

Parent Orientation for Kindergarteners

2023-2024

January 24, 6:00 pm



- Welcome to Newcastle Elementary Dr. Tod Wood, Principal
- Family Liaison Ina Ghangurde
- Newcastle PTSA Mary Vickers
- Registration Materials\Timeline Pam Stucky, Registrar
- Immunizations\Health Forms Jamie Heintz, Nurse
- Q & A

Cultural and Family Partnerships



The Issaquah School District supports students' success by supporting families. To eliminate barriers and provide full access to all the educational opportunities in our district, we provide families supports such as Parent Workshops, access to Family Liaisons and resources to help staff better support our students and families.



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English, Marathi, Hindi

At Newcastle on Thursday morning but available any time

The Family Liaison role:

- Introduce, facilitate access and aid in navigation of appropriate school and District resources available to students and their families
- Work with registrar, school counselor, nurse and admin to connect and support families.
- Initiate and maintain verbal and written communication as appropriate with families, particularly our culturally and linguistically diverse families and traditionally marginalized groups.
- Support school in planning Family Partnership Events



Family Partnership Liaisons

- Supports families new to the Issaquah School District
- Helps families navigate the school system
- Helps new families with registration process or enrollment verification process (interpretation to complete forms or to answer questions)
- Helps families find out about academic and financial resources available to students and families
- Helps facilitate [events](#) such as parent information night for culturally and linguistically diverse families.

Please contact a Family Partnership Liaison or the school office if you need help completing any of the registration forms or if you have questions about the school.

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♥ Welcome to Kindergarten



When: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M.

Where: Zoom – Presentations in English, Español and 中文 [Register for the event](#)

Who: All parents and caregivers of incoming kindergarten students 2023-2024.

What: Information will include:

- Kindergarten preparedness
- general school day schedule (lunch and classroom general information
- transportation
- immunization
- on-site before and after school care program
- differences between school systems in US vs s



The event is designed for families new to US public schools.

If you need interpretation in another language (한국어, 日本語, русский or Tiếng Việt) or have any questions, please contact Ina Ghangurde ghangurdei@issaguah.wednet.edu



We can help you in your language!

Please let us know if you need an interpreter or a document translated into your language—at no cost to you.

English

¡Podemos brindarle asistencia en español!

Por favor háganos saber si necesita un intérprete o un documento traducido a su idioma. Este servicio es gratuito.

Spanish

Мы можем помочь вам с переводом на русский язык!

Сообщите нам, если вам нужен устный перевод или перевод документа на ваш язык—бесплатно для вас.

Russian

Chúng tôi có thể giúp quý vị bằng tiếng Việt!

Xin cho chúng tôi biết nếu quý vị cần thông dịch viên hay cần phiên dịch tài liệu qua ngôn ngữ của quý vị—được miễn phí.

我們可以用中文向您提供幫助！

請告訴我們您是否需要我們向您提供免費口譯員服務或將文件翻譯成您使用的語言。

Chinese

한국어 지원 서비스가 제공됩니다!

통역사가 필요하시거나 귀하의 언어로 번역된 문서가 필요하시다면 저희에게 알려 주십시오. 부담하시는 비용은 없습니다.

Korean

Ми можемо надати вам інформацію українською мовою!

Якщо вам потрібен перекладач або переклад того чи іншого документу українською мовою, просимо повідомити нам про це—послуга безкоштовна.

Ukrainian

يمكننا مساعدتك باللغة العربية!

يرجى إعلامنا إذا ما كنت بحاجة إلى مترجم فوري أو إلى ترجمة مستند إلى لغتك، دون تكلفة عليك.

Arabic

Completing forms and communicating with the school

Please let any school staff know if you need help completing forms or if you have questions.

