

Welcome to Cascade Ridge Elementary



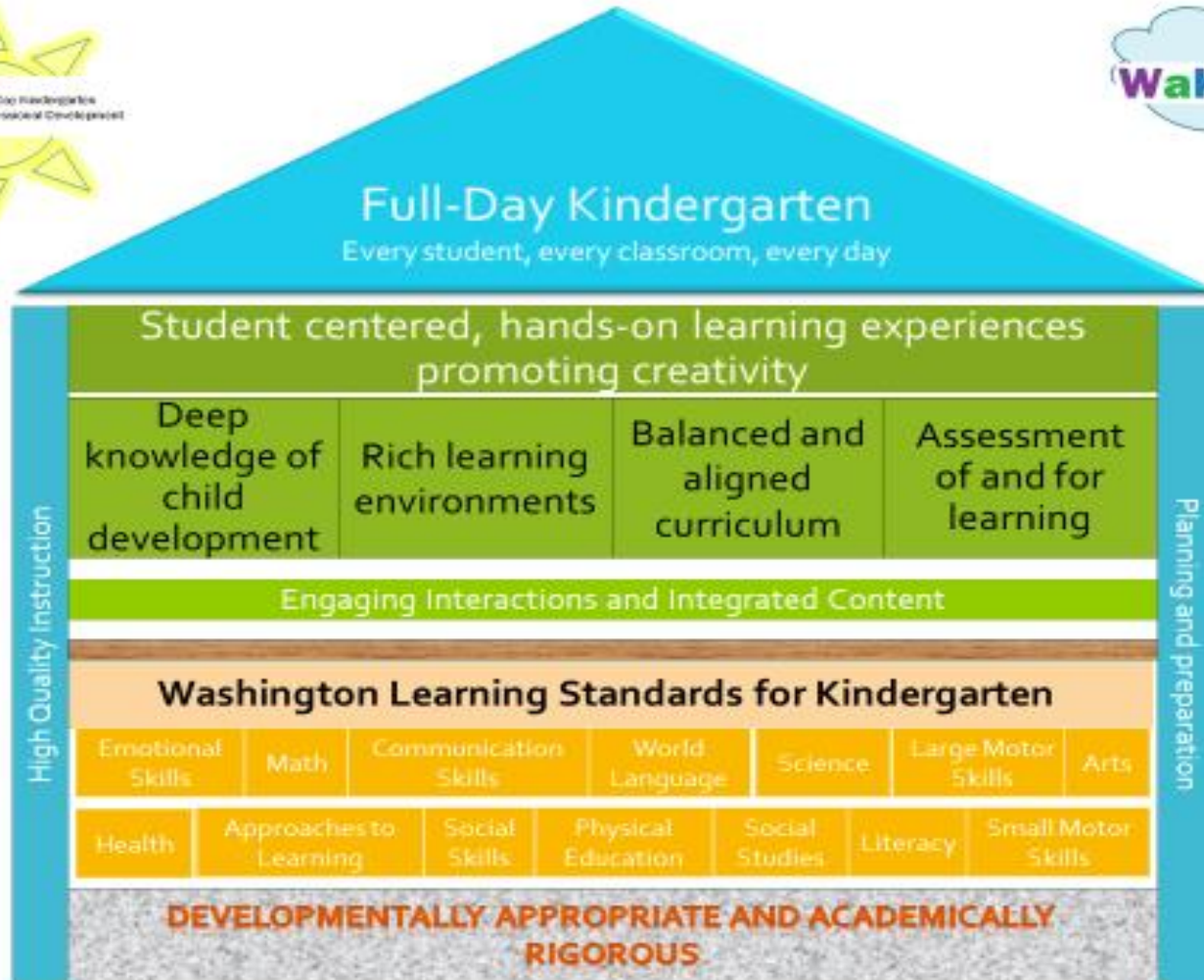
Kindergarten Orientation 2024/25

Introductions

- Jennifer Sehlin, Principal
- Michelle Moon, Dean of Students
- Kindergarten Teachers – Carrie Haines & Angela Schubbe
- Paraprofessionals – Ms. Brianna, Ms. Chandrani, Ms. Kari, Ms. Denise
- PTSA Representative – Leah Ludington

Agenda

- Students to Classrooms with Teachers
- Kinder Information
- PTSA News
- Cascade Ridge General Info
- Q & A



To Start the School Year:

- Whole-Child Assessment: September/October
 - Kindergarten teacher observes children during everyday classroom activities
 - Helps teachers find out what each child knows and can do at the beginning of the year
 - Inventory taken of each child's developing skills in six areas
 - Social-emotional
 - Physical
 - Cognitive
 - Language
 - Literacy
 - Mathematics

Kindergarten Timeline: Summer 2024

[PTSA
website](#)



**INCOMING KINDER
SUMMER PLAYDATES!**

JUNE 8
10-11:30 AM

JULY 20
4-5:30 PM

AUG 3
10-11:30 AM

**STAY TUNED FOR
MORE INFO!**

The poster features a vibrant green background with a white starburst in the top left and bottom right corners. The central image shows a colorful playground with a red slide, a blue and yellow play structure, and a blue mushroom-shaped playhouse. The text is bold and white or yellow, standing out against the green background.

Kindergarten Timeline: August 2024

- **August 7-13, 2024**

Enrollment Verification Process (EVP) – details in August E News bulletin, required for all students

Grades K-5 teacher names available via Skyward August 27th @ 4:00

- **Wednesday, August 28, 2024**

Meet the Teacher Event K-5 9:30-10:30 am

Kindergarten Curriculum Night (Caregivers only) 6:00 pm

Kindergarten Timeline: Start of School

- **Thursday, August 29, 2024**

First day Grades 1st-5th

- **August 29, 30 & Sept 3, 2024**

Individual caregiver and student meetings
with classroom teacher

- **Wednesday, September 4, 2024**

First day of school for Kindergarten students



CASCADE RIDGE PTSA



We're part of a national volunteer group dedicated to supporting our students and staff. We bring families together with community events, raise funds to help our campus and advocate for all students.



