

RAM News

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Auction & Food Truck Rodeo

Equity is the quality of being fair or impartial, but more importantly, from an education standpoint we need to think of equity in terms of getting every individual student what they need to be successful in school. It is always my goal to see all of my actions as Ridgecrest's Dean through an equity lens and to do that for all students and families. Equity is an attainable yet challenging ideal that we pursue at Ridgecrest Elementary, and one of the tools that we use against inequity is to shine a light in places where we may find it. That may be in the cafeteria if a family cannot afford a meal, and that might be for a field trip or camp that some families cannot afford to attend, and that might be in our after school programs. It was through that equity lens that we sought a solution to some students' inability to attend after care programs due to transportation by taking those programs out into our community, which we are doing at the Polaris apartment complex on a monthly basis. It is with that in mind that the PTA presents to Ridgecrest our second Auction and Food Truck Rodeo this March 14th. Let me be clear that this is going to be an awesome, fun, unique, fundraising experience for all of our Ridgecrest parents that will include food, drink, and plenty of opportunities to get to meet and socialize with other Ridgecrest parents - including riding a mechanical bull. It is the PTA's charge to shine the light of awareness in areas where Ridgecrest does not have a level playing field. The PTA does that by helping teachers and classrooms with resources, field trips, funding art programs, funding library, PE, and music programs, and by providing student activity scholarships. We want you to follow this link <https://ridgecrestpta.org> and click on AUCTION to buy a ticket for yourself and your significant other, and maybe even help out with some additional families. When we help shine the light in areas where inequality exists we will become the best Ridgecrest we can be.

Nathan Christian, Dean of Students

Calendar of Events



FEBRUARY

- 11 **TONIGHT!!** Eastside Orchestra Festival 7-8:30pm, Shorecrest Performing Arts Center
- 12 EARLY RELEASE - **Students will be dismissed at 1:20 pm**
- 13 High Cap Open House for RC Families 2-2:45pm @ **Meridian Park Elementary**
6th Grade Camp Parent Meeting 7-8pm, RC Room 316
- 17 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
- 18-21 NO SCHOOL - MID-WINTER BREAK
- 26 EARLY RELEASE - **Students will be dismissed at 1:20 pm**
6th Graders Visit Kellogg 9:30-11:30am

MARCH

- 2-6 Spring Elementary Conferences -- **Students will be dismissed at 11:15am ALL WEEK**
Band/Orchestra will be TUESDAY ONLY this week
- 9 6th Grade Middle School Registration Forms due to teacher
- 14 RC Auction & Food Truck Rodeo 5pm. Shorecrest High School; Tickets available on the RC PTA Website / This is a 21+ event
- 25 5th Graders Visit Kellogg 9:30-11:30am
RC Open House & PTA Family Math Night 6-8pm, RC Cafeteria (see information on page four)
- 30 5th Grade Middle School Registration Forms due to teacher

Report Cards and Parent Conferences

This Friday, February 14, 2020, our first semester report cards will be coming home with students. Please be sure to check your student's backpack on Friday. The report card is to provide updated information on your student's progress through the first semester. We encourage you to review the report card with your student and highlight areas in which they are doing well and areas that may need to be focused on this spring. Once you have done so, please sign the front of the envelope the report card came home in and return **ONLY** the envelope to your student's teacher.

Parent conferences are coming up March 2-6. We highly encourage all families to participate in conferences as it is a time to reflect on and discuss goals for your student. During conference week, students will be dismissed at **11:15am** each day, Monday through Friday. Please be sure to make arrangements for your student's after school plans all week.

Nurse Notes

News from the RC



Greetings Ridgecrest Families!

Parents please remember to send your student in clothing appropriate for wet, cold recesses. And for PE class, don't forget the tennis shoes.]

