



RAM News

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ABSENCES, LATE ARRIVALS, AND EARLY RELEASES

Thank you to the families that are contacting the attendance office if their student will be absent or late. It is extremely helpful to receive this information in advance. Please send an email (and cc your student's teacher to be sure they know) to: rc.attendance@shorelineschools.org or call 206.393.1493. If we are unable to answer, please leave a message. Absences that are not excused within three days are permanently unexcused on your student's record.

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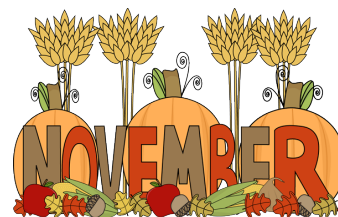
BREAKFAST

Elementary breakfast is only \$1.75; if your student qualifies for free or reduced price meals, breakfast is absolutely free! You are welcome to join your child at breakfast for \$2.75. Take one thing off your morning to-do list and have your child join us for a nutritious breakfast at school.

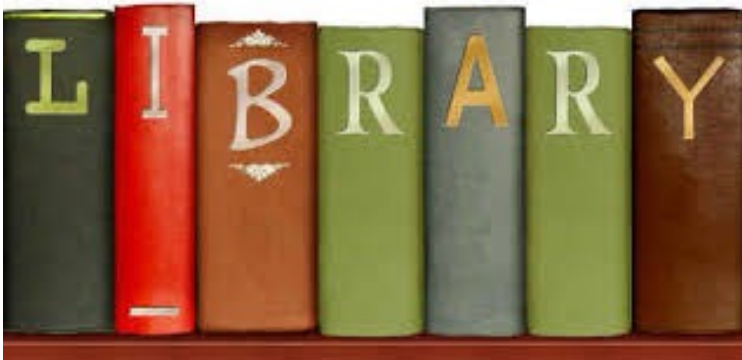
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SAFETY REMINDER

For the safety of all Ridgecrest students, staff, and visitors we ask that you stop in the office to sign in and get a visitor's sticker even if you are only going to be in the school "for a minute." Then, please sign out when you leave. This helps us keep track of who's in the building in the event of an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation!



News from the RC



Technology Resources

We have many technology resources in the Shoreline School District: Chromebooks, iPads, interactive whiteboards, databases, etc., which are engaging and useful learning tools, but there are concerns about technology use at school and home.

Our students use these resources daily. The library is one place they learn how to search for information and how to be safe and aware online. We teach several lessons to grades 1-6 about internet awareness, based on a digital citizenship curriculum from Common Sense Media. Topics include:

- Searching efficiently
- Keeping information private
- Effective passwords
- How digital media fits into our lives
- The digital footprint we leave online
- Showing respect online
- Copyright/citing sources

If you are looking for information about technology use for your family, Common Sense Media is a helpful website, with information about screen time, cell phones, monitoring usage:

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/parent-concerns>

The website also has book and movie reviews to help families make decisions about what to read and view. Please take a few minutes to check out the resources available at <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>.

Joanna and Liz

joanna.freeman@shorelineschools.org

Nurse Notes

Greetings Ridgecrest Families!

Health Screenings Next Week

November 13-17 the nurses will be assessing student's vision and hearing. If your student wears glasses, please make sure she/he wears or brings them to school every day. We will be screening student's hearing on Friday the 17th.



Thank you to all who volunteered to help!!

Weather

Wow! Snow already! Please



remember to send your child ready for recess with a warm coat and shoes or boots. The days for sandals are past! Also remember tennis shoes for PE class.

Medication at School

If your child requires any medication while at school, please remember a doctor needs to fill out a treatment form. The student's parent also needs to sign the form. This is required for over the counter and prescribed medications. Please contact the Health Office for the school form.

Thank you!!

Nurse Joan and Nurse Stacey

District Information

Join Us In Honoring Board Member Ehrlichman on Dec 4

The Shoreline and Lake Forest Park communities are invited to a retirement celebration in honor of Shoreline School District Board of Directors President Debi Ehrlichman on December 4, 2017 from 5:30-7:00pm in the Shoreline Room, Shoreline Conference Center, 18560 1st Ave NE, Shoreline.



Visit our e-Flyers webpage

Looking for educational and recreational opportunities and events in our area? Visit our [e-Flyers webpage](#) for a listing of electronic flyers submitted by local non-profit groups regarding upcoming events, activities or services.

