

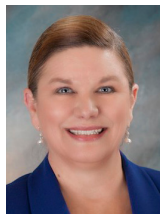


**Edmonds
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Each student learning, every day!

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WOODWAY, AND PORTIONS OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY



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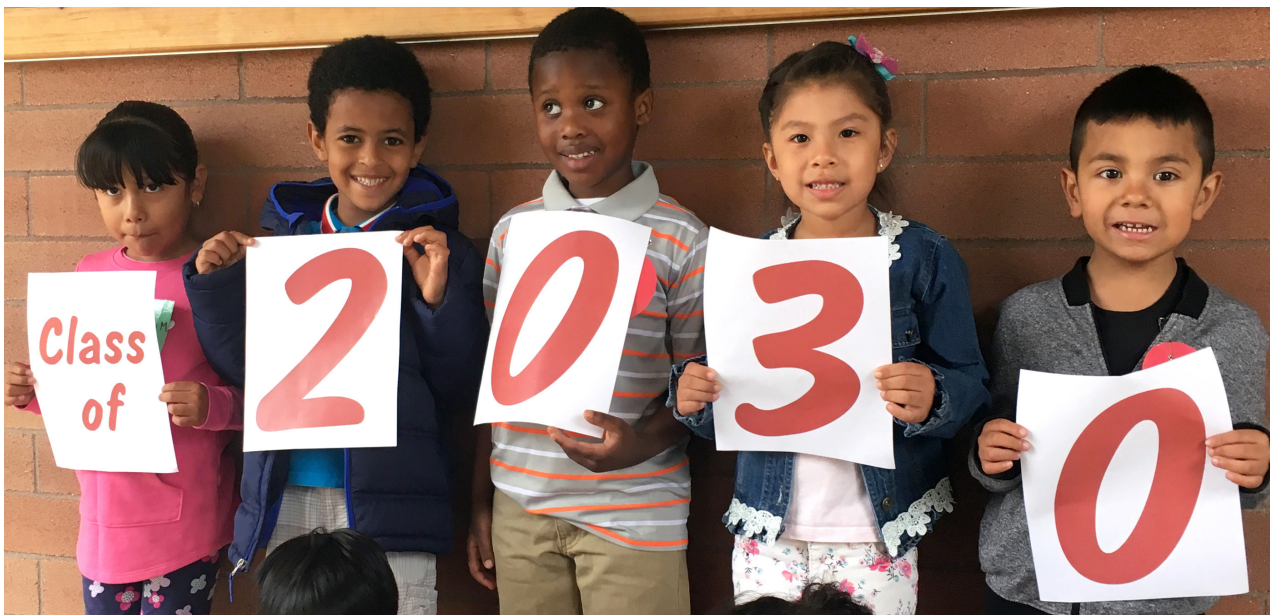
Message from the Superintendent

Dear Edmonds School District Students, Families, Staff & Community,

Welcome to the 2017-2018 School Year! One of the great things about being in public education is that each fall is a new beginning, but this one feels extra special and extra important. We will be learning a lot more over the course of the next few months about the impacts of the new State Funding System. Our Levy in February will be critically important and new rules about levies from the state will be out soon. We will keep you informed

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Welcome to the Kindergarten Class of 2030! Staff and students were excited to be back on the first day of school.

YOUR TAXPAYER DOLLARS AT WORK: NEW SCHOOLS

A FOUNDATION FOR LEARNING

A closer look at Lynnwood Elementary, Mountlake Terrace Elementary, Madrona K-8

New construction is well under way at Lynnwood Elementary School, Mountlake Terrace Elementary School and Madrona K-8 School.

The District is building new

schools thanks to a 2014 voter-approved Capital Construction Bond, coupled with additional revenue from the sale and/or lease of District property.

The Construction Bond proposed modernization of Lynnwood Elementary School and Mountlake Terrace

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SCHOOL PROJECTS AT A GLANCE

Lynnwood Elementary



75,500 square feet

\$38,725,000 total project budget

Sept. 7, 2018 opening date

Mountlake Terrace Elementary



62,500 square feet

\$36,250,000 total project budget

Sept. 7, 2018 opening date

Madrona K-8 School



80,000 square feet

\$49,250,000 total project budget

Sept. 7, 2018 opening date



Site plan for Lynnwood Elementary School.

