

**BROOKSIDE BIRD'S EYE VIEW**

Calendar

March

3-26	PTA Mtg & Internet Safety 7-8:30 music rm.
3-27	Early Release 1:50
3-27	6th Gr. Eastside Band Concert @ SCrest 7:30

April

4-1	4th/5th gr. Parents Camp Orkila Mtg 6-7:30
4-3	Early Release 1:50
4-6	PTA Auction @SCrest
4-10	Early Release 1:50
4-12	Class Pictures
4-13	Pool Party 4-6 MLTerrace Pool
4-17	Early Release 1:50
4-18	Gr. 3 + rm. 106 music concert 6:30
4-19	Salmon Release
4-22/26	No School - Spring Break
4-27	Mariner Game 6:10

Thank you

Thanks to all of the 3rd grade parents who prepared a wonderful lunch for the staff last month. They were recognized in the last Bird's Eye. Jill Dorsey, Annthea Vining, and Michiko Kawakami were left off of the list.

2019-2020

Please welcome new neighbors and encourage them to come in to the school office to register for next school year ASAP.

Planning Ahead for 2019-2020

Sept. 4, 2019	First day of school
Nov. 28-29	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 23-Jan. 3	Winter Break
Feb. 17-21	Mid-Winter Break
April 20-24	Spring Break
June 18	Tentative last day of school



Parent Input

As we enter the final months of school our staff is hard at work planning the educational program for the 2019-2020 school year and making decisions that will individually benefit your child. One of the most critical pieces of work will be constructing the classroom communities in which children will reside next year. We think intensively and intentionally about those placement decisions. Here are some of the guiding criteria that we use in those efforts:

- Maintain an equal academic distribution of students
- Maintain an equal distribution of students who have a positive influence
- Maintain a balance of boys and girls
- Accommodate special academic and social needs
- Promote a social mix that will help support purposeful, on task teaching and learning

There may be circumstances we are not aware of or needs your child has that you would like to be sure we take into account as we build classrooms. Please use the Parent Input Form, available in the office, to communicate that information to us. They are due May 17, 2019



Dress Code

It looks like we've finally come around to the warmer part of the year! Students often change their dressing habits the closer we get to summer. Please guide your children each day to wear sensible shoes that would allow them to run. Even on days that your child does not have PE, our students have recesses and teacher sometimes do various warm-ups or quick runs to keep kids' blood pumping and minds focused. Students should wear clothes that cover them and don't provide distraction to others. If you have questions, feel free to let me know.

Positivity is key when talking to your child about grades

Your child's report card came home and it was disappointing. You know she has the ability to do well. Her teachers have told you that every year. But she doesn't work up to her potential. What should you do?

The most important thing to remember is to keep your emotions in check. Getting angry or showing your disappointment just won't help. Instead, look for ways to encourage your child to do the best she can.

After you have had time to "digest" your child's report card:

- **Ask her to talk** about her grades. What does *she* think is going on? Does she complete her class work in school? Is she turning in her homework on time? Does she understand the lessons? Does she think there is anything she could do differently?
- **Talk with her teacher.** Are there any issues at school? Discuss ways you can work together to boost your child's performance. Perhaps your child could stay after school for extra help.
- **Enforce a regular homework time.** During that time, the TV should be off and the computer should be used only for studying. Set a timer for 20 minutes, then let her take a short break before getting back to work.
- **Offer support.** Provide help when necessary, but don't *ever* do your child's homework for her. Let your child take responsibility for completing her work. It's the only way she will get the practice she needs to succeed in school and in life.

Source: The Parent Institute, March 2019.



From the Health Office

With the start of warmer weather, remember to keep those kids hydrated. It seems like we're always hearing about how important it is to drink a lot of water. Our bodies constantly lose water - when we sweat, exercise, and go to the bathroom - so we need to replace it. And when it's warm out or you're exercising, it's important to drink extra water. A person can feel sick by not having enough water. Signs of not drinking enough are feeling dizzy, lightheaded, headache, having a dry or sticky mouth and producing less and darker urine. Please encourage water at home and send your child with a water bottle to school.



State Testing

Please try to not schedule dental or doctor appointments or vacations during our testing window - May 7 through May 28. Your cooperation is much appreciated. Please visit this site for a more detailed schedule. <https://www.shorelineschools.org/cms/lib/WA02217114/Centricity/ModuleInstance/906/2018-2019%20SBA%20Schedule%20for%20Brookside.pdf>

Hi-Cap Drop-In Event

Wondering whether your Hi-Cap student should stay at their neighborhood school to receive services or transfer to a magnet program?