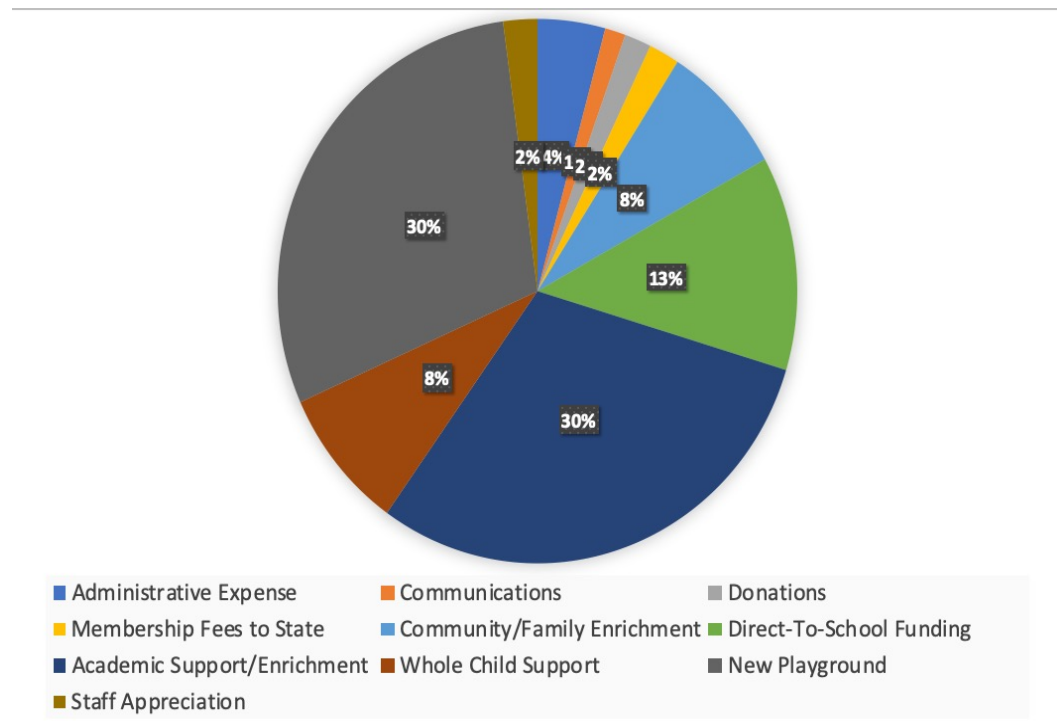


What is a PTSA?

Parent
Teacher
Student
Association

The Newcastle Elementary PTSA is a non-profit organization which supports the children and families of Newcastle Elementary School. In partnership with families, the community, teachers, and staff, we provide the funding, programs, and volunteers to *enrich the educational experience for every child.*

What does our PTSA fund?





Testimonial

I'm grateful for Newcastle PTSA. The past years of been challenging and our PTSA has been there support teachers. I'm thankful for the creative ways they support our students. My students were sad that there wasn't a Harvest Festival this year, but the PTSA provided activities for us to do in the classroom. My classroom was filled with smiles and laughs as we created spiders and played bingo. I'm also thankful for the endless supplies of treats and snacks. There is ALWAYS a Diet Coke when I need a pick me up!!



Mrs. Posten,
3rd Grade





Teacher Grants



LionArt



**Playground
Equipment**



Kinder Connect



Reflections



**Science
Enrichment
Activities**



**Staff
Appreciation**



Book Fair



Spirit Wear



Yearbook



Angel Program



Fall Event

BE A PART OF OUR PTSA!



Qualifications for Kindergarten Registration

- Your child must be 5 by August 31, 2023.
- Live in Newcastle Attendance Area.
- Complete the online registration process.
- Provide required documents as requested following registration.



Documents Required to Complete Online Registration

- Birth Certificate or Passport
- Record of Immunizations
- Purchase or Lease Agreement
- Utility Bill
- Parent/Guardian Picture ID



Your Next Steps...

Once your online application is approved, Pam will contact you with a timeline to pick up your *Kindergarten Information Packet*.

This packet includes additional materials that are required and will need to be completed and returned to the office.

Kindergarten Timeline 2023

February

Feb 1: Kindergarten Registration Opens

- All incoming 2023 Kindergarten student needs to complete the [ISD New Student Enrollment](#) website

March

**Online Registration is required
(ends March 3)**

March 3: Kindergarten Registration due

Kindergarten screener for your child in March or April

- Your school will contact you
- You go with your child to the screener
- The screener is reading and math (letters, sounds, numbers, counting and a few words)

March 15: Informational Event - Kindergarten families new to US public school system

- Information shared: Differences between US and other countries school systems / General classroom / Transportation / Lunch / On-site before and after school care programs
- Each elementary school will host a specific event to welcome kindergarten families.
- Presented by ISD Family Partnership staff in English, Spanish, and Chinese. [Register for the event](#)

July

Pre-K Summer school is
by invitation

Dates TBD: Pre-K Summer School (*by invitation only*)

- Focus on reading skills and introduction to school
- Free transportation
- Prepares students for Kindergarten

August

August 10: “Come, ride along” on the Yellow School Bus - Optional
10:00 am – 1:00 pm

- Visit the ISD Kindergarten Transportation webpage to register

Route Information: New students registered in the ISD by August 1st will be able get route information by the end of August. Go to the ISD Transportation website for route information

Online Enrollment Verification - Aug 2023

- All Families with children registered in the ISD will need to complete this process via Skyward. Details to follow in E-News.

