



## RENAISSANCE RAVEN REVIEW

April 5, 2019

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**Have an enjoyable, relaxing and safe spring Break!**

### **APRIL 15- SPEAKER @ RSAR**

After spring break, On Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> we are pleased to welcome guest speaker, Esteban Gast to our school. Esteban will share the message of "Questions to ask about kindness" to the entire school and will work with each grade level discussing, "What gets in the way of kindness" more in depth. To Find out more about Esteban please visit his website, [www.estebangast.com](http://www.estebangast.com).

### **2019/2020 CONTINUING STUDENT ENROLLMENT**

\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* If your student has not returned the continuing student form please do so as soon as possible when we return from spring break. This is important as it impacts our enrollment and waitlist. Please complete the attached Student Commitment form and return them to the Renaissance School office.

### **STATE TESTING STARTS SOON**

Each spring, all Washington public school students in grades 3-8 are assessed in English Language Arts (ELA) and math using Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA). Students in grades 5 and 8 are also assessed in science using the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS). Results from these assessments provide meaningful feedback and data that teachers and other educators can use to help students succeed. In addition, the results provide data to help evaluate school-level and district-wide instructional strategies, initiatives and other programs.

Students in LWSD will begin testing at the end of March. Each school has a different testing schedule: students at Renaissance School will be tested on the following dates:

**MAY 21 & 23 SBA ELA TESTING ALL GRADES**

**MAY 30 WCAS STATE TESTING 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

**JUNE 3 & 5 SBA MATH TESTING ALL GRADES**

[Learn more](#) about the state assessments on the district website.

## **PTSA CORNER**

**Last chance nominations due today! Please see attached nomination form for more information.**

Mark your calendars, the next General Membership meeting will be on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. More information to follow.

Want to be more involved? Want to know your volunteer hours requirement is met before the school year even starts? Then being a part of the 2019-2020 RSAR PTSA board may be your solution! We are currently looking for a Co-President and a Co-Secretary. Please see attachment for more information.

## **YEARBOOK:**

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents:** Please send a digital copy of your student's baby photo to [sasimmons@lwsd.org](mailto:sasimmons@lwsd.org). This photo will be used in the yearbook in a special section for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Please send as soon as possible so we can complete the yearbook by our deadline.

Due to makeup snow days, yearbook staff meetings will be held from after school from 2:00-3:00pm on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **'Welcome to the Pack', night Tuesday, April 30, 2019, 6:00 – 8:00 pm**

Attention all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and their families. Eastlake HS would like to formally invite you and your entire family to the annual Eastlake High School 'Welcome to the Pack' night event on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm. This is an opportunity for us to gather as a community and celebrate the spirit and culture of Eastlake, showcase many of the amazing aspects of our school, and help prepare our incoming class of 9<sup>th</sup> graders to be more familiar with Eastlake High School. There will be performances from our band, choir, orchestra and drama students in the theater. Our mascot, with the support from our cheer and dance teams, will be welcoming everyone. Guided tours will be given throughout the evening. Information will be available on the many clubs, electives and athletic opportunities provided here at Eastlake HS. There will be teachers representing their department available for questions and sharing the fine work they do. The student store will be open and in full operation as families begin to increase their Eastlake gear (please have cash or a check, checks need to be made out to EHS). Please join the Eastlake staff on April 30<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate this amazing school we call home and welcome next year's 9<sup>th</sup> grade class, the soon-to-be graduates of 2023. We hope you're able to attend and begin to feel what it's like to be Wolf Strong Pack Strong.

## **FIRST AID AND CPR TRAINING**

If you missed the last First Aid and CPR training course and would like to attend a class, please contact: Danit Erlich [danit.erlich@gmail.com](mailto:danit.erlich@gmail.com)

## **DISTRICT INFORMATION**

### **SNOW DAY MAKE UP ANNOUCEMENT**

The following modifications will be made to the 2018-19 calendar:

- Wednesday, May 1: change from an early release to a **full day for students**
- Wednesday, May 8: change from an early release to a **full day for students**
- Friday, May 24: change from a non-school day to a **school day for students**
- Tuesday, May 28: change from a non-school day to a **school day for students**
- Wednesday, June 19: change from a half day to a **full day for students**
- Thursday, June 20: added as a **half day for students** (last day of school)

[View printable school calendar](#)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE COMMUNITY:**

**A) BOOK CLUB OPPORTUNITY: THROUGH ISSAQUAH LIBRARY:** 6th grade student Harloe Hockett (under her "code name" Valkyrie.) leads the book club.

### **EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL OPPORTUNITY 2020**

Mrs. Daman is planning to take a group of students on an trip through Exploria Educational in June of 2020. Last summer she took a group to Washington DC and New York City for the first with Explorica Educational Travel. It was fantastic! Please contact her if you would like additional information.

### **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS:**

- **YEARBOOK:** Wednesdays 12:30-1:30 PM
- **QUILT BAG CLUB:** Every other Tuesday 2:00-3:00 PM
- **FRENCH** Fridays 2:10- 3:10 PM
- **SPANISH** Thursdays 2:10- 3:10 PM
- **JUNIOR THE SPAIN CLUB-** Please see Mrs. Daman for more information.
- **NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY (NJHS)-** Please see Ms. Bawa for more information.

