

Greetings, Jaguar Families!

As I look out my office window, I am captivated by the vibrant orange leaves on the trees. Fall is here, and I hope your family is settling into the school year routines. One important routine for all students, from preschool through fifth grade, is getting enough sleep so they are ready to begin the school day on time. The breakfast doors open at 7:40 a.m., and teachers welcome students at their classroom doors at 7:50 a.m. Arriving in class and being ready to learn by 8:00 a.m. supports students' sense of belonging, strengthens the classroom community, and creates a smooth start to learning.

Bellevue School District schools will be closed Friday, October 9. There will be no school.

We have several important events coming up this month that offer opportunities for families to connect with our school community.

Curriculum Night | Tuesday, October 6

We welcome all students and families to Curriculum Night on Tuesday, October 6. Pizza will be served in the courtyard from 4:30–5:00 p.m., followed by an opening session with the administrative team in the café at 5:10 p.m.

Curriculum Night gives students an opportunity to introduce their families to school staff and share the important learning taking place in classrooms and other learning spaces. A detailed schedule is included below.

Family Connections & Resources | Tuesday, October 13

Join us Tuesday, October 13, from 8:30–11:00 a.m. at Sammamish High School for a morning of support, resources, and connection. This event is open to all Lake Hills Elementary and Sammamish High School families. Enjoy coffee and pastries while receiving help with school applications and ParentVUE.

You will have the opportunity to:

- Complete the Free and Reduced-Price Lunch Application.
- Complete the Fee Waiver Application to access additional benefits and support for your family.
- Get help downloading, setting up, or resetting your ParentVUE account.
- Connect with community resources, including the Bellevue Library, YouthLink, Boys & Girls Clubs, and more!

Don't miss this opportunity. These applications and resources are important tools that help ensure your family and student have access to available support and benefits through our schools and community.

Multilingual Learner Parent Coffee and Connection | Tuesday, October 20

You're invited to attend our MLL Parent Coffee with Ms. Guida and Ms. O'Hare on Tuesday, October 20, in Room 117. Two identical 45-minute sessions will be offered at 8:00 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. Please check in at the main office when you arrive.

We will discuss the following topics:

- Ideas for supporting your child as they learn a new language.
- Strategies for engaging children in fun, meaningful activities at home.
- How we support language development at Lake Hills.

Coffee and light snacks will be provided.

Our school team looks forward to connecting with our families throughout this month.

United,
Cathy Elder
Principal

This is our monthly family communication. It will typically be sent on the first Friday of each month and posted on our school webpage: <https://bsd405.org/LakeHills/>. Our PTSA will send additional communications about its events and activities.