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Message from the *Superintendent*

Dear families and friends -

Last fall, hundreds of students, staff, parents/guardians and community members shared their voices through involvement in focus groups as part of the district's strategic planning process. We were interested in learning their thoughts on:

- What is Snohomish School District doing well?
- What could the Snohomish School District do to improve to meet the needs of our students?

Input from those focus groups was a key component used by a 26-member district Strategic Planning Committee that was made up of district staff, students, parent/guardians, community members, administrators, and School Board members. This Strategic Planning Committee diligently worked throughout the winter and spring to draft their recommended Strategic Plan framework elements. Included in their recommendation are a draft district mission statement, vision statement, core values and our ongoing commitments to our students, staff, families, and community.

This School Board-adopted Strategic Plan will be used to create a coordinated district action plan that will include a defined list of goals, strategies, and timelines. We are excited as this Strategic Plan will help us chart our course and will outline the goals for the future of the Snohomish School District. This Strategic Plan will guide our district as we work to create an educational community that ignites a passion for learning where every student is known and empowered. Please watch for more information and details in the months ahead at www.sno.wednet.edu/strategicplan.

As we head into summer vacation, I'd also like you to be aware of a number of summer activities. More information on many of them is available this issue of School Views.

- Through our Kids' Café summer meal program, our district expects to serve thousands of breakfasts and lunches to those who may have otherwise gone without.
- Our Book Café and summer literacy program will get books into the hands of thousands of kids.
- Our teachers and support staff will engage in meaningful professional development and other learning experiences throughout the summer.
- District staff will spend countless hours in the weeks ahead getting our classrooms, schools, buses, and playgrounds ready for the coming school year.

Thank you for your continued support of student learning and success! And as you look for opportunities to have fun, be safe and keep cool in the months ahead, don't forget to stop by our Snohomish Aquatic Center. I hope you enjoy your summer break, and I see you next school year!

Sincerely,
Dr. Kent Kultgen



Pieces of *Panther* *history*



Did you know?

- Snohomish High School (SHS) is one of Washington state's oldest and longest continuously operating high schools?
- The SHS library has a collection of yearbooks dating back to 1905?
- Miss Kathryn E. Case graduated from SHS's "four-year course" in 1889, graduated from the University of Washington in 1900 and then became a teacher of Latin and English for SHS in 1901?

These and other interesting and important SHS Panther highlights were recently uncovered by students in teacher John McPherson's AP U.S. History class as part of a collaborative assignment and project with the school library and its special collections. For more than a century, SHS has gathered, retained, and stored a variety of materials and pieces pertaining to SHS's history. This compilation is known as the special collections.

"Earlier in the school year, students from my AP U.S. History course expressed interest in the special collections during a library visit," said McPherson. "And from this interest and a desire to enhance and improve these special collections, emerged this collaboration."

"I have always been so impressed with the amazing records our former SHS librarians have kept," said school librarian Heidi Pike. "When I became the SHS librarian, I wanted to continue this tradition and organize the artifacts in a

way that students and eventually our entire community can enjoy."

As part of their assignment, students researched and promoted a single artifact drawn from the special collections. Students selected a piece that they believe is of great value to the Snohomish community and its understanding of life at SHS. Students then spent time photographing, researching, and publishing a social media post highlighting the artifact.

"I wanted students to make connections with past generations by starting with a very familiar topic – their own school!," said McPherson.

Pike and McPherson added that they would love for the community and Panther alumni to consider donating additional historical artifacts that may be hiding in attics, boxes, or scrapbooks to the library. Pike's goal is to eventually display these items in the library in an archivally safe way and to create a digital archive that the community can access online.



"We hope that through this student project, community members will become aware of the valuable holdings currently available within the special collections for viewing and study," said McPherson. "These items are not limited to student study ... they are available to the general public as well. We want the greater community to know that what has already been donated has been valued and respected."

**Learn more about this project at
www.sno.wednet.edu/news.**



Free breakfast and lunch for all kids 18 and under

Available every Monday through Friday
June 26 though September 1

There is no pre-registration or sign-up. Kids just need to show up and enjoy a great breakfast and/or lunch.

For more information about this summer meal program, visit www.sno.wednet.edu/kidscafe or contact the Snohomish School District Communications Department at communications@sno.wednet.edu.

Location/Lugar	Time/Hora
Snohomish Library 311 Maple Avenue, Snohomish	8:30 – 9 a.m. (breakfast) (Desayuno) Noon – 12:30 p.m. (lunch) (Almuerzo)
Valley View Middle School Cafeteria 14308 Broadway Avenue SE, Snohomish	8:30 – 9 a.m. (breakfast) (Desayuno) 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (lunch) (Almuerzo)
Three Rivers Mobile Home Park 13201 Elliott Road, Snohomish	11:15 – 11:30 a.m. (lunch only) (Solamente almuerzo)
Circle H Mobile Home Park 6413 123rd Avenue SE, Snohomish	12:45 – 1 p.m. (lunch only) (Solamente almuerzo)

This Snohomish School District breakfast and lunch program will be made available at no charge to children 18 years of age and younger. All meals are available without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll-free 800-795-3272 (voice) or 202-720-6382 (TDD). This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Desayuno y almuerzo gratis para todos los niños de 18 o menos

Disponible de lunes a viernes del 26 de junio al 1 de septiembre

No hay que anotarse antes. Los niños únicamente necesitan venir y disfrutar un desayuno y/o almuerzo muy rico.

Para más información sobre este programa de comidas de verano, visita www.sno.wednet.edu/kidscafe o comuníquense con el Departamento de comunicaciones del Distrito escolar de Snohomish en communications@sno.wednet.edu.

