Edmonds School District

Summer 2025

Community Report



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New student enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year is open.
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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope this message finds you enjoying all that summer has to offer in our community. This time of year often offers me time to reflect on the past school year and I want to take a moment to express my deepest appreciation for each and every one of you who helps make our Edmonds School District community so special.

To the Class of 2025 — congratulations! Your hard work, resilience, and determination have brought you to this milestone. We are so proud of all you have achieved, both inside and outside the classroom. Whether you are headed to college, a trade, the military, or directly into the workforce, we know you will carry the values and experiences of Edmonds with you. We can't wait to see where your journey takes you next.

To our dedicated staff — thank you for your unwavering commitment to our students, families and schools. Your passion, hard work and care have created environments where students feel seen, supported, and empowered to grow.

To our incredible volunteers — thank you for the countless hours you have invested in our schools. Whether you've been reading with students, helping in classrooms, chaperoning events, or serving on advisory committees, your partnership has made a meaningful difference.

To our families and caregivers — thank you for your ongoing trust, involvement, and collaboration. We are proud to walk alongside you in support of your students' success. This partnership is essential, and we are grateful to work together to ensure that every child in our district is seen, challenged, and celebrated.

And to the communities we serve — thank you for your steadfast support of public education. Whether it's cheering for students at concerts and games, staying current on issues impacting our district, or supporting local partnerships, your commitment strengthens everything we do. Our schools thrive because of the strong foundation our communities provide.

I hope each of you finds time for rest, reflection, and connection. We look forward to welcoming our students and staff back in the fall, refreshed and ready for another great year of learning and success.

Warm regards,

Rebecca

Rebecca Miner
Superintendent



OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

School boards are the link between public schools and the communities they serve. As publicly elected officials and members of their local communities, school directors are uniquely positioned to:

- Create a community-wide, shared vision and set goals for improving student achievement
- Create the conditions and direct the resources for accelerating improvement
- Hold the system accountable to high and equitable achievement for each and every student
- Communicate the needs and progress of students to the community
- Build public will to improve outcomes for all students.



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New Students Can Be Enrolled Easily Online

Do you have a new student joining our schools? Save time by registering online! Our easy-to-use online registration system helps you get your student ready for school from the comfort of your home. Enroll today to ensure your student is all set for a great year of learning and connection. Visit **bit.ly/EnrollESD** or scan the QR code to get started today!

Scan to Enroll Your Student

In-Person Enrollment Support Available

Families looking to register new students in the Edmonds School District over the summer will be able to access centralized enrollment services **through August 15**, offering support for new student registration while school offices are closed for summer break.

In-person assistance will be provided at the Educational Services Center (ESC) Rooms 101/102, 20420 68th Ave. W in Lynnwood, during the following days and times:

- Mondays: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesdays: Closed for Processing
- Thursdays: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Fridays: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Saturdays/Sundays: Closed



Key Calendar Dates for the 2025-2026 School Year

- **Sept. 3:** First Day of School for Grades 1-12
- **Sept. 8:** First Day of Kindergarten
- **Sept. 22:** First Day of Edmonds Preschool
- **Oct. 24**: No School - Staff Work Day
- **Oct. 27-30:** Elementary Half Day Early Release for Conferences
- **Oct. 31**: Half Day Early Release for All Grades
- **Nov. 11:** No School - Veterans Day
- **Nov. 26-28:** No School - Thanksgiving Break
- **Dec. 22-Jan. 2:** No School - Winter Break
- **Jan. 19:** No School - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- **Jan. 26:** No School - Teacher Grading Day
- **Feb. 16-17:** No School - Presidents' Day Break
- **March 11-12:** Elementary Half Day Early Release for Conferences
- **March 13:** No School - Staff Work Day
- **April 6-10:** No School - Spring Break
- **May 22:** No School - Staff Work Day
- **May 25:** No School - Memorial Day
- **June 18**: Half Day Early Release for Last Day of School









Celebrating the Class of 2025!

The Edmonds School District proudly celebrates the Class of 2025! This year's graduates have shown remarkable resilience, creativity, and dedication throughout their educational journeys, leaving a lasting impact on our schools and community.

Whether in classrooms, on the stage, in athletic competitions, or through service to others, our graduates have demonstrated what it means to lead with kindness, curiosity, and a commitment to making the world a better place. We are inspired by the many paths they will take, from college and career training to entering the workforce or serving in the military. We know they will continue to represent us with pride wherever they go.

