



Fawcett Elementary @ McKinley & Tacoma Public Schools

Resources / Information Updates

August, 2022

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! Please know, once school resumes, you will be receiving our weekly family newsletter, via email, each Sunday afternoon. It will also be posted to our Fawcett Elementary School Facebook & Schoology pages, as well as our website. This will be in lieu of weekly phone robocalls, as you will be able to reference, as needed. Each week, new information will be labeled (*NEW).

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 \(tacomaschools.org\)](https://www.tacomaschools.org/enrollment).

**SAVE THE
DATES!**
**Kindergarten
JUMP START**



All Kindergarten students should plan on attending and are automatically enrolled for Jump Start when they are enrolled in Kindergarten.

August 22 – 25, 2022
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

This exciting four-day summer program is designed to help incoming Kindergarten students feel comfortable, confident, and ready for success in school. This is an opportunity for students to become familiar with their school and classroom, get to know teachers and classmates before school officially starts.

- Breakfast and lunch will be provided
- District transportation is not provided for Kindergarten Jump Start

Questions can be addressed to: Office of Student Life, Summer Learning
summerschool@tacoma.k12.wa.us

Metro Parks Tacoma, Coordinated Care, and Goodwill present



EASTSIDE COMMUNITY
MARKET RESOURCE FAIR *Free*

- Kids Activities
- Entertainment
- Resources to Food & Services

AUGUST 25, 2022 • 2-6 PM
Portland Avenue Park - 3513 Portland Ave E.

First 300 families to attend receive a \$50 Safeway gift card!

 **METROPARKS**  **coordinated care**

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)
- 🌀 September 8th: First Day for 1st-5th Grades
- 🌀 September 13th: First Day for Kindergarten
- 🌀 September 14th: Weekly Wednesday Late Starts Begin, per TPS calendar (see the last page), @ 10 AM

WELCOME!





Meet Your Teacher Event:

FAWCETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

@ McKinley (3702 E McKinley Ave)



Meet Your Teacher



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) 2 Sets of Headphones 2 Plastic Pocket Folders with Prongs (no paper folders please) 2 "My First Ticonderoga" pencils 2 Boxes of Crayola Crayons (24 ct) 2 Boxes of Washable Crayola Markers 2 Sets of Crayola Watercolors 4 Black EXPO Dry Erase Markers 4 Gluesticks 4 Containers of Play-Doh 3 Boxes of Tissues 2 Containers of Sanitizing Wipes 1+Shareable Snack(s) for the Whole Class 1 Box of Ziplock Bags (gallon size) 1 Package of Sheet Protectors	3 boxes of crayons, Crayola 24 count 4 Dry erase markers 2 package of wide tip markers, Crayola 1 package of colored pencils, Crayola 1 pair of Fiskar scissors 1 dozen large glue sticks 1 box of pink erasers 2 primary black and white composition notebooks (only books with the drawing space above the lines) 2 packs of Ticonderoga pencils, pre-sharpened 1 box Kleenex 3 containers of Clorox wipes 1 box of gallon size Ziploc bags 1 bottle of hand sanitizer 1 snack to share with class of 24 (Ritz crackers, goldfish, Cheez-Its, pretzels) 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** Backpack Write name on-individual use 1 pack Whiteboard markers 1 Whiteboard eraser 1 box Colored pencils 2 boxes Markers 2 boxes Crayons 2 Glue sticks 4 Big pink erasers 1 boxTiconderoga pre-sharpened pencils 2 sets Watercolor paint 3 Spiral bound notebookes 2 containers Clorox Wipes 1 Scissors 1 box Sandwich size ziplock bags 4 Pocket folders 1 Headphones (write name on)	1 pkg wide rule paper 4 count Spiral notebooks 2 count highlighters 4 packs of 4 black fine point expo markers 24 count Twistable colored pencils 4 count Pink Bar erasers 1 pack Crayola markers 1 count watercolors 1 count scissors, child blunt tip 1 box ziploc freezer quart size baggies 6 count glue sticks 4 count folders 2 pocket no prongs 2 count sanitizing wipes 1 count headphones (please label with your child's name) 1 count pencil pouch (no pencil boxes, please label with your child's name) 1 count backpack (no rolling backpacks, please label with your child's name) *NO Mechanical Pencils*

FOURTH GRADE SUPPLY LIST	FIFTH GRADE SUPPLY LIST
1 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)	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) 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) 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	

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 2nd**, outside of the cafeteria at McKinley on E McKinley Ave. See picture for reference.

TPS Vaccine Events:

Please visit: [TPS Vaccine Events - Tacoma Public Schools \(tacomaschools.org\)](https://tacomaschools.org/tps-vaccine-events).

Metro Parks Tacoma **Before & After School Care** *at your child's school!*

Metro Parks Tacoma is offering Before & After School Care for K-5 students at four Tacoma Public Schools locations for the 2022-2023 school year.

Schools

- Jennie Reed Elementary (Mann & Whitman transfers)
- Larchmont Elementary (Birney transfers)
- Lyon Elementary (Fawcett transfers)
- Stafford Elementary (Fern Hill transfers)

Dates/Times

- September 12, 2022 - June 16, 2023
- Snacks provided by TPS (PM care only)
- AM Care: 7:15 am - 9 am (10 am Wed.)
- PM Care: 3:30 pm - 6 pm

Pricing

- Full-Time AM/PM: \$500 per month
- Part-Time AM: \$250 per month
- Part-Time PM: \$275 per month



Reserve Your Spot TODAY!