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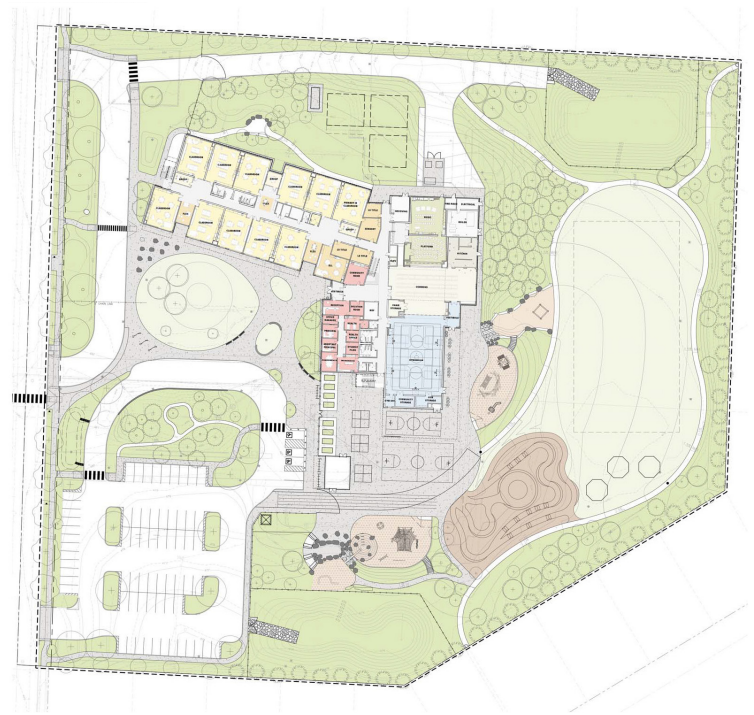
Elementary School, and a replacement Madrona School. With further study, it was determined that the buildings were physically worn-out and no longer functional or conducive to our current educational model.

In January 2016 the School Board approved full replacement, instead of modernization of Lynnwood and Mountlake Terrace elementary schools, with the use of additional revenue from the sale and lease of District property. This decision was made with careful consideration of the schools' physical condition, capacity issues, safety, and inadequacies of current facilities to the educational program.

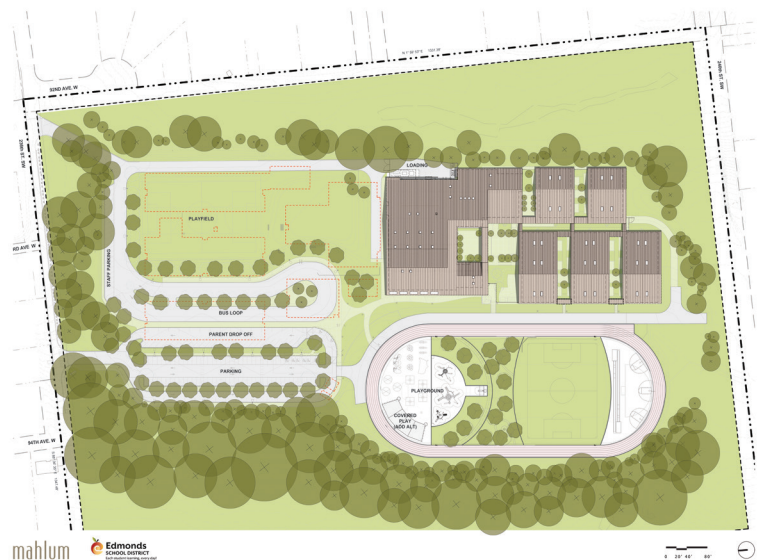
The three schools' design concepts, budgets and schedules are based on the District's Educational Specifications.

The new facilities of Lynnwood Elementary and Mountlake Terrace Elementary feature two-story main classroom buildings and one-story gymnasiums with commons. Both school projects include new playgrounds and equipment, site improvements of existing grass playfields, parking, bus and auto circulation, emergency vehicle access, neighborhood pedestrian connections, security and safety, as well as new stormwater management facilities.

Madrona's new facility features six new buildings; five for classrooms and one for entry, administration, gym, cafeteria, kitchen, library, and the school's music and science programs.



Site plan for Mountlake Terrace Elementary School.



Site plan for Madrona K-8 School.

Scriber Lake Students Bare Souls in Latest Story Collection

For six years, Scriber Lake High students have bared their souls, risking vulnerability through writing.

It's all part of a special writing and publishing program in which students conceive and write a story, see it get released as an anthology, then participate in a book signing and readings.

More to the point, however, the program's goal is to foster healing and literacy through the telling of personal stories.

