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Reflections Entries are due to Mrs.
Crosby by Friday.
December 4th.

## THE MARSHALL MUSTANG

December 2021

## Principal's Message

Hello families.

We are closing out November and I have so much gratitude for everyone I encounter each and every day. Our staff and students work incredibly hard growing their brains and following our Mustang Mission. They all continue to impress me each day. During November, we celebrated our veterans with a presentation Ms. Moll created. As a former military wife, Veterans Day is near and dear to my heart. I am proud of how our students honored our staff who are veterans and our families who are veterans. In addition, I am just grateful to be part of the Marshall family and see how our students continue to be kind and caring to everyone they work with.

During the month of December, we will celebrate our first school-wide recess. As a reminder, students earn blue tickets by representing our Marshall Mission which includes being safe, responsible, and respectful. When a class fills up their board, they celebrate as a class and they also get to turn in a blue ticket to our school-wide board. We are super excited we have filled our board and have earned an extra recess! Earning an extra recess was suggested by our students and we are excited to continue to ask for student ideas on what they would like to earn when we fill up the board again!

As we head into December, we will have lots of great celebrations. Please know we have students who celebrate in many different ways. We would love to hear how you celebrate during this time of year so we can explore ways to honor traditions for all of our students. Ms. Allen and I are working with Ms. Moll on the upcoming winter sing-a-long. We will have two separate sing-alongs; one for students during the day and the other one will be for families on Thursday, December 16th at 7pm via an online format (not in person). We will send more information soon and hope you can join us.

I am grateful and appreciate your partnership. I hope you had a wonderful long weekend and I look forward to another great

month at Marshall.

Sincerely,

Katy Rudolph Principal

### WINTER WEATHER

Winter is fast approaching and may even feel as though it has already arrived. Now may be a good time to ensure that your child is prepared for unexpected weather while at school. Following are some ideas to help in this preparation:

- Wear layers of clothing, including a coat;
- · Place extra clothing in the backpack; and

### Thank You

Our PTSA would like to thank everyone who donated grocery gift cards to some of our families. We collected \$1.025 and were able to assist over 20 families.

We truly have a great community at Marshall Elementary School.

 Mark all clothing with the child's name in case it is misplaced.

A publication was created by our Transportation Department outlining basic procedural information to be used when inclement weather affects the schools and/or transportation. For your convenience, we are providing this information on page 3.

## Holiday Concert

Please join Mrs. Moll for a virtual Winter Holiday Sing-Along on Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

This event will be held via Zoom and Facebook. Links will be sent home in an email later this month.



## PJ Day & Sing Along

Marshall will have a virtual school-wide Sing-Along on Friday, December 17, 2021. This will be a new and fun way to join others in singing.

Additionally, students may wear pajamas to school on Friday, December 17th. Please ensure they are clean and appropriate.

Please, NO SLIPPERS as they are not appropriate for outdoor play.

### GOOD ATTENDANCE TIPS

It's very important for your child to attend school every day. Here are five tips to ensure good school attendance:

- 1. Set a regular bedtime and morning routine;
- 2. Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before;
- 3. If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors, or other parents for advice on how to make them feel comfortable and excited about learning;
- 4. Develop back-up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent; and
- 5. Avoid medical appointments and extended trips when school is in session.

### **Fact**

Half of students who miss 2—4 days of school in September will go on to miss nearly a month of school this year.

### classroom celebration guidelines

When planning food-related activities, including celebrations and cooking, please check with the classroom teacher regarding any specific food concerns and needs of the students in the class. In order to accommodate life-threatening allergies, Lactose and Gluten intolerance, Diabetes, cultural considerations as well as other needs, please adhere to the following:

- 1. Send only commercially prepared foods, such as cookies, cupcakes, dips, etc.;
- 2. Send only commercial packages of fruits, vegetables and ice cream (i.e., individualized cups, popsicles);
- 3. Send only packaged chips or candies.

If you have questions about foods not included in the above-referenced list, please discuss in advance with the class-room teacher and the District Nurse.

Additional precautions to be observed are as follows:

- Strict enforcement of hand-washing by all staff handling the food items;
- Use gloves when handling and serving food; and
- Instruct children not to share food or drinks with others.

Non-Discrimination Statement: Marysville School District complies with all federal and Washington State rules and regulations and will provide equal employment opportunity and treatment for all applicants and staff in recruitment, hiring, retention, assignment, transfer, promotion, and training. Such equal employment opportunity will be provided without discrimination with respect to race, creed, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. The following employees have been designated to address questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Civil Rights Coordinator - Gregg Kuehn, Director of Risk Management, Facilities, and Maintenance, 360-965-0110; Title IX Officer - Tracy Souza, Director of COVID-19 Health and Safety, 360-965-0076; Section 504 Coordinator and ADA Coordinator, Trish Campbell, Executive Director of Special Education, 360-965-0174. Discrimination and discriminatory harassment may be reported to any school staff member or to the district's Civil Rights Coordinator, listed above. You also have the right to file a written complaint. Address: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA 98270. Website: www.msd25.org. Marysville School District is a drug- and tobacco-free workplace. Policies that address this issue are Policy 3210 "Non-Discrimination" & 5010 - "Non-Discrimination and Affirmative Action." These Policies are available online at www.msd25.org at your school, or at the District Office: 4220 80<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Marysville, WA, 360-965-0000.