For more information contact tiffany.lemmon@tacomaparks.com or call (253) 719-9472



Register Online for
Before & After School Care

MetroParksTacoma.org/before-and-after-school



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.



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: [Careers - Tacoma Public Schools \(tacomaschools.org\)](https://tacomaschools.org/careers)

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 \(tacomaschools.org\)](https://tacomaschools.org/planning-and-construction)

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:

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:

As a reminder from last year, supervision does not begin until 8:50 AM, 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.*

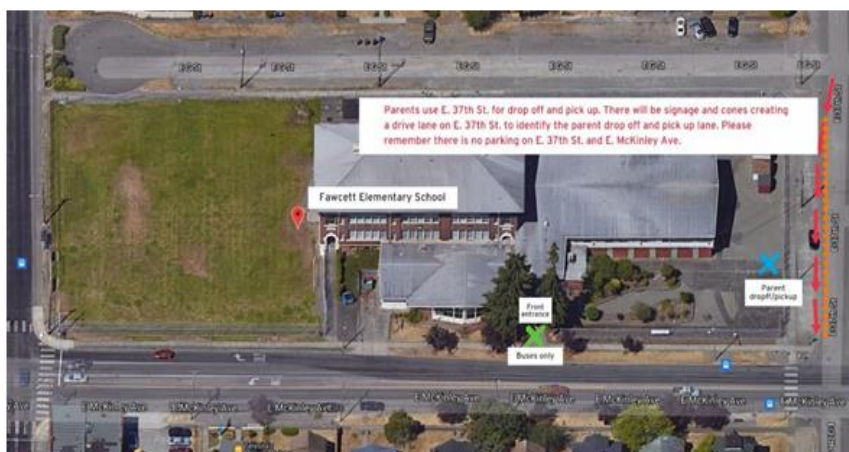
Student drop off, pick up directions

- 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.

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!

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>



If you haven't already, please "Like" our Fawcett Elementary School Facebook page, as we are frequently adding a variety of additional resources, tips, ideas, and opportunities: www.facebook.com/FawcettFalcons. Please know, if you have questions regarding anything posted on our Facebook page, we encourage you to call the main office to ask, or email, instead of messaging or posting on our page. This will get you the quickest response.

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



SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
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FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
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- First Day of School Grades K-12 (Sept. 8)
- No School for All Grades
- No School for Middle & High School Only
- No School (Snow Make-Up Day if Needed)
- Conferences (Early Release) Oct. 12: Elementary Conferences Only, Early release grades K-5. No late start for elementary students. 1-hour late start for high school students. 2-hour late start for middle school students.
- Kindergarten Starts
- No School for Elementary Only
- Late Start
- Last Day of School Early Release (Jun. 16)

Tacoma Public Schools 2022-23 School Year Student Calendar – Updated 07/06/22

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						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				N	N	3
4	H	N	N	SS	9	10
11	12	KS	LS	15	16	17
18	19	20	LS	22	23	24
25	26	27	LS	29	30	

OCTOBER 22						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	3	4	LS	6	N	8
9	10	11	LS	E	E	15
16	17	18	LS	20	21	22
23	24	25	LS	27	28	29
30	31					

7th Data Day (no school)

12th 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

11th Veterans' Day Holiday

23rd, 24th, 25th
Thanksgiving Break

18 student days

NOVEMBER 22						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	LS	3	4	5
6	7	8	LS	10	H	12
13	14	15	LS	17	18	19
20	21	22	N	H	H	26
27	28	29	LS			

DECEMBER 22						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	*5	6	LS	8	9	10
11	12	13	LS	15	16	17
18	N	N	N	N	H	24
25	H	N	N	N	H	31

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						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	H	3	LS	5	6	7
8	9	10	LS	12	13	14
15	H	17	LS	19	20	21
22	23	24	LS	26	27	28
29	30	31				

FEBRUARY 23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			LS	2	*3	4
5	6	7	LS	9	10	11
12	13	14	LS	N	N	18
19	H	21	LS	23	24	25
26	27	28				

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

6th 2nd semester begins

16th Data Day (no school)
17th Snow make-up day
20th Presidents' Day Holiday

17 days – Elementary students
16 days – Secondary students

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

20th 3rd trimester begins

23 student days

MARCH 23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			LS	2	3	4
5	6	7	LS	9	10	11
12	13	14	LS	E	E	18
19	20	21	LS	23	24	25
26	27	28	LS	30	31	

APRIL 23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1
2	N	N	N	N	N	8
9	10	11	LS	13	14	15
16	17	18	LS	20	21	22
23	24	25	LS	27	28	29
30						

3rd – 7th Spring Break

15 student days

26th Snow make-up day

29th Memorial Day Holiday

21 student days

MAY 23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	LS	4	5	6
7	8	9	LS	11	12	13
14	15	16	LS	18	19	20
21	22	23	LS	25	S	27
28	H	30	LS			

JUNE 23						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	LS	8	9	10
11	12	13	LS	15	16	17
18	H	20	21	22	E	24
25	S	S	28	29	30	

19th Juneteenth Holiday

23rd Last Day of School/
Early Release

26th – 27th Snow make-up days, if
needed

16 student days

N = Non-School Day H = Holiday (no school) SS = School Starts KS = Kindergarten Start Date
L = Late Start Day E = Early Release S = Snow Make-Up Day