



Fawcett Elementary @ McKinley & Tacoma Public Schools

Resources / Information Updates

September, 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).

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) – *if you took your TPS laptop home over the summer, please bring to this event!*
- ☀ September 8th: First Day for 1st-5th Grades --*if you took your TPS laptop home over the summer, and did not bring it to Meet Your Teacher, please bring on the first day of school!*
- ☀ September 13th: First Day for Kindergarten & “Bye-Bye Breakfast” (see below)
- ☀ September 14th: Weekly Wednesday Late Starts Begin, per TPS calendar (see the last page), @ 10 AM

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!**

Join us to meet our building Principals and mingle with other Kindergarten families.

Enjoy a donut and go home with a goodie bag to help your student this year!

Bye Bye Breakfast

For Kindergarten Parents/Guardians

- Fawcett at McKinley
- 3702 McKinley Ave
- Tuesday, Sept. 13th
- 9:10-9:45 AM

Late Starts:

All schools begin one hour later on Wednesday mornings, except when noted otherwise on the TPS elementary calendar. Please refer to the last page of our weekly newsletter for the updated TPS elementary student calendar.

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 notebooks 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 above for reference.

Transportation:

Students transportation for the 2022-23 school year will default to how they were transported last year (i.e. bus or car line/pick-up). If you are unsure or need to make a change, please reach out to Ms. Kelly at (253) 571-4737 or kpenswi@tacoma.k12.wa.us.

Bus #:	Color	Coded:	Stop Description:	A.M	P.M
14	Orange		S J ST & S 63RD ST *SEC	8:42	3:44
14	Orange		S 64TH ST & S M ST *NEC	8:43	3:45
14	Orange		S 70TH ST & S L ST *NEC	8:46	3:48
14	Orange		S 70TH ST & S J ST *NEC	8:46	3:48
14	Orange		866 S 64TH ST	8:49	3:51
21	White		S 62ND ST & A ST - SWC	8:29	3:47
21	White		A ST & E 58TH ST - SEC	8:31	3:50
21	White		FAWCETT AV & S 58TH ST - NWC	8:34	3:45
21	White		E E ST & E 54TH ST - SEC	8:39	3:40
21	White		E TANGLEWOOD AV & E C ST - NEC	8:41	3:42
58	Green		E D ST & E 62ND ST - NWC	8:28	3:42
58	Green		E D ST & E 65TH ST	8:32	3:44
58	Green		E E ST & E 69TH ST	8:35	3:46
68	Yellow		TACOMA AVE S & S 72ND ST *NEC	8:34	3:57
68	Yellow		S 68TH ST & TACOMA AVE S *NWC	8:36	3:54
68	Yellow		TACOMA AV S & S 65TH ST - SEC	8:37	3:55
68	Yellow		S PARK AVE & S 67TH ST *SEC	8:39	3:50
68	Yellow		S PARK AVE & S 64TH ST *SEC	8:40	3:48
68	Yellow		S PARK AVE & S 56TH ST *SEC	8:42	3:43
68	Yellow		S 55TH ST & S D ST - SWC	8:44	3:40
68	Yellow		1721 E 56TH ST - MILGARD B&G CLUB		4:08
81	Purple		TACOMA AV S & S 61ST ST - SEC	8:30	3:47
81	Purple		PACIFIC AV & S 60TH ST - NWC	8:33	3:41
81	Purple		S C ST & S 63RD ST - NWC	8:34	3:43
81	Purple		S C ST S 67TH ST - NWC	8:35	3:44
81	Purple		A ST & E 68TH ST - SEC	8:37	3:51
81	Purple		A ST & E 65TH ST - SEC	8:39	3:54

Good to Know:

SEC=Southeast Corner SWC=Southwest Corner NEC= Northeast Corner NWC= Northwest Corner

Late Start Wednesday's the bus will pick-up 1 hour later

If your child's afterschool plans change from what they would normally do please notify the office by 2:45p.m

First Student Transportation Phone Number: 253.272.7750 x9

Fawcett Office: 253.571.4700

FAWCETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



OPEN HOUSE



Thursday, October 6th from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Fawcett @ McKinley (3702 E McKinley Ave)

PRESCHOOL - FIFTH GRADES

- **Transition to your child's classroom: 6:00-6:05 PM**
- **Session 1: 6:05-6:25 PM**
- **Transition for families with more than one Fawcett student: 6:25-6:30 PM**
- **Session 2: 6:35-6:55 PM**
- **Please know we will have informational booths and resources available!**



TPS Vaccine Events & Staying Healthy:

Please visit: [TPS Vaccine Events - Tacoma Public Schools \(tacomaschools.org\)](https://www.tacomaschools.org). If your child needs any of the required back-to-school immunizations, they can get them free of charge at events run by our school district and MultiCare.

COVID-19 Updates (*NEW):

The health of our students and staff is a top priority. As we begin the new school year, we want to share updated COVID-19 information and the [Washington State Department of Health guidance](#).

All students who test positive for COVID-19 are required to isolate at home for at least five full days, regardless of vaccination status.

They can return to school on day six if:

- They have no symptoms, or symptoms are improving, AND
- They've had no fever in the past 24 hours without fever-reducing medication

Please notify **the main office immediately, at 253.571.4700**, if your child tests positive.

Get more information on our COVID-19 FAQ page.

Restricting the Release of Student Information (*NEW):

TPS highlights the great work and accomplishments of students throughout our schools. Student stories can include a wide range of directory information, photos and video. If you would like to restrict the release of your child's information, please complete this form.

Update Your Contact Information:

The best way to stay informed on what's happening at school is to ensure your contact information is current with our school's main office. To receive updates by text message, take two steps. First, make sure our office has your cell phone number. Second, text "Yes" to 67587 to opt in.

Access Compass: The TPS Family App:

Use [Compass: The TPS Family App](#) to access your student's courses, register your student for clubs and activities, and make online payments. The welcome screen may look different than last year, but you can use your same login information if you already have an account.

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://www.tacomaschools.org)

Plan for After-School Activities:

Elementary students can once again participate in before and after school programs and clubs through our Beyond the Bell program. Get more information and register on [Compass: The TPS Family App](#)

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.jemmon@tacomaparks.com or call (253) 719-9472



Register Online for
Before & After School Care

MetroParksTacoma.org/before-and-after-school



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.

Bookmark our school's menus (breakfast & lunch online): [Tacoma Public Schools | My School Menus](#)

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.



2022-2023 YEAR AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
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FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
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First Day of School Grades 1-12 (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)	

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS
EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.

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
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