

# Welcome to Cascade Ridge Elementary



Kindergarten Information Night 25/26

\*\*Please sign in with your name, email and child's name\*\*



#### Introductions

- Jennifer Sehlin, Principal
- Michelle Moon, Dean of Students
- Sue Wickstrand, Registrar
- Wen Xu, School Nurse

\*This presentation will be emailed to you by the end of the week and posted on our school website.





### Kindergarten Timeline

- Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Online enrollment opens
- Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Optional district Informational Event – Kindergarten Families new to US public school system (registration required)
- April 2025 PreK assessments
- May 28, 2025 Kindergarten Family Night at Cascade Ridge



# New to US School System - Optional Event Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>,2025 ~ Zoom)

When: Wednesday, March 12th, 2025 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Where: Zoom Presentations in English, 普通话, and Español – <u>REGISTER</u> HERE

**Who:** All parents and caregivers of incoming kindergarten students 2025-2026 new to US public schools.

What: Information will include-

- Kindergarten preparedness
- general school day schedule (lunch and recess)
- classroom general information
- transportation
- immunization
- on-site before and after school care program
- differences between school systems in US vs some other countries
- The event is designed for families new to US public schools.
- If you need interpretation in another language (한국어, 日本語, русский) or have any questions, please contact Lorna Gilmour <u>gilmourl@issaquah.wednet.edu</u> by Monday, March 10, 2025.







#### **Pre-K Assessment**

April 2025 – Sign up will come from school (Sign up Genius)

#### Purpose:

- -Assist in making appropriate class placement
- -Baseline/snapshot of PreK skills (Letters, sounds, sight words, numbers, counting)
- -No prep needed
- -Quick 10-15 minutes, on site at Cascade Ridge
- -Watch for email at the end of March, once enrollment application is complete



#### Cascade Ridge Kindergarten Orientation/Family Night

Wednesday, May 28, 2025 5:00-6:00 pm, Cascade Ridge

- -Incoming Kindergarten students and families
- -Kindergarten students experience a classroom
- -Families/Caregivers presentation about Kindergarten & PTSA presentation



# Kindergarten Timeline

- Summer 2025 Watch PTSA website for summer meet ups/playdates <a href="https://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Home">https://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Home</a>
- August 2025 Enrollment Verification Process (EVP) details in August Enews Bulletin, Required for all students
- August 15, 2025 If your child has a life-threatening health condition with medication (ex. Epi pen), it needs to be in place at school with health plan



### Kindergarten Timeline

- Wednesday, August 27, 2025 Meet the Teacher Event (am- all grades) & Kindergarten only Curriculum Night (pm - parent only)
- Thursday, August 28, 2025 First day Grades 1st-5th
- Thursday, August 28, Friday, August 29, & Tuesday, September 2, 2025 Individual Family Connection Meetings (Email sign up mid August).
- September 3, 2025 First day of school for Kindergarten students



#### First Day of Kindergarten

Wednesday, September 3, 2025







### Cascade Ridge Information

 Click here to sign up for the weekly bulletin for Cascade Ridge!

# Sign Up for the Weekly Bulletin

Thank you for your interest in keeping in touch with the ISD and its schools! Please note, weekly bulletin email lists are updated each Friday, so it make take a few business days for your new subscription to become active. In the meantime, you can check out all **District Announcements** or **District News** on their respective webpages. For school information, please visit your school's homepage.



# Cascade Ridge Information

#### A few things to note about Cascade Ridge

- All students get Full Day
- If you want Half Day indicate on online enrollment
- No district transportation Cascade is an all-walking school



### Cascade Ridge Information

#### Later you will get more information on...

- School supplies (watch Enews bulletin this spring)
- School lunch
- Drop off/pick up locations no buses, walking only school
- Communication with staff
- Curriculum/Kindergarten standards





#### 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 multipurpose 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 <a href="https://www.isd411.org">www.isd411.org</a>
<a href="programs and services">programs and services</a> ->

**QUESTIONS?** 

before and after school care

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#### **Schools**

Cascade Ridge, Cedar Trails ,Challenger, Creekside, Discovery, Endeavour, Sunny Hills Beaver Lake Middle, Pine Lake Middle, Skyline High

#### Welcome Families, My name is Wenli Mithal, your Family Liaison.

I am part of the ISD Equity, Belonging and Family Partnership Department. We host information sessions for families with a wide variety of topics throughout the school year. Family Partnerships - Issaquah School District 411

If you need interpretation, we arrange to host these sessions in your preferred language.



