

Washington Elementary School

April 2024

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Washington School Mission Statement

At Washington Elementary School, we foster a student-centered community where all students are inspired to discover their own passions, accept and appreciate the differences in one another, and make reflective and responsible choices that will make the world a better place.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Easter	1	2	3	4	5	6
	SCHOOL CLOSED-SPRING BREAK					
7	8 Light It Up Blue for Autism Awareness 	9 Spring  Student & Club Photos	10 NO SCHOOL EID	11 WES "Around the World" Night  6:00PM	12 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY 	13
14	15	16 District DEI Night 6:30pm EHS	17 EARLY DISMISSAL Somerset Patriots Game 	18 PTO SushiO Dine Out	19 1st grade trip	20
Autism Awareness Penny Wars						
21	22 EARLY DISMISSAL Earth Day 	23 EARLY DISMISSAL Passover	24 Administrative Professionals Day	25 BRING YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY	26 SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY  PTO Pretzel Sale 	27
28	29	30 ESL Club trip				



No School
March 29–April 7
April 10



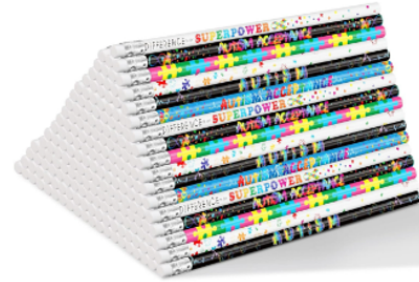
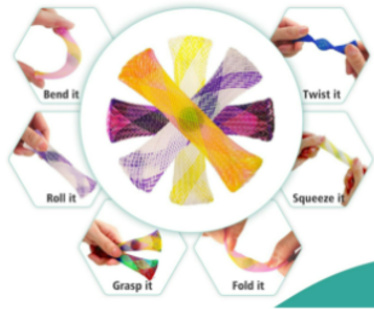
Early Dismissal
April 17, 22, 23
1:30pm

2023-24 Edison Township Public Schools Calendar

Student/Family Handbook

The Month Ahead

The month ahead is quite busy! Join us all month for Autism Awareness Month. We will have a variety of spirit days and events all month. We also hope you can join us for our first "WES Around the World" Night on 4/11. Don't forget to support the PTO for our monthly Dine Out on 4/18!



Join Us In Celebrating **Autism Awareness**
and donating to the ASD Program

Pencils- \$1 each

Fidgets- \$1 each

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT THE **K-5 AUTISM PROGRAM** IN WASHINGTON

Orders Will Be Collected Beginning
Monday, April 8, 2023
Order ASAP while supplies last

April is Autism Awareness Month

The recognition raises awareness about autism acceptance and promotes inclusion and connectedness for people with autism. Social and community support can help people with autism achieve optimal health and reach their full potential.

Here are some videos that you can watch to learn more:

[Marvelous Max](#)

[Autism Slideshow for Kids](#)

[A is for Autism, F is for Friend](#)

Events at WES for Autism Awareness:

4/8- Light It Up Blue at WES-all community members are encouraged to wear BLUE jeans. Staff can wear Autism Awareness shirts



4/8-Pencils and fidgets sale starts

4/15-26- Door Decorating Penny Wars

AROUND THE WORLD AT WES

Thursday, April 11th
6:00- 7:30 pm

We are excited to host our 1st

Around The World at WES!

This is a multi-cultural event to recognize, appreciate, and share snapshots of the families in our school- where we come from, our cultural backgrounds and family traditions.

[Sign up here!](#)

With your help, we hope to make this an unforgettable event!



[Click on picture to sign up!](#)



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On Thursday, April 25th is the national Take Our Kids to Work Day. Workplaces and schools throughout the nation will recognize this day as an opportunity for students to learn about various career opportunities. This experience provides an excellent opportunity for parents to share their work experience with their student(s) and encourages a working relationship between schools and businesses.



If your child has the opportunity to participate in this experience, please let their homeroom teacher know that they will be absent on April 25th. A letter on company letterhead verifying your child's attendance at work should be provided upon their return to school on Friday, the 26th. Upon receipt of this verification, the student will be given credit for the absence.

[Official Letter for Parents](#)

Counselor's Corner

🌸 [Click here for our Mindfulness Newsletter](#) 🌸

Do You Know An Incoming Kindergartener?



KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT IS NOW
OPEN FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!

Students who will be the age of 5 by October 1, 2024 are encouraged to begin the enrollment process. Use [this link](#) to enroll. Incoming kindergarteners are also eligible to apply to part of our [Dual Language Program](#). Check out the link and the fliers below for more information on Dual Language Program. The next presentation is May 14.

Escuelas Públicas del Municipio de Edison

ACADEMIA DE LENGUAJE DUAL

DISPONIBLE EN SEPTIEMBRE DE 2023

¿Qué es?