Events & Programs

- Fall Fundraiser
- Trunk or Treat
- Paws for a Cause
- Book Fair
- STEM Fair
- Heritage Festival
- 5th Grade Celebration
- Reflections Art Program

Student Supports

- Classroom Art Docents
- In-School Drama
- Yearbook
- Spirit Wear
- School Supplies
- Teacher Grants for Classroom Supplies
- Curriculum Supports

Get Involved

Join in August at EVP!

Follow Us on Facebook & Instagram!

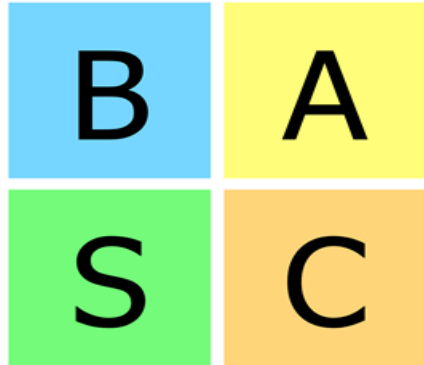
In Person and From Home Volunteering Opportunities!

Learn more at cascaderidgeptsa.org

Cascade Ridge Information

- School supplies (watch PTSA website)
- School lunch – see [district website](#) for myschoolbucks.com information
- Drop off/pick up – no buses, walking only school: [Arrival/Dismissal Video](#)
- Coyote Code – [School website](#)
- Health Room communication (Ms. Kari & Nurse Wen)
- Wednesday early release 1:30 pm
- Communication with staff/school - Teacher email, sign up for PTSA, E News bulletin





ISSAQUAH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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



Family Liaison



Wenli Mithal

mithalw@issaquah.wednet.edu

Ph/電話(425)837-7106, Text/短信 (978)252-3686

English, 普通話

The Family Liaison role:

- Support families transitioning to the Issaquah School district to better understand and navigate our school system. Help with registration.
- Serve as the bridge between staff and families. Connect families with school staff about their child's needs and concerns.
- Provide information regarding resources (financial, meal program, school supplies and more) available in the community to families and students.
- Host district-wide informative events regarding school to parents throughout out the school year.

A Few Months Before Kindergarten My Teacher Gave to Me...

8 Tips to Start
the Year Happily!



8: Teacher Communication

- Email: allow 48 hour window for response – email is best
- Classroom Phones: before & after school, teacher will not answer while teaching (phone numbers on Cascade Ridge website)
- Teacher Clever Page (website): Check for often used links and information
- Newsletters: Emailed to families/posted to Clever

*****If there is a change in your child's routine let your child's teacher know. If it is last minute call the office.*****



7: Office Communication

Office Staff: Sue & Tammie

- Cascade Ridge **425-837-5500**. Call between 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
- Notify the office of all absences. The best way is to use the attendance line OR [email the Cascade Ridge Attendance email address](#) (and **cc the teacher** (include your name, your child's name, the date, and the reason for the absence)
- If your child is absent and the office has not been notified then you will receive a call (check a child)
- Volunteers/visitors **MUST** be background check approved, check in at the office and wear a *visitor's pass*



6: Foster Independence

Lunch/Snack:

- Have your child practice opening and closing commonly used containers and food items

Car:

- Have your child practice unbuckling and buckling seatbelt/car seat buckle

Clothes:

- Have your child practice tying shoes, zipping zippers, buttoning, etc. Opening/closing backpacks and taking on and off



5: Daily Enrichment

Enrichment activities happen mostly in the afternoon

PE: Appropriate clothes and closed toe shoes required

Library:

- Return books on library day or your child will have to wait a week to check out another book
- Damaged or lost books must be paid for by family

Music:

- Students will enjoy learning a wide range of musical skills two times each week
- Concert in the spring

Purposeful Play:

- Science, STEM, Social/Emotional Growth



4: Restrooms and Lost & Found

Restrooms:

- Students are allowed to use the restrooms as needed throughout the day.
- Accidents can happen and in that case your child is sent to the health room for a change of clothes.
- Teach your child how to use a public restroom (urinals included)

Lost and Found:

- To help prevent things from getting lost, be sure to put your child's name on everything!
- Lost and Found is located outside the Library.
- Please check it regularly, as we donate left items several times throughout the year.



3: Volunteers

Volunteers:

- *Classroom:* We love volunteers! More information and sign-ups will be available at the beginning of the year.
- *School:* PTSA is always on the lookout for great volunteers.
- All volunteers will need to fill out the annual online application and background check, information is on the Issaquah School District website.



2: Zzzz... Bedtime and Nervousness

August - set a routine:

- It is important for your child to be alert and ready to learn each day. Set a bedtime, practice it and be consistent.
- Read a book before bed

Nervousness:

- Remind your child that each day will be fun as they learn new things and make new friends. Build them up with positivity!

Quick goodbyes work best, even if there are tears.

- Watch for signs of stress... please let your teacher know
- Sore stomach
- Sleeplessness
- Changes in behavior/ attitude



1: Enjoy Summer!

- Have a great summer!
- Focus on being a kid
- Read together
- Get lots of social experiences – parks, playgrounds, etc.



Thanks!



Thank you!

- Contact or visit the main office if you need any assistance.
- Office hours M-F 8:00 am - 4:00pm
- 425 837-5500