Lice

We have seen the return of lice. If you notice your student scratching his/her head or complaining of an itchy head, lice may be the culprits. Please check your student using a lice comb at least once a week. Head lice are tiny six legged parasites. A nymph is the size of a grain of salt and an adult is the size of a grain of rice. The nits, or lice eggs are teardrop shaped and are glued to the hair shaft. They cannot be washed or brushed away. Lice cannot fly, hop, jump or burrow but they move quickly, making them hard to find in hair. Lice can live 35 days on our heads, but only several days off. They need our heat and blood to live. Lice tend to cluster behind the ears and nape of neck. Lice are spread by head-to-head contact. Lice can also distribute through sharing hats, scarves, combs, brushes, hair clips, and clothing or on furniture. Pets do not carry head lice.

One lice comb that works well is the Lice Meister. The tines are close together and the handle is not bulky making it easier to use. If you would like more information please contact us.

Cleaning Out Closets?

Do you have any smaller sized pants your children have outgrown? Boys or girls size 5-10 are needed in the health office. Sweatpants or leggings are especially useful with elastic waistbands! Thank you!!

Our local public libraries, part of the King County Library System, are incredible resources for books, music, movies, and technology, plus you can check out museum passes for the Seattle Aquarium, the Northwest African American Museum, the Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP) and the Woodland Park Zoo, among others.

The library provides classes, quiet spaces, help choosing books, computer access, homework help, and other services, including the Global Reading Challenge for 4th and 5th graders. The Shoreline Library is less than a mile from Ridgecrest, within walking distance, so we hope students will visit during Mid Winter Break.

We partner with KCLS to provide students with accounts to access electronic resources such as ebooks, audiobooks and databases. There are no late fees because all resources are online and returned automatically to the library. Their username/library card number is 412 + their student number with one 0 (zero) (e.g. 4120961111) and the password/PIN is the last four digits of their student number, (e.g. 1111)

Students can access their accounts here:

<https://kcls.org/students/>

KCLS Links:

Free Museum Passes with a Library Card!:

<https://kcls.org/museum-passes/>

I See Me - We Need Diverse Books: <https://tinyurl.com/y9cfumxb>

Stress and Anxiety Management for Kids and Teens:

<http://tinyurl.com/n59jd5l>

Maker Guides for Kids, Teens, and Families:

<https://tinyurl.com/y93a34nf>

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 6:00-8:00 P.M.

RIDGECREST OPEN HOUSE AND PTA FAMILY MATH NIGHT

This planned event helps us reach two of our School Improvement Goals:

- Teaching and Learning: Teachers implement with consistency the agreed-upon look-fors in math curriculum
- Culture and Community: Increase family and community involvement

Many of you came to our fall PTA Parent Math Night, where our instructional coaches taught you the main components of our new Bridges curriculum. Now we invite you to bring your families to Ridgecrest to enjoy an evening of learning, fun, and dessert!

Here is what you can look forward to:

- Ice Cream Social: 6:00-8:00 p.m., Cafeteria: fundraiser for 4th grade for Camp Caber
- Learning about and playing at Work Places in your child's classroom (1st-5th grades)
- Learning about and playing traditional and technological math games (6th grade)
- Solving random math questions, equations, and games in our hallways

All students visiting their own classroom and playing Work Places with their family will get a fun prize!

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE HERE!!

2020 RIDGECREST AUCTION NEWSLETTER

Please join us for a fun evening at the Ridgecrest Food Truck Rodeo & Auction to connect with our wonderful community and to raise funds for our students. Tickets are on sale now!

When: Saturday, March 14, 2020. Door opens at 5pm.