Nuestro distrito se complace en anunciar el lanzamiento de la Academia de Lenguaje Dual Español-Inglés! En este programa, ubicado en la Escuela Primaria Washington, a los estudiantes se les enseñará alfabetización y contenido académico tanto en inglés como en español. Al completar la escuela primaria, los estudiantes se habrán ganado la oportunidad de ser bilingües y alfabetizados en dos idiomas. La investigación ha demostrado que este modelo produce altas tasas de éxito en el conocimiento del nivel de grado mientras desarrolla niveles impresionantes de dominio del idioma.

¿Quién puede unirse?

Todos los estudiantes del Distrito Escolar de Edison son elegibles para solicitar el programa antes del comienzo del jardín de infantes. Cada otoño, crearemos un nuevo grupo de estudiantes de Kindergarten de idiomas que ya son nativos de inglés o español. Estos grupos continúan juntos hasta el quinto grado.

Para más información

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www.edison.k12.nj.us

[Spanish version flier](#)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF EDISON TOWNSHIP

DUAL LANGUAGE ACADEMY

COMING SEPTEMBER 2023

What is it?

Our district is pleased to announce the launch of the Spanish-English Dual Language Academy! In this program, located at Washington Elementary School, students will be taught literacy and academic content in both English and Spanish. By the completion of elementary school, students will have earned the opportunity to become **biliterate** and **bilingual**. Research has shown that this model produces high rates of success in grade-level knowledge while developing impressive levels of language proficiency.

Who can join?

All Edison School District students are eligible to apply for the program **prior** to the start of Kindergarten. Each Fall, we will create a new Kindergarten cohort of language learners who are already native speakers of either English or Spanish. These cohorts continue together through 5th grade.

For more information

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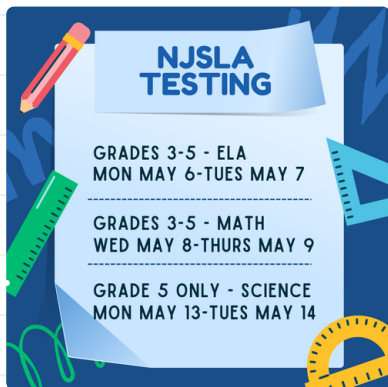
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[English version flier](#)

NJSLA Testing

Students in grades 3-5 will take the NJ Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) in May. These standardized tests assess student achievement of the NJ Student Learning Standards.

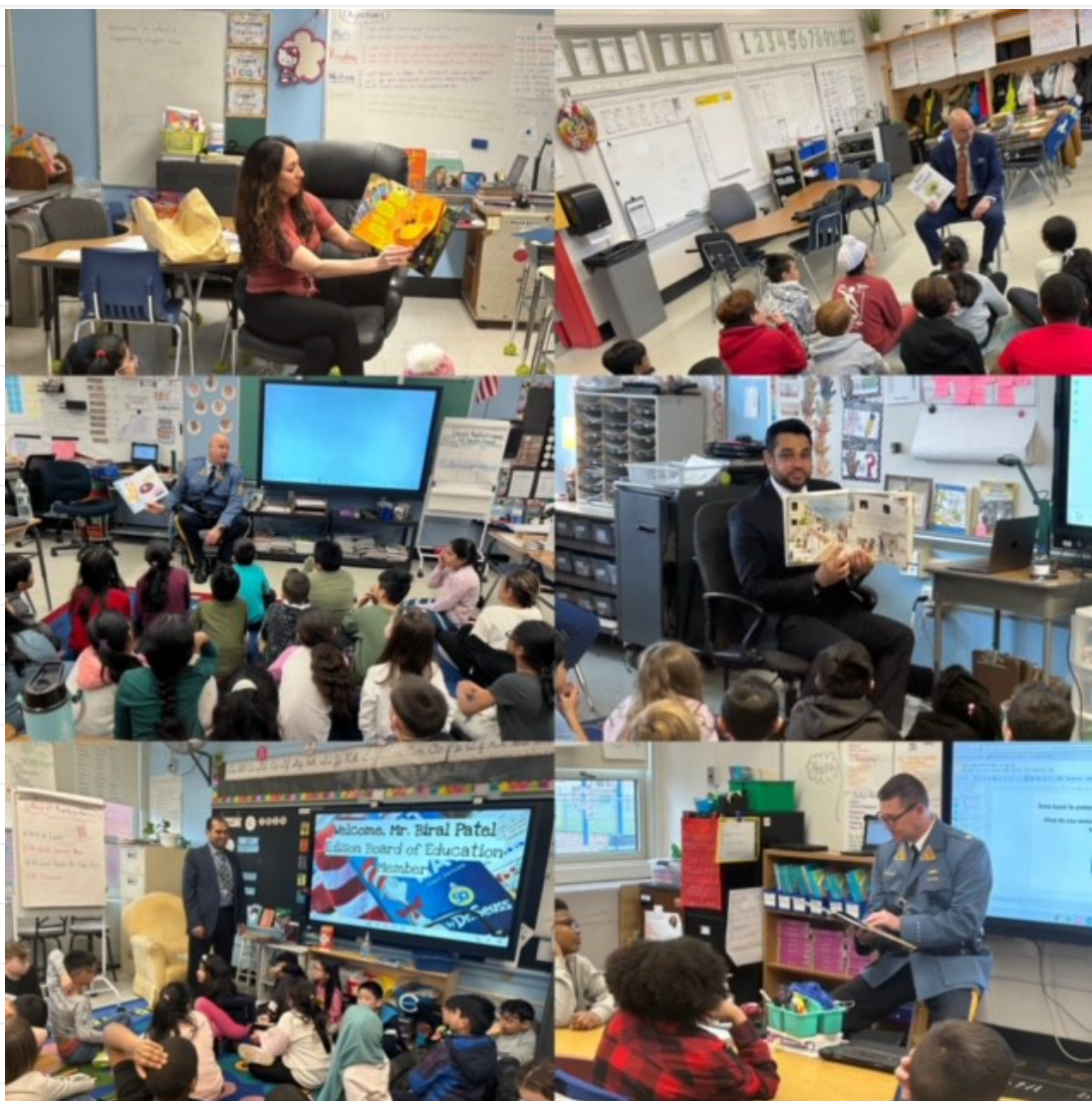
You can access more information at the NJ Assessments Resource Center [page for parents/families](#).