#### How can I help you?

- Help new families with registration and other online forms
- Answer questions about your school, the District, or the school system
- Connect you with community resources and program
- Support you to connect and communicate with school and District staff



#### **Online Registration**

- Registrar, Sue Wickstrand
  - wickstrands@lssaquah.wednet.edu
- February enrollment opens
- Do not enroll before March 12<sup>th</sup>, but earlier the better!
- Help us spread the word!
- Click district website for link to enroll





# If your child will be 5 years old by August 31, 2025 and you reside within the Cascade Ridge attendance area\*:

- 1. Complete Online Registration (starting 3/12/25)
- Return required forms to office (via email or hand deliver)
   \*Some forms uploaded via district online registration, some will be included in packet (stop by the office if unable to pick up tonight) and need to be filled out and/or scanned/printed and returned.

The following required documents must be submitted for enrollment: student's birth certificate, immunization record, parent identification, home purchase papers or rental agreement and a Puget Sound Energy bill or set-up of service letter

\*If outside of the area, see Ms. Sehlin or Ms. Wickstrand



Nurse: Wen Xu

Health Room Specialist: Kari Klosterman





# Immunizations & Life-Threatening Health Conditions

Students new to the Issaquah School District, Including Incoming Kindergarten Students

2025-26



### **Medically Verified Immunization Records**

- Students new to the Issaquah School District and incoming Kindergarten students need to provide a medically verified immunization record at the time of registration.
- A medically verified record can come directly from the Washington State Immunization Information System (WAIIS).
- **The WAIIS** is the database for Washington State and is where medically verified immunization information is maintained. All parents have access to this site to print a validated Certificate of Immunization (**CIS**) for students. Health Care Practitioner offices also have this information for their families.



# Acceptable Immunization Documentation Includes ONE of the Following:

- A Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) printed from the (WAIIS)
- A physical copy of the State CIS form with a healthcare provider signature.
- A physical copy of the CIS with accompanying medical immunization records from a healthcare provider verified and signed by school staff
- A CIS printed from MyIR.
   Wa.myir.net

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# Required Immunizations for New Students

- 2 MMR's (measles, mumps and rubella) given in the appropriate time frames
- 5 doses of DTaP (diphtheria, tetanus & pertussis) given in the appropriate time frames
- 2 doses of varicella given in the appropriate time frames
- 4 doses of polio (IPV) given in a specific time frames
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B, given in the appropriate time frames
- 1 Tdap for students 7th grade and above
- Vaccines against COVID-19 are not required for school attendance.



# 30 Day Conditional Status from the First Day of Attendance no Longer in Effect

Students will need a completed CIS or Certificate of Exemption (COE) on file at school before the first day of attendance.

If students are missing doses, they will need to get **all the doses they are eligible** to receive **before** starting school. They can then attend school in a Conditional Status until the minimum valid date of the next vaccine is reached. They then have 30 calendar days to turn in documentation of having received the dose. This continues on until all vaccines have been administered and documented.



### **Example**

- If a child has all their immunizations except the 2-dose MMR series, and they get dose 1 of the MMR the day before school starts and it is documented with the school that day, the child can enter school because...
  - Dose 2 of the MMR cannot be given until 28 days after the first dose.
  - Beginning on day 29 after the first dose, the child has 30 days to get MMR dose #2.



# We are moving from another state and cannot find our immunization records. Now what?



 Immunization records from another state's immunization registry are accepted as medically verified records.

#### OR

 Call your provider in the state you moved from and have them send the immunization records directly to the school either by fax or by email.



# We are moving from another country and cannot find our child's immunization records. What do we do?

- Immunizations verified by the Immigration Dept are accepted
- If possible, contact the provider in your first country via email or phone to have them send you the records
- Get established with a provider in this country. They can order lab titers to be drawn which will determine if your child has immunity to the different diseases.





#### WHERE CAN I GET MY CHILD IMMUNIZED?

- Your healthcare provider
- WithinReach, Family Health Hotline: 800-322-2588

http://www.withinreachwa.org/

Community Health Access Program:
 206-284-0331 or 800-756-5437

https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/locations/health-insurance/access-and-outreach/community-health-access-program.aspx



#### SUMMARY of IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION

- Your student may register for school, but MAY NOT attend school until provider-verified immunizations have been received and validated by the school nurse.
- The child must have all immunizations they are eligible to receive prior to starting school.
- Or there is a **Certificate of Exemption** on file signed by the parent AND the licensed healthcare provider.



# Please Notify the School if your Child has a Life-Threatening Health Condition such as:

- A severe allergy for which an epinephrine auto injector device (Epipen™) has been prescribed.
- Diabetes
- Severe asthma
- A seizure disorder
- A cardiac condition
- Adrenal Insufficiency
- Other conditions of concern



# Why does the school need to know if my child has one of these conditions?

- If your child has a life-threatening condition, WA state law says there
  must be an emergency care plan and any associated medication in
  place in the school building before the child can attend school BY
  AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- This is to keep the student safe in the event they experience a medical emergency during the school day.
- If your child has a life-threatening condition, please contact the school nurse in your child's school before the student attends.



# **Questions?**







# Thank you!

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