“Tools4Schools” – Optional

Issaquah Schools Foundation provides free backpacks and school supplies for families who need financial assistance. These are available at each school in August 2023. Use this link for information and to register: <https://issaquahfoodbank.org/tools4school>

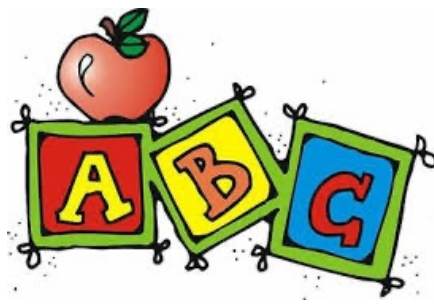
August 29 – First Day of School for grades 1-12

September 1 – First Day of School for Kindergarteners*

***August 29, 30 and 31 – Kindergarten families are invited to a family connection meeting with your child’s Kindergarten teacher during the first three school calendar days. This meeting is required.**

September

Family Connection
Meeting (Required)



Timeline of Events and Highlights

- March 3 Deadline to complete online registration and provide additional documents
- March/April Pre-Kinder Assessment Appointments
- August 10 Kindergarten Bus Ride-Along (see packet to register)
- Mid-Aug Online Enrollment Verification for All Students
- August Kindergarten Family Connection Meetings
29, 30, & 31
- Sept 1 First day of class for Kindergarten Students

Any Questions? Please contact Pam Stucky at 425.837.5802 or email her at stuckyp@issaquah.wednet.edu



2023 Kindergarten Ride Along – Invitation to Ride the Bus

When: Thursday, August 10

The ISD Transportation department invites you take a free school bus ride before school starts in September!

Look for more details included in your packet.



HEALTH CONDITIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

- If your child has any health condition that could be considered life-threatening such as asthma, food allergies, seizures, diabetes.....
- According to the law, your child must have an emergency health plan, which includes medication orders from your child's health care provider in place before he/she can attend school.
- Forms will be sent to family after review of questionnaire by Nurse.

Immunizations & Life-Threatening Health Conditions

for Students

New to the Issaquah School
District Including Incoming Kindergarten
Students

2023-24



Medically Verified Immunization Records

- Students new to the Issaquah School District and incoming Kindergarten students need to provide a medically verified immunization record at the time of registration.
- A medically verified record can come directly from the **Washington State Immunization Information System (WAIS)**.
- **The WAIS** is the database for Washington State and is where medically verified immunization information is maintained. All parents have access to this site to print a validated Certificate of Immunization (**CIS**) for students. Health Care Practitioner offices also have this information for their families.

Acceptable Immunization Documentation Includes ONE of the Following:

- A Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) printed from the (WAIS)
- A physical copy of the State CIS form with a healthcare provider signature.
- A physical copy of the CIS with accompanying medical immunization records from a healthcare provider verified and signed by school staff
- A CIS printed from MyIR.

Wa.myir.net

Washington State Department of Health **Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS)** Reviewed by: _____ Date: _____
Signed CIS: No Yes No

Please print. See back for instructions on how to fill out this form or get it printed from the Washington State Immunization Information System.

Child's Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Birthdate (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

I give permission for my child's school/child care to add immunization information into the Immunization Information System to help the school maintain my child's record. Conditional Status: Only if I acknowledge that my child is entering school/child care in conditional status. For my child to remain in school, I must provide request of documentation of immunization by established deadline. See back for guidance on conditional status.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature Required if Starting in Conditional Status: _____ Date: _____

Required by School - Required Child Care Provider	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY	MM/DD/YY
Required Vaccines for School or Child Care Entry							
• A DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis)							
• A Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis) (grade 7)							
• A DT or Td (Tetanus, Diphtheria)							
• A Hepatitis B							
• Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b)							
• A IPV (Polio) (see combination of IPV/IPV)							
• A OPV (Polio)							
• A MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)							
• MCV2/PPV2 (Pneumococcal)							
• A Varicella (Chickenpox)							
□ History of disease verified by ID#							
Recommended Vaccines (Not Required for School or Child Care Entry)							
COVID-19							
Flu (Influenza)							
Hepatitis A							
IPV (Inactivated Poliovirus)							
MMV2/PPV2V (Pneumococcal Vaccine ages 6-17)							
Shingles (Herpes zoster type 9)							
Rotavirus							

Documentation of Disease Immunity (Health care provider use only)

If the child named in this CIS has a history of varicella (chickenpox) disease or was disease immunity by blood test (titer), it must be verified by a health care provider.

I certify that the child named on this CIS has:
 A verified history of varicella (chickenpox) disease.
 Laboratory evidence of immunity (titer) to disease(s) checked below.