Get your 2023-24 Yearbook!

March Recap

Read Across America & Guest Readers

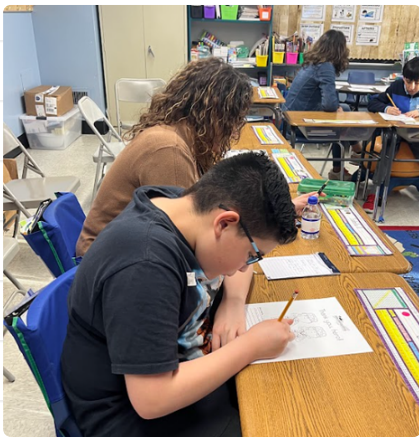


March Perfect Attendance

Congratulations to our students who had *perfect attendance* in the month of March. Our attendance will celebrate those students when we return from spring break by giving them a shout out on the loudspeaker and a fun goodie bag. We hope that even more students earned this special award for the month of April. Check out our bulletin board by the gym with all the student names.



Family Literacy Night (Grades 3-5)



Author Visit - Shelley Johannes



Author presentation



Lunch with the author winners



Draw along with students



Kindness/Anti-Bullying Assembly



Spotlight: Student Activities

A variety of student activities are happening throughout the school. See below for a few pictures and highlights.



Chess Club



Chess Club



Game Club



Crafty Club



Mission Possible: School Store

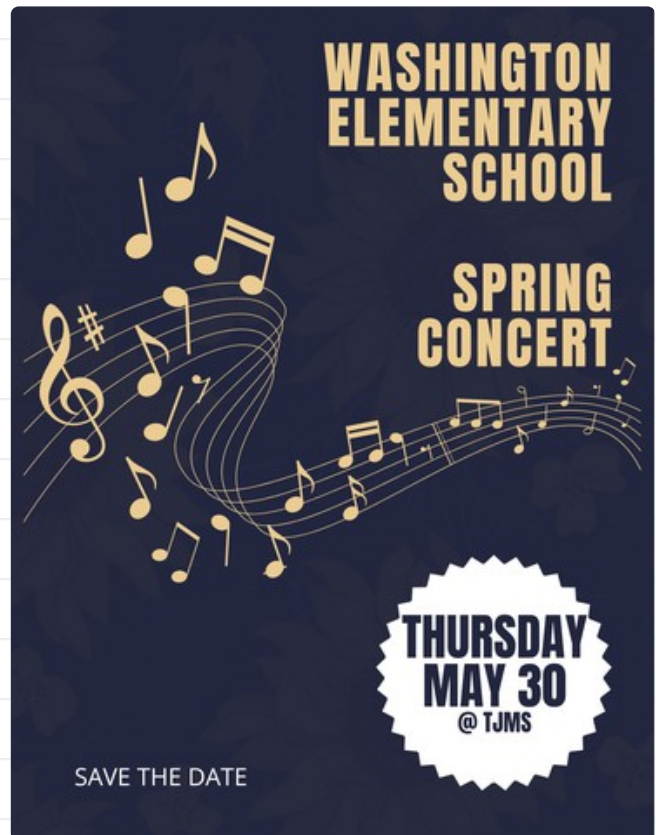
Upcoming Events



Save the Date



Art Show



Spring Concert



5th Grade Moving Up Ceremony



Kindergarten Farewell

Parent Teacher Organization

Birthday Gram Flier



4/18 PTO Dine Out

Washington School PTO Pretzel Sale



Friday, April 26th

4/26 Pretzel Sale

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