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# Marysville School District School Operation during Snow or Inclement Weather PARENT INFORMATION

This bulletin is to inform parents and students about procedures in effect during periods of extreme weather conditions. Please attach this bulletin to your refrigerator for information during bad weather.

### I BASIC INFORMATION

- a) Every reasonable effort is made to operate school every day.
- b) There will be times when it may be desirable to operate schools even though it may not be possible to operate buses.
- c) The State Board of Education requires that all days of school closure be made up during the school year.
- d) Decisions regarding school closure or bus route modification for ice and snow will seldom be made the night before. Climate conditions in this area can change so rapidly during the night that such decisions are not feasible.
- e) Decisions regarding school closures or bus route modifications will be made by 5:00 AM whenever possible. Decisions for afternoon take home bus route modification will be made prior to 1:00 PM. Announcements are published on radio and television stations, the internet at <a href="www.flashalert.net">www.flashalert.net</a>, posted on the district website at <a href="www.msd25.org">www.msd25.org</a>, shared via social media, and the district's alert system.

### II WHERE TO GET INFORMATION AND UPDATES

RADIO: KMPS (94.1 FM) KRKO (1380) KOMO (1000AM) KIRO (710 AM)
TV: KOMO (TV 4) KING (TV 5) KCPQ (TV 13) KIRO (TV 7)
INTERNET: www.flashalert.net, www.msd25.org, Facebook (www.facebook.com/MarysvilleSD/) or

Twitter (@msd25)

PHONE: 360-965-0000 menu option # 8

Please do not call the U.S. Weather Bureau, School Authorities or radio stations for information.

### III PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*If there is a change to the regular schedule

### a) LIMITED TRANSPORTATION

If the announcement for this district proclaims a "Limited Transportation Schedule", it means that Bus Service will be available on "Main Roads Only".

b) LATE START

The District may determine that a "Late Starting Time" is desirable. Listen to the radio stations, or watch TV news for this particular announcement. The information will also be available online at <a href="www.flashalert.net">www.flashalert.net</a>, posted on the district website at <a href="www.msd25.org">www.msd25.org</a>, shared via social media, and the district's alert system. If school starts late, it will dismiss at the normal time.

c) CLOSURE OF SCHOOL

School closure means complete **CANCELLATION OF ALL SCHOOL ACTIVITIES** involving students for that day. This includes before/after school activities and sports events.

d) ROAD CLOSURE

Certain roads are closed by city or county officials during periods of "Load Limits" caused by thawing conditions. Buses will not travel on any roads that have been closed by the city or county officials.

### PLEASE REVIEW THE LIMITED TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULES

Posted on the Marysville School District website: www.msd25.org/Transportation



















## Merrysville for the Holidays

Several of our very own MCEP (Co-Op) families will be participating in the Electric Lights Parade on Saturday, December 4th. Click <a href="here">here</a> for details.

## Winter Break

Monday, December 20, 2021 through Friday, December 31, 2021. Classes will resume on Monday. January 3, 2022.



Wear your Marshall spirit shirts on Thursdays or wear blue and gold to show your school spirit!

Shirts on order are delayed due to supply chain issues. We should have a better idea of a delivery time after our Winter Break. We are sorry for the inconvenience.



Think about sending miniature cupcakes or cookies instead of large sweet treats for classroom celebrations. They can be just as satisfying!

### Mr. Wolf's Counseling Corner

Hello Marshall Families,



Please let us know if you need clothing assistance for your student(s) and/or weekend food support. We have a few programs in place that are available to support students who qualify for free or reduced lunches:

- **Operation School Bell** takes clothing assistance applications through the school counselor and will complete orders by filing a bag with new clothing and these are then sent home from the school.
- **Clothes for Kids** offers clothing assistance as well and needs a completed application from the school and then you can take your child to the center to pick up the clothing.
- Food for Thought is a food bag provided from the Marysville Food Bank. These bags are sent home from school typically on Thursdays or one or two days prior to a holiday.

You can also visit <a href="http://marysvillefoodbank.org">http://marysvillefoodbank.org</a> to sign up for various food programs, including help for Thanksgiving and their upcoming Toy Store.

We do have some hygiene kits, back packs and school supplies as well.

Please let us know if you need access to these resources or if there any other resources you may need.

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Marshall
Elementary Staff
wishes a safe and
happy holiday season
to everyone.

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