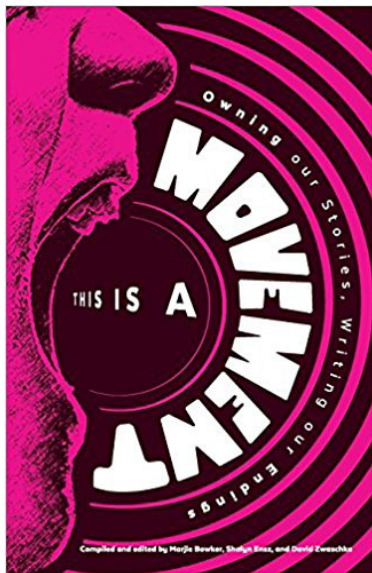
Students have written about gang violence, eating disorders, mental health, death, abuse, deportation and drug use. The first book, "We Are Absolutely Not Okay," paved the way in 2012. Each year, writers provide inspiration for other students to own past traumas and move forward.

The latest book, "This is a Movement: Owing Our Stories, Writing Our Endings" was released earlier this year. A reading and book signing were held at Café Louvre in Edmonds last month.

"I was inspired to write my story after reading Santino Dewyer's (2015) story "Broken Promises," said student Madison Aguilar, author of "She'll Forget



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Later," in the latest release. "I went through a similar situation with my dad. He was never there for me, either, and I couldn't imagine having to explain it to

anyone. I respected that he could do that."

Teachers Marjie Bowker and David Zwaschka lead the program and the school's publishing company, Steep Stairs Press. Recent graduate Shalyn Ensz provided significant contributions to editing and publishing.

"If it wasn't for Shalyn Ensz's story "They," (from "I'm Finally Awake," 2016) I would still be hiding my story from everyone," said Nikolas Cook, author of "Her" in the latest release. "Sometimes it only takes one person to get a lot of people talking."

Save the Date

Wednesday, Nov. 8

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Superintendent's Schools Tour & Breakfast at the Educational Services Center

Thursday, Nov. 9

Early Release (all grades)

Friday, Nov. 10

NO SCHOOL — VETERANS DAY

Tuesday, Nov. 14

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.: School Board Meeting at the Educational Services Center

Wednesday, Nov. 22

NO SCHOOL — Teacher Non-Contract Day

Thursday, Nov. 23

NO SCHOOL — THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Friday, Nov. 24

NO SCHOOL — THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Monday, Nov. 27

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Equity Alliance for Achievement meeting at the Educational Services Center

Tuesday, Nov. 28

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. School Board Meeting at the Educational Services Center

Wednesday, Dec. 6

12:00 p.m. – 3 p.m. Superintendent's Schools Community Tour & Lunch at ESC

Friday, Dec. 8

Early Release (all grades)

Tuesday, Dec. 12

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. School Board Meeting at the Educational Services Center

Monday, Dec. 18 to Monday, Jan. 1

NO SCHOOL — Winter Break

Tuesday, Jan. 9

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.: School Board Meeting at the Educational Services Center

Monday, Jan. 15

NO SCHOOL — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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as we learn more!

We are excited to be working collaboratively to serve our 21,317 students. As a school system, we are deeply committed to ensuring that each and every student is engaged, feels safe, finds joy and is achieving high levels of academic success. Every member of our Team is here to help make that happen.

Our School District's Strategic Direction is framed around our four areas of Commitment: Equity of Opportunity; Effective Learning for All Students; PreK-3rd Grade Early Learning; and Graduates who are Ready for Life! We are developing systems, policies, practices and action plans that support these areas of commitment. There is a lot of great work occurring in each of these areas. We are measuring our progress through a data dashboard of key performance indicators. Much more information can be found on our website under About Us/Strategic Direction.

We cannot do this world's most important work in isolation. We are truly committed to authentic engagement of our families and our community in partnership. Our children will thrive when we come together to create the conditions for their success.

We look forward to a great school year and we thank you for your ongoing support!

Best wishes,
Dr. Kristine McDuffy
Superintendent



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Our Commitment



Equity of Opportunity

- We ensure a foundation of equity by: engaging families, students, and community; strengthening leadership; and rigorous teaching and learning
- We interrupt inequities to eliminate learning gaps based on race, background and/or circumstances
- We hold ourselves accountable to equity



Effective Learning for All Students

- We engage each student in meaningful, relevant learning
- We inspire each student to pursue interests, through higher-level thinking
- We prepare each student to pursue and accomplish their life and work-related goals



PreK-3rd Grade Early Learning

- We respect families as our most important partners
- We collaborate and align with our community partners to maximize early learning
- We create a supportive, equitable foundation for learning



Graduates Who Are Ready for Life

- We develop resilient, participating members of the community
- We equip each student with academic and relational skills
- We prepare each student for changing global realities, technologies and workforce expectations

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