Where: Shorecrest High School - 15343 25th Ave NE, Shoreline

Featuring:

- 4 food trucks
- Trivia and games (mechanical bull station, chicken poop bingo, photo booth, heads/tails, raffles and prizes)
- Chance to bid on classroom art projects, teacher experiences (including principal for the day!)
- Live Bands
 - ✓ Shoreline Community Jazz Band with Jeff Kashiwa
 - ✓ Funk and Groove (cover band from Shoreline JC)
 - ✓ The Good Ideas (recent RC graduates)

Ticket: \$40 per person (\$30 for teacher/staff) and includes:

- Entrance to the event
- One sample from each food truck (5 – 6pm)
- One main entree from a food truck (6 – 8pm)
- One drink voucher

*Tickets will be \$50 at the door day of event
This event is 21+ and will take place rain or shine*



**Early Bird ends February 7!
(\$35/ticket)**

**Get your tickets now at
RidgecrestPTA.org/Auction**

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Ridgecrest Elementary Prearranged Absence Form

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARENTS:

Please complete the below information and return Janina in the Ridgecrest front office.

Families should try to not schedule vacations or travel while school is in session. If a family vacation or travel must occur while school is in session, it must be prearranged prior to the first date of the absence and approved by the principal (or designee).

As a courtesy to family needs, the principal (or designee) may excuse up to five (5) school days for a prearranged absence per student each school year.

Assignments requested for a prearranged absence will be provided to the student or parent/guardian if requested three (3) to five (5) school days prior to the absence. **Please note:** Not all learning activities/opportunities can be reproduced outside of the classroom.

Student #1 Name: _____	Student #2 Name: _____
Teacher/Grade: _____	Teacher/Grade: _____
Student #3 Name: _____	Student #4 Name: _____
Teacher/Grade: _____	Teacher/Grade: _____

Date(s) of Planned Absence: _____ Total Missed School Days: _____

Reason for absence:

- ☐ Vacation ☐ Family Event (wedding, cultural event)
☐ Family Emergency ☐ Other _____

PARENTS

I have met/communicated with my student's teacher(s) regarding this planned absence and ways for my student(s) to complete requested assignments. I am aware that this absence may affect my student's learning and being prepared for the next grade.

Parent/guardian signature Date Phone

The following are available vacation dates for this year. We appreciate your scheduling vacations/time away from school during these times so that we can serve your child and help them achieve their best in school.

- **November 27th (11:15am early release)-November 28th-29th—Thanksgiving**
- **December 23rd-January 3rd—Winter Break**
- **February 17th – February 21st—Mid-Winter Break**
- **April 20th – April 24th—Spring Break**

February Life Skill -- Perseverance (persistence)

Our February Life Skill is Perseverance.

Perseverance *noun*

persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.



SHORELINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

PROCEDURES FOR EMERGENCY SCHEDULE CHANGES

In the event of a school delay or cancellation, families will be contacted by phone and/or email using our mass notification system. Please ensure that your contact information is up-to-date at your student's school.

You may find school delay/cancellation announcements on local television and radio stations,

by calling our information line at 206.393.6111 or online at: www.shorelineschools.org,

www.facebook.com/shorelineschools

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, or www.twitter.com/shorelinek12

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THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS MAY BE USED FOR EMERGENCY CONDITIONS:

1. SHORELINE SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED

1. All schools will be closed for the day. All meetings, field trips, after-school activities, etc. will be canceled for the day.

2. SHORELINE SCHOOLS OPEN - 2 HOURS LATE - BUSES OPERATING ON REGULAR or SNOW ROUTES

1. a. All zero period secondary classes will be canceled.
b. K-12 and Head Start classes will begin 2 HOURS LATE.
c. AM Early Childhood Program, STEP Preschool, and out-of-district transportation will be CANCELED.
d. PM Early Childhood will begin at REGULAR TIMES.
e. When schools open 2 hours late, the Shoreline Children's Center and Extended Day sites will open 2 hours late, at 8:30 a.m. instead of 6:30 a.m. Preschool classrooms scheduled to begin at 8:45, 9:00 am, or 1:00 pm will start at normal times.
f. Breakfast is not available at elementary schools. Breakfast service for secondary schools may be altered, please see the [Food and Nutrition Services webpage](#)
2. [Opens in New Window](#)
3. for more information.