The Shoreline Hi-Cap Parent Association (SHCPA) will be hosting an informal drop-in event for new and prospective Hi-Cap parents on Tuesday, April 9, from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Ridgecrest Elementary, in the cafeteria. 16516 10th Ave NE.

This will be an excellent opportunity for parents to inquire about Highly Capable Services from current Hi-Cap parents from both our magnet schools and neighborhood schools.

Questions: please email shoreline.hicap.advocacy@gmail.com

**BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY
REQUEST FOR PLANNED ABSENCE TO BE EXCUSED**

Use this form when your child will have a planned absence that does **NOT** fall into the situations shown at the end of this form. You can find the complete Shoreline School District Attendance Policy (3122) on the district website.

PRIOR APPROVAL IS REQUIRED

Please send this form to our registrar at least 14 school days prior to your planned absence. You can drop it off in our main office or email it to us at: bks.attendance@shorelineschools.org

Student Name: _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Date(s) of Absence: _____ Reason for Absence: _____

Best Phone/Email Contact: _____

Describe your plans to maintain the student's academic skills: _____

Make-up assignments may not be provided in advance. The teacher may require some work to be completed upon the student's return.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Relationship to Student

You do **NOT** need to use this form for these situations:

1. Participation in a district or school approved activity or instructional program.
2. Illness, health condition or medical appointment (including, but not limited to, medical, counseling, dental or optometry).
3. Family emergency, including, but not limited to, a death or illness in the family.
4. Religious or cultural purpose including observance of a religious or cultural holiday or participation in religious or cultural instruction.
5. Court, judicial proceeding or serving on a jury.
6. Post-secondary, technical school or apprenticeship program visitation, or scholarship interview.
7. State-recognized search and rescue activities consistent with RCW 28A.225.055.
8. Absence directly related to the student's homeless status.
9. Absence resulting from a disciplinary/corrective action. (e.g., short-term or long-term suspension, emergency expulsion).

For Office Use Only

Teacher feedback:

Student is achieving at or above grade level? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Teacher Signature

Date

Other Considerations (if any): _____

Administrative Decision: ☐ Excused ☐ Unexcused

Principal/Designee Signature

Date



SHORECREST PRESENTS

ASTRONOMY ***NIGHT*** **FREE!**

April 2nd 2019 Family Friendly!

6:30 - 8:30 Rain or Shine!

Shorecrest Highschool
15343 25th Ave NE
Shoreline WA
Crafts, Activities,
Displays, Robots,
and more!

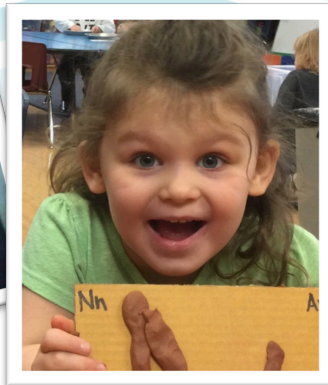


BRINGING THE GALAXY TO YOUR DOORSTEP!

S H O R E L I N E C H I L D R E N ' S C E N T E R

SUMMER CAMP

Registration Begins March 18!



- Fun Weekly Themes
- Group Games to Build Friendships
- New Arts & Crafts Every Week
- Great Spaces for Outdoor and Gym Play

SHORELINE

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Experienced School District staff welcome campers to build friendships, skills and happy memories, indoors and outdoors, with a healthy mix of fun and adventure, familiar traditions and new experiences!

Camp Locations and Tuition

**Preschool & Kindergarten
Campers**

**Weekly Tuition
\$230-\$330**

Edwin Pratt
Early Learning Center
1900 N 170th St, Shoreline

**1st through 6th Grade
Campers**

**Weekly Tuition
\$220-\$240**

Meridian Park
Elementary School Campus
17077 Meridian Ave N, Shoreline

For more information:

Visit: www.shorelineschools.org/Page/6285

Call 206 393-4350, e-mail elc.office@shorelineschools.org

Or stop by our office at the new Edwin Pratt Early Learning Center!



**Highland Terrace Elementary
presents an evening with
educational consultant Aidan Key**

**Tuesday, April 9th
6:30-8:00pm**

in the Highland Terrace Cafeteria

We will be focusing on:

- Engaging in a shared learning experience around the topic of gender diversity
- Working together to develop an inclusive elementary school for LGBTQ students and families in a way that meets the developmental range of K-6 learners.

About Gender Diversity:

Gender Diversity increases the awareness and understanding of the wide range of gender diversity in children, adolescents, and adults by providing family support, building community, increasing societal awareness, and improving the well-being for people of all gender identities and expressions.