<input type="checkbox"/> Diphtheria	<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis A	<input type="checkbox"/> Hepatitis B
<input type="checkbox"/> Hib	<input type="checkbox"/> Measles	<input type="checkbox"/> Mumps
<input type="checkbox"/> Rubella	<input type="checkbox"/> Tetanus	<input type="checkbox"/> Varicella

Polio (all 3 categories must show immunity)

Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Licensed Health Care Provider Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Printed Name: _____

I certify that the information provided on this form is correct and verifiable. Health Care Provider or School Official Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
 If verified by school or child care staff the medical immunization records must be attached to this document.

Required Immunizations for New Students

- 2 MMR's (measles, mumps and rubella) given in the appropriate time frames
- 5 doses of DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus & pertussis) given in the appropriate time frames
- 2 doses of varicella given in the appropriate time frames
- 4 doses of polio (IPV) given in a specific time frames
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B, given in the appropriate time frames
- 1 Tdap for students 7th grade and above
- Vaccines against COVID-19 are not required for school attendance.

30 Day Conditional Status from the First Day of Attendance no Longer in Effect

Students will need a completed CIS or **Certificate of Exemption (COE)** on file at school **before the first day of attendance**.

If students are missing doses, they will need to get **all the doses they are eligible** to receive **before** starting school. They can then attend school in a Conditional Status until the minimum valid date of the next vaccine is reached. They then have 30 calendar days to turn in documentation of having received the dose. This continues on until all vaccines have been administered and documented.

Example

- If a child has all their immunizations except the 2-dose MMR series, and they get dose 1 of the MMR the day before school starts and it is documented with the school that day, the child can enter school because...
 - Dose 2 of the MMR cannot be given until 28 days after the first dose.
 - Beginning on day 29 after the first dose, the child has 30 days to get MMR dose #2.

MY CHILD IS NOT 5 YEARS OLD YET...

Children can receive their school immunizations at age 4. Contact your healthcare provider to schedule your appointment.



We are moving from another state and cannot find our immunization records. Now what?



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- Immunization records from another state's immunization registry are accepted as medically verified records.

OR

- Call your provider in the state you moved from and have them send the immunization records directly to the school either by fax or by email.

We are moving from another country and cannot find our child's immunization records. What do we do?

- Immunizations verified by the Immigration Dept are accepted
- If possible, contact the provider in your first country via email or phone to have them send you the records
- Get established with a provider in this country. They can order lab titers to be drawn which will determine if your child has immunity to the different diseases.



WHERE CAN I GET MY CHILD IMMUNIZED?

- **Your healthcare provider**
- **WithinReach, Family Health Hotline:**
800-322-2588
<http://www.withinreachwa.org/>
- **Community Health Access Program:**
206-284-0331 or 800-756-5437
<https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/locations/health-insurance/access-and-outreach/community-health-access-program.aspx>

SUMMARY of IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

- Your student may register for school, but MAY NOT attend school until provider-verified immunizations have been received and validated by the school nurse.
- The child must have all immunizations they are eligible to receive prior to starting school.
- Or there is a **Certificate of Exemption** on file signed by the parent AND the licensed healthcare provider.

Please Notify the School if your Child has a Life-Threatening Health Condition such as:

- A severe allergy for which an epinephrine auto injector device (EpiPen™) has been prescribed.
- Diabetes
- Severe asthma
- A seizure disorder
- A cardiac condition
- Adrenal Insufficiency
- Other conditions of concern

Why does the school need to know if my child has one of these conditions?

- If your child has a life-threatening condition, WA state law says there must be an emergency care plan and any associated medication in place in the school building before the child can attend school.
- This is to keep the student safe in the event they experience a medical emergency during the school day.
- If your child has a life-threatening condition, please contact the school nurse in your child's school before the student attends.

Questions?



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SCHOOL DISTRICT 411



DAYS OF OPERATION

MONDAY – FRIDAY

School break services are available through a separate registration process

PROGRAM HOURS

6:30 AM – school start
School end – 6:30 PM

There is no care provided during the school day for ½ day kindergarten students.

LOCATIONS

All 16 Elementary Schools

SCHOOL AGE CARE

SERVING K-5 STUDENTS

The Before and After School Care Program (BASC) provides a positive environment for children to grow socially, emotionally, and intellectually under the guidance of our well-trained team. We offer diverse activities to meet the interests and skill levels of our participants, including STEM, cooperative games, community service learning, art, and cooking.

During out of school time, children will be able to access many areas of our schools, including the gym, playground, and multi-purpose room. In addition to our well stocked club rooms, we provide a designated homework time, morning and afternoon snacks, family nights, enrichment activities, school break care, and summer day camps.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

www.isd411.org

Programs and Services ->
Before and After School Care ->
Registration Information

QUESTIONS?

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Questions?