SNOW ROUTES:

Snow routes have been designed to avoid areas where hazardous road conditions exist. [Click here](#)

[to learn about](#)

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to find the snow routes for your specific school. When snow routes are in effect, they will be used on both the morning and afternoon routes even if roads have cleared. There may be occasions when schools start at the regular times but "snow routes" will be utilized.

EMERGENCY DISMISSAL:

If it becomes necessary to close a school during the school day and send students home early, our mass notification system will be used to contact families by phone and/or email. A message will also be placed on the District homepage and social media accounts. Because a parent/guardian may not be at home if there is an emergency dismissal, they must make plans for an alternate place (neighbor/relative) for their child to go. Families should keep their emergency contacts up-to-date and discuss this alternate plan with their children so they know what to do in case of an emergency closure of schools. There will be no SPS after school daycare.

1. If someone other than the parent will be picking up the child, parents should have already provided the school with the names of the individuals who are authorized to pick up the child. Unless an approved person picks up the child, the child will remain at school until the announced dismissal time.
2. It may be necessary in some situations to close schools early and hold students at school until a parent (or authorized person) comes to the school to pick them up. In this case, there will be an announcement that students are being held at school and will not be sent home.

Hazardous Weather Delays on Early Release Wednesdays :

In cases of a hazardous weather delay on a scheduled Early Release Wednesday, schools will release at their normal early release time.

RIDGECREST SNOW ROUTES

2019 / 2020 SCHOOL YEAR



ROUTE 104

AM STOPS

8:20 AM NE 180TH ST @ 12th Ave NE
8:21 AM 17536/17538 12th AVE NE (POLARIS)

PM STOPS

3:08 PM 17536/17538 12th AVE NE (POLARIS)
3:09 PM 12th Ave NE @ NE 180TH ST
3:11 PM 15TH AVE NE @ FOREST PARK DR NE

ROUTE 122

AM STOPS

8:16 AM 5th Ave NE @ NE 178th St
8:16 AM 5th Ave NE @ NE 180TH ST
8:17 AM NE 180TH ST @ 8TH AVE NE
8:17 AM NE 180TH ST @ 10TH AVE NE
8:18 AM 10TH AVE NE @ NE 185TH ST
8:19 AM NE 190TH & 10TH AVE NE
8:21 AM 10TH AVE NE @ NE 177th PI

PM STOPS

3:08 PM 10TH AVE NE @ NE 177th PI
3:08 PM NE 180TH ST @ 10TH AVE NE
3:09 PM 10TH AVE NE @ NE 185TH ST
3:09 PM NE 190TH & 10TH AVE NE
3:16 PM 15TH AVE NE @ 14TH CT NE

ROUTE 128

AM STOPS

7:52 am NORTH CITY SCHOOL
7:56 am 15TH AVE NE @ FOREST PARK DR NE
7:58 am 15TH AVE NE @ 14TH CT NE
8:04 am LFP FRONT
8:08 am BROOKSIDE ES
8:16 am BRIARCREST FLAGPOLE CURBSIDE

PM STOPS

3:09 pm 5th Ave NE @ NE 178th St
3:09 pm 5th Ave NE @ NE 180TH ST
3:09 pm NE 180TH ST @ 8TH AVE NE
3:17 pm LFP REG LOAD ZONE
3:21 pm BROOKSIDE ES
3:32 pm 17th Ave NE @ NE 146th St

SHORELINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

JOB FAIR



Equity and inclusion makes our school community stronger. We encourage culturally and linguistically diverse applicants to attend.

Join us as Shoreline Public Schools begins hiring for the 2020-2021 school year!

SATURDAY
MARCH 7
9am-12pm

- Bring your resume
- Meet representatives from each of our schools and support programs
- Teachers and certificated attendees: Brief screening interviews will be offered between 9:30am-12:00pm on a first come, first served basis

SHOREWOOD HIGH SCHOOL - 17300 FREMONT AVE N - SHORELINE, WA

Register for the event at www.shorelineschools.org/jobfair
Just complete the application titled "Job Fair Registration"



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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SEATTLE/KING COUNTY CLINIC

FEBRUARY 13–16, 2020

Same FREE Dental, Vision & Medical Care!
Different month!
Different location within Seattle Center!