Congratulations, Class of 2025! We wish you all the best on your journey ahead.

Scan to watch our Class of 2025 Graduation Slideshow Video

bit.ly/ESDGrads2025

Seniors Return to Their Former Schools for Heartwarming Grad Walks

Over the last weeks of the school year, elementary and middle schools across the Edmonds School District welcomed graduating seniors back for an unforgettable tradition—Grad Walks. Dressed in their caps and gowns, members of the Class of 2025 paraded through campuses of their former schools to cheers, applause, high-fives, and handmade signs from younger students and teachers.

These walks are more than just a celebration, they're a meaningful way to inspire our younger learners, showing them the possibilities that lie ahead. For our graduates, it's also a moment to reflect on how far they've come and reconnect with the educators who supported them along the way.



Scan to watch our Class of 2025 Grad Walks Slideshow Video

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View Our Annual Report Online

We invite you to explore the Edmonds School District's Annual Report webpage, a valuable resource that provides families, staff, and community members with an in-depth look at our district's performance, priorities, and progress.

On this site, you'll find detailed information and helpful links related to the following key areas:

- Strategic Plan – Learn about our vision, goals, and the strategies we're using to guide continuous improvement across all schools.
- School Performance Reports – Access data and insights about academic achievement, attendance, and other important indicators for each school in the district.
- School Improvement Plans – See how each school is setting goals and taking action to support student growth and success.
- Budgets – Review how we responsibly manage public funds to meet student needs and invest in the future.
- Capital Projects – Find updates on major construction and renovation projects funded through voter-approved bonds.
- Ways to Support and Volunteer – Discover how you can get involved and make a positive difference in our schools and for our students.

We believe in transparency and shared responsibility—and this site is part of our commitment to keeping our community informed and engaged.

Scan to visit our Annual Report web page

bit.ly/ESDannualreport



Mountlake Terrace HS Jazz Ensemble Shines on National Stage at 2025 Essentially Ellington Festival

Mountlake Terrace High School Jazz Ensemble 1 performed at the 2025 Essentially Ellington High School Jazz Festival and Competition in New York in May. They shared the stage with 30 of the top high school jazz bands from around the world.

In addition to the ensemble's remarkable performance, three Mountlake Terrace High School jazz musicians were recognized with individual honors for their outstanding musicianship. Sophie Ionitsa, a freshman, received an outstanding pianist award; Justin Ho, a senior, received an outstanding guitarist award; and Bennett Harvey, a senior, received an honorable mention trombonist award. These individual recognitions highlight the depth of talent within the ensemble and the strength of the jazz program at Mountlake Terrace.

During the jazz ensemble's performance Band Director Darin Faul recognized the tremendous support in and around Mountlake Terrace. "We've experienced unprecedented support and encouragement from our community," he acknowledged to the audience. "We feel that, and we really appreciate all of you for that. It matters!"

Scan to watch the MTHS Jazz Band's performance at the Essentially Ellington Festival and Competition

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Top L-R: Building D, digital rendering of what the school will look like facing the main entrance. Bottom L-R: Building C, standard classroom, hallway into classroom pod.

Oak Heights Elementary Construction Phase Underway

Construction is underway on the new Oak Heights Elementary School, marking an exciting step forward for students, staff, and the community. The new 84,000-square-foot facility is designed to continue serving 620 elementary students while creating a learning environment focused on safety, sustainability, and student wellbeing.

The replacement school is thoughtfully designed as a series of three separate buildings, spaced apart to allow the park-like site to flow around and through them. This design approach integrates nature into the everyday school experience, providing students with a strong connection to the outdoors.

Each building is oriented lengthwise from east to west to optimize solar exposure, allowing most spaces to receive north and south daylight, which is easier to manage for classroom comfort and energy efficiency. The buildings are connected by a central north-south circulation path, which alternates between interior space, exterior covered walkways, and a welcoming entry plaza.

Safety and security have been key considerations in the design, utilizing the principles of concentric rings of control: deter, detect, and delay. These measures have been carefully balanced with the district's commitment to student learning and wellbeing, ensuring that Oak Heights will continue to be a place where students can learn and thrive in a safe, inspiring environment.

Construction is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2026, with students set to return to their new campus for the 2026-2027 school year.

The Oak Heights community can look forward to a facility that not only supports modern educational needs but also fosters a strong sense of connection between students, nature, and the wider community as construction progresses toward completion.