School Attendance Awareness

This year, Shoreline Public Schools is making a special effort to ensure that all students fully benefit from their education by attending school regularly. Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Your student can start building this habit that going to school on time, every day is important. Consistent attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work. [Learn more about why attendance matters and how you can help your child be successful in school through regular and on-time attendance.](#)

Lunch Balances

Would you like an email reminder **BEFORE** your student's meal account balance is negative? Set up a Low Balance Notification by logging into your Family Access account and following these instructions:

1. In the upper right corner of the page, select "My Account".
2. On the very bottom of the page, select "Receive Emails when Food Service Balance is under \$5.50".
3. Select "Save" on the upper right corner.

If at any point you wish to no longer receive these notices, follow these same instructions to deselect this option. If you do not have your Family Access login information, contact the office at your student's school by calling 206.393.1493.

Super Size It Wednesdays!

Beginning Wednesday, November 8, we will be offering an optional second entree every Wednesday.

Purchase a regular lunch and for just \$2.50 more you can get a second entree. At this time, this will only be offered to grades 3-6.

Buy a regular lunch, tell the cashier at check out that you would like a second entree. If you have enough money in hand or on your account, you will be given a card. Just bring that card to the front of the lunch line and you will be given a second entree. If you are on free/reduced lunch, the second entree must be paid for separately.

New Attendance Procedures

The Shoreline School District has changed the attendance recording practice. In recent years, Washington State has requested accurate data on chronic absenteeism. In the past, we have only reported absences and tardies (late arrivals, regardless of the time of arrival). The school day is not broken into two parts – period 1 and period 2. Student arriving before 10:15am will be tardy; students arriving at 10:16 or later will be considered absent for period 1. If a student has an early dismissal that occurs before 1:25, they will be considered absent for period 2; students leaving at 1:26 or later will be considered an early dismissal (reports similarly to a tardy). If you have any questions, please contact Janina in the attendance office by calling 206.393.1493.

Friday Family Story Time

DID YOU KNOW?

Ridgecrest has a weekly story time for future Rams and their caregivers!

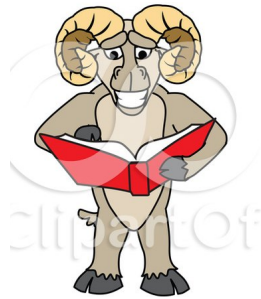
Friday Family Story

Time is every Friday 8:40-9:00 in the library.

Join us with your child who is not yet in kindergarten.

We are enjoying stories, and connecting families to each other and school.

COME JOIN US!



Calendar

NOVEMBER

- 14 Skate Night 6-8pm at Lynnwood Bowl & Skate
- 21 PTA Parent Meeting 7-8pm
- 22 11:15 Early Release for Holiday
- 23 No School HOLIDAY Thanksgiving
- 24 No School HOLIDAY Native American Heritage Day
- 27 Holiday Food and Teen Gift Drive Begins

DECEMBER

- 1 Multicultural Family Breakfast (see below)
- 4 No School Non-Student Work Day
- 8 Holiday Food and Teen Gift Drive Ends
- 20 No School WINTER BREAK

JANUARY

- 3 School Resumes
- 11 PTA Reflections Art Show @ Shoreline Center
- 15 No School HOLIDAY Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 29 No School Non-Student Work Day

Life Skill of the Month

The Life Skill for November is: Problem Solving
Take some time to talk with your student about constructive ways to solve problems.

You are invited to a monthly Multicultural Family Breakfast Meeting (Estás invitado a una reunión familiar de desayuno.)

When (Cuando): Friday, December 1, 2017, 8:40-9:40 am.

*Special thanks to the Ridgecrest PTA and the Washington Alliance for Better Schools (WABS) for sponsoring our breakfast.

What (qué): Build relationships with families, share ideas and information about Ridgecrest and Shoreline programs that support your child's learning.

Who (quien): Families of students in the ELL program, bilingual/multilingual families, anyone who is interested.
(Younger siblings are welcome to attend - there will be a story time 8:40-9:00AM).]

Where (dónde): Ridgecrest Room 104

We hope to see you there! ¡Esperamos verte ahí!

Sheryl Lundahl, ELL Teacher

To help us with planning, please let us know if you are coming and if you need an interpreter:
email sheryl.lundahl@shorelineschools.org or evangelina.vederoff@shorelineschools.org



**Shorecrest High School/
Friday, January 5, 2018
Eastside Elementary Night
Shorecrest Basketball**

***vs Marysville-Getchell High School
Face Painting, Meet SC Cheer & Flag members and
the Otis mascot! Activities at halftime!***

Tip off at 7:15pm

Adults \$6.00 Students (with an Adult) \$3.00

Wear green and gold and cheer on the Scots!

Future Scots & Families are ALWAYS welcome at SC basketball games! For full schedule, go to wescoathletics.com

Questions? Call us at 206-393-4286

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