About the Clinic

- **All are welcome!**
- For anyone in need who struggles to access and/or afford healthcare
- Patients do not need ID or proof of immigration status
- Patients do not need to be residents of Seattle or King County
- Admission tickets distributed at 5:00 AM in Fisher Pavilion at Seattle Center (Corner of 2nd Ave N & Thomas St)
- No advance registration: FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED
- Highest demand on Saturday & Sunday
- Interpreters available
- FREE parking Mercer St. Garage (650 3rd Ave N)
- **Come prepared for a long day with food, comfortable clothing and any daily medications**

More Info: seattlecenter.org/patients

Email: SKCClinic@seattlecenter.org

Phone: 206.684.7200

All Services are FREE

DENTAL: Fillings, extractions, x-rays, deep cleanings

VISION: Vision screening, complete eye exams, reading glasses and prescription eyeglasses.

Bring a current eyeglass prescription (no older than one year) to skip the exam and just get eyeglasses.

MEDICAL: Physical exams, x-rays, mammograms, ultrasounds, select lab tests, immunizations, foot and wound care, dermatology, physical and occupational therapy, acupuncture, chiropractic care, nutrition counseling, behavioral health, and more

RESOURCES: Social work, help with health insurance, and more



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How Do I Get Into the Clinic?

- Get a ticket in Fisher Pavilion at Seattle Center. Fisher Pavilion opens each day at 12:30 AM (see seattlecenter.org/patients for a map and details).
- A limited number of tickets will be given out each day starting at 5:00 AM. The ticket is only good for that day. One ticket per person.
- The first patients will enter the Clinic at 6:30 AM. Entrance will be in order of the number on the ticket.

How Should I Prepare for the Clinic?

This will be a long day. Come prepared to take care of yourself.

- Bring food, beverages and any medications you may need throughout the day.
- **DO NOT** fast for lab tests.
- To get dental care, you must have blood pressure and glucose within certain limits. This is for your safety.
- Wear comfortable clothing.
- Do not bring pets unless they are trained service animals.
- A parent or legal guardian must accompany a patient under age 18. Exceptions may be made for youth ages 13 and above who are not in contact with a parent or legal guardian.



Will Someone Speak My Language?

- Interpretation will be available throughout the Clinic.

What Happens Once I Enter the Clinic?

- There will be a large number of patients. You may not be able to get all of the services that you want or that are offered on the same day. You cannot get both dental and vision care on the same day.
- Patients can wait in line for an admission ticket on another day for additional services.
- You will be given a pass for the Clinic. This pass will allow you to leave and re-enter Clinic buildings for that day only.
- We will collect basic personal information including name, age and medical history.
- In each service area (dental, vision or medical) you will wait your turn in line and will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis.
- If you are in line for a service and you leave your place for a long time (more than 15 minutes), you will lose your place in line and will need to go to the end of the line when you return.



What Services Will NOT Be Provided?

DENTAL: Bridges, complex extractions including wisdom teeth, dentures, implants, orthodontics, root canals on molars, sedation, teeth whitening

VISION: Contacts, sunglasses

MEDICAL: Biopsies, casts, CT scans, stitches/sutures, immunizations for children under 18 years of age, admission to a treatment facility, MRIs, new prescriptions for behavioral health medications

Narcotics will not be used or prescribed. Authorization for medical marijuana will not be provided.



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SAVE THE DATE! FEBRUARY 28TH!

COME AND JOIN THE PINK POLKA DOTS AND FRIENDS

6-10PM @ THE LFP CIVIC CLUB



KARAOKE NIGHT



ALL AGES (\$12/child, \$15/adult, \$40/family)

**KARAOKE, FOOD, ROOT BEER FLOATS, DESSERTS, PRIZES,
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