This project, and the one on the following page, are funded by the voter-approved 2024 Capital Construction Bond. By law, bond funds cannot be used for day-to-day operating costs of schools or the school district. Instead, they are designated for major construction projects like these to improve learning environments for students and staff.

Scan to learn more about these projects and others on our Capital Projects web page

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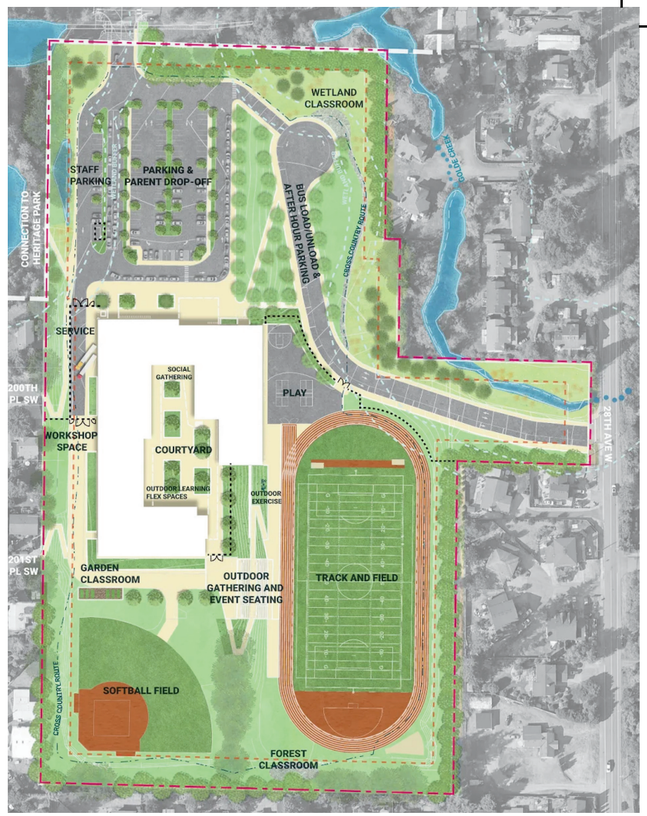
New Middle School Moves into Schematic Design Phase

The Edmonds School District is excited to share that the New Middle School replacement project has officially entered the schematic design phase.

Throughout the 2024–2025 school year, we have engaged stakeholders through six Design Review Committee meetings, three District Steering Committee meetings, and a Neighborhood Open House held on April 2. Feedback from these sessions, along with input from our architectural, engineering, and general contractor/construction manager teams, has helped shape the early development of an overall site layout.

At this stage, all designs remain schematic and are subject to change as we move through future design phases and work closely with jurisdictional authorities. As we continue into the next design phases, we will refine these concepts with a strong focus on creating a facility that maximizes educational outcomes and serves as a valuable resource for the entire community.

Over the next two years, we will continue to fine-tune the design and complete the permitting process.



Schematic design of new middle school campus.

Construction is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2026, with the new school expected to open for students at the start of the 2028–2029 academic year

Spruce Elementary Celebrates Big Win in Coral Conservation Contest

Dr. Jennie Warmouth's second-grade class at Spruce Elementary has been named the 2nd–3rd grade winner of the 2024 Seattle Aquarium School Coral Conservation Contest for their collaborative non-fiction project, Coral Reef Times.

Created as part of their environmental studies, the publication features student writing, original artwork, and a creative performance piece titled Under the Sea with Jacques Cousteau, all highlighting their passion for ocean conservation. To deepen their learning, both the second-grade students and their Dual Language Kindergarten buddies from Dr. Briseño's class took a joint field trip to the Seattle Aquarium for hands-on exploration of coral ecosystems.

The judges were so impressed by the kindergarteners' contributions that they were also named winners, despite there not being a category for their grade level this year.

Congratulations to Spruce Elementary's young environmentalists and educators for using creativity, science, and collaboration to make a lasting impact!



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BE A HERO - BECOME A BUS DRIVER

We need to hire additional dedicated bus drivers this summer to ensure a smooth start to the 2025-26 school year. Our drivers are essential for getting students safely to and from school, setting the tone for a positive learning day.

Why Drive With Us?
- Competitive pay & benefits
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This publication aims to inform all residents in our school district, including households without school-aged children, about what's happening with our students and schools.