Este programa de desayuno y almuerzo del Distrito escolar de Snohomish estará disponible sin cobrar a los niños de 18 años o menos. Todas las comidas son disponibles sin tener en cuenta la raza, el color, el origen nacional, género, edad o discapacidad. Para meter una queja de discriminación, escribe a USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 o hable sin cobrar a 800-795-3272 (voz) o 202-720-6382 (TDD). Esta institucion es un empleador con igualdad de oportunidades de empleo.



Check out these summer literacy opportunities for students and their families. We hope to see you this summer!

Make sure you also keep a lookout for the Book Café in a neighborhood near you!
The Book Café will deliver free books for students to read throughout the summer. Watch for the Book Café vehicle on Tuesdays and Thursdays (July 11 - August 17) at the following locations:

Tuesdays/Martes:		
Three Rivers Mobile Home Park	13201 Elliott Road, Snohomish	11:15 a.m.
Snohomish Boys and Girls Club	402 2nd Street, Snohomish	Noon
Thursdays/Jueves:		
Plantation Park Mobile Home Park	9425 56th Street SE, Snohomish	11 a.m.
Snohomish Mobile Home and RV Park	1330 Avenue D, Snohomish	11:30 a.m.
Circle H Mobile Home Park	6413 123rd Avenue SE, Snohomish	12:30 p.m.

School libraries

A Snohomish School District staff member will be available at each of the following elementary school libraries to greet students and their families and to check-out books this summer. The following elementary school libraries will be open from 9 – 11 a.m. every Wednesday (July 5 through August 16):

Bibliotecas de las escuelas

Un miembro del personal del Distrito Escolar de Snohomish estará disponible en cada una de las siguientes bibliotecas de escuelas primarias para saludar a los estudiantes y sus familias y sacar libros este verano. Las siguientes bibliotecas de escuelas primarias estarán abiertas de 9 a 11 a.m. todos los miércoles (del 5 de julio al 16 de agosto):

- Cascade View Elementary
- Cathcart Elementary
- Dutch Hill Elementary
- Central Emerson Elementary (Emerson Campus)
- Little Cedars Elementary
- Machias Elementary
- Riverview Elementary
- Seattle Hill Elementary
- Totem Falls Elementary

Important Back-to-School Information

Elementary meet-the-teacher events
Elementary school meet-the-teacher events will be held on Thursday, August 31. Please check district or elementary school websites throughout the summer months for the times of those individual events.

Centennial Middle School	
Tuesday, August 22	
9 a.m. – Noon	7th graders
Wednesday, August 23	
9 a.m. – Noon	8th graders
4 – 6 p.m.	7th and 8th graders

Valley View Middle School	
Tuesday, August 22	
10 – 11 a.m.	8th graders (last name A – H)
11 a.m. – Noon	8th graders (last name I – M)
Noon – 1 p.m.	8th graders (last name N – Z)
Wednesday, August 23	
10 – 11 a.m.	7th graders (last name A – H)
11 a.m. – Noon	7th graders (last name I – M)
Noon – 1 p.m.	7th graders (last name N – Z)
4 – 6 p.m.	7th and 8th graders

Secondary school start-up events
Our middle and high school student registration/start-up events are opportunities to pay fees for ASB, meal accounts and athletics; buy yearbooks; get Skyward/Family Access student login access; sign up for fall sports; and more.

Glacier Peak High School	
Tuesday, August 22	
Noon – 1:30 p.m.	Freshman and sophomores (born January – June)
1:30 – 3 p.m.	Freshman and sophomores (born July – December)
3 – 4 p.m.	Open session for all students
Wednesday, August 23	
10 – 11:30 a.m.	Juniors and seniors (born January – June)
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Juniors and seniors (born July – December)
1 – 2 p.m.	Open session for all students

Snohomish High School	
Tuesday, August 22	
8 – 9:30 a.m.	Juniors and seniors (born January – June)
9:30 – 11 a.m.	Juniors and seniors (born July – December)
12:30 – 1:30 p.m.	Sophomores (born January – June)
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	Sophomores (born July – December)
Wednesday, August 23	
12:30 – 2 p.m.	Freshmen (born January – June)
2 – 3:30 p.m.	Freshmen (born July – December)
5 – 7 p.m.	Open session for all students



First day of school
• **Wednesday, September 6:** First day of school for 1st – 7th and 9th graders.
• **Thursday, September 7 and Friday, September 8:** All students except kindergarteners attend school.
• **Monday, September 11:** First day of school for students in kindergarten.

AIM High School and Parent Partnership Program (PPP)
Please check school websites for orientation and first day of school information.

School offices
• School offices will be closed during the summer.
• School offices will reopen on Monday, August 14.

Skyward/Family Access
Skyward/Family Access will open at noon (elementary) and 6 p.m. (middle and high school) on Thursday, August 31, for viewing teacher assignments, student schedules, food service information and other important information. Please note that individual teacher assignments and student schedules may be subject to change up to the first day of school.

School websites
Please check district or school websites throughout the summer for more information about school supply lists, high school summer assignments free/reduced meal applications, immunizations, breakfast/lunch menus, school newsletter subscriptions, student transportation and more.



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Summer Splash!



Swim and dive lessons, FlowRider® surf-simulation machine, youth swim team, lifeguard training, water fitness opportunities, and open rec swim sessions are a part of our Snohomish Aquatic Center this summer! Come join us and splash on in!

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516 Maple Avenue in Snohomish
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www.snohomishaquatic.com

Visit our website at www.snohomishaquatic.com for schedules, rules, fees, and more.

Did you know the majority of people who live in the Snohomish School District do not have school-aged children? The purpose of School Views is to let our community know about the programs,

events and activities happening in their Snohomish School District. To reduce the cost of postage we use a bulk mailing process that delivers to every residential customer on a carrier's route.