King Jr. Day

20 student days

JANUARY 23							
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3rd Secondary Semester Break *No school for secondary students only

6th 2nd semester begins

17th Data Day (no school) 20th Presidents' Day Holiday

18 days - Elementary students 17 days - Secondary students

16th – 17th All grades conferences Early Release for all students

20th 3rd trimester begins

23 student days

MARCH 23							
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3rd - 7th Spring Break

15 student days

26th Snow make-up day

29th Memorial Day Holiday

21 student days

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19th Juneteenth holiday (observed)

22rd Last Day of School/ Early Release

23rd, 26th Snow make-up days, if needed

15 student days