**We are continually looking to increase learning and expereineces for our students. We are open to a variety of activities/clubs/enrichment classes. Do you have an idea for a club, let us know!**

# 2018/2019 School Calendar

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\*\*\*Updated based on the District calendar for making up missed snow days\*\*\*

APRIL 8-12	SPRING BREAK
APRIL 15	GUEST SPEAKER/WORKSHOPS - ESTEBAN GAST
APRIL 16	NJHS INDUCTION @ 7PM
APRIL 18	WE DAY FIELD TRIP
MAY 1	FULL DAY OF SCHOOL
MAY 7 - NEW	FIELD TRIP SEATTLE CHILDRENS THEATRE- ALL SCHOOL
MAY 8	FULL DAY OF SCHOOL
MAY 5-11	SPRING PLAY PRODUCTION WEEK
MAY 21 & 23	SBA ELA TESTING ALL GRADES
MAY 24	SCHOOL DAY
MAY 27	NO SCHOOL
MAY 28	SCHOOL DAY
MAY 30	WCAS STATE TESTING 8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE
MAY 30	FIELD TRIP OLYMPIC SCULPTURE PARK - 6 <sup>th</sup> GRADE
MAY 31	FIELD TRIP MOHAI- 8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE
JUNE 3 & 5	SBA MATH TESTING ALL GRADES
JUNE 18	8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE PROMOTION
JUNE 19	FULL DAY OF SCHOOL
JUNE 20	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL- EARLY RELEASE

## **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:**

### **LUNCH PROCEDURES**

Students may purchase food in the Eastlake Commons cafeteria or bring their own lunches. Students can purchase lunch with cash or their student account. Adding money to student account: 1) use myschool bucks or 2) have student bring check to EHS kitchen cashier. RSAR DOES NOT ACCEPT THE LUNCH MONEY.

If your student brings their own lunch be sure that they pack healthy foods. Please do not allow your student to bring soda or energy drinks.

### **STUDENT LAPTOPS**

#### **Trouble Connecting at Home**

If your student is having difficulty connecting to your wireless network at home, please follow the steps below:

- a. Before you leave campus – shut down your computer
  - i. This mean go to the Start Menu>Power Options>Select Shutdown
  - ii. If you do not shut down, then a restart will be needed at home before you try to connect to DirectAccess.
- b. When the student gets home, power on the laptop
- c. Connect to Home WiFi
- d. Then the student will need to wait about 1-5 minutes while the device connects to Direct Access.
  - i. If no connection is made with in 5 minutes, restart the laptop
  - ii. After the restart – connect to home WiFi and let DirectAccess connect (allow the 1-5 minutes)

#### **Laptop Insurance Options**

Families may wish to protect against liability for lost, damaged or stolen property by reviewing their insurance options. Some homeowner's policy may offer coverage and some may offer this coverage if a rider is acquired. In addition, Lake Washington School District has arranged for an insurance option for families wishing to purchase a specific additional insurance to cover their student's laptop. This insurance can be purchased from Worth Insurance Group. The premium is \$63.60 per year and covers accidental damage and theft (police report required). The deductible in this policy is \$0. This insurance can be acquired directly by going to <https://www.worthavegroup.com/portal/lakewashington>. The company also offers coverage for other personal technology devices. If you chose not to purchase the optional insurance or do not otherwise have coverage, you will be responsible for fees for damaged or lost/stolen equipment as defined above.

### **STUDENT ABSENT/LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY DISMISSAL:**

Students that are taking math over at EHS, if they are absent/late you will need to notify both RSAR and EHS about your students' absence.

**Absences-** An absence may only be excused within 48 hours. Parent/Guardian communication is required for excusing an absence or late arrival. You can email [sasimmons@lwsd.org](mailto:sasimmons@lwsd.org) or leave a voicemail at (425) 936-1544. Please spell the last name of the student clearly and provide a reason for the absence/tardy.

**Late Arrival-** If your student is arriving to school late they need to check in at the office **before going to class**. You do not have to sign the student in but if the student does not stop by the office the absence put in by the teacher will NOT be changed into a TARDY and you will likely receive an attendance call.

**Early Dismissal** – Please come into the office and sign your student out. You do not need to call or email ahead of time. Please just come into the office, sign your student out and your student will be called out of class to leave with you. You must sign your student out in order for them to leave campus

### **LOST AND FOUND:**

Please remind your student to look in the lost and found for any items they may be missing throughout the year. Items left in the lost and found are donated twice a year.



## SPEND YOUR SUMMER WITH GIRLS WHO CODE!

Girls Who Code Campus offers beginner and advanced coding programs in multiple topics, like iPhone App Development and Wearable Tech & Fashion Design. Spend the summer with girls like you, and connect with the community of 90,000 girls who code across the country!

### PROGRAMS RUNNING IN SEATTLE:

CAMPUS COURSES	JULY PROGRAMS	AUGUST PROGRAMS
<b>AGES 10-14</b> <b>Introduction to Computer Science</b> - \$1,899		@Forest Ridge School of the Sacred Heart July 29-August 9
<b>AGES 11-15</b> <b>Wearable Tech &amp; Fashion Design</b> - \$1,999	@Eastside Catholic School July 8-July 19	
<b>AGES 13-18</b> <b>Website Design &amp; Development</b> - \$1,899	@Eastside Catholic School July 22-August 2	@Forest Ridge School of the Sacred Heart August 12-August 23

Email us at [campus@girlswhocode.com](mailto:campus@girlswhocode.com) for more information!

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# 2019-2020 Renaissance School PTSA Nomination Form

The Renaissance School PTSA Nominating Committee is now accepting nominations for open Board of Directors positions for next year's PTSA. Our goal is to see that every parent has a voice on our PTSA and is given the chance to become actively involved in enriching the educational opportunities at our school.

You may nominate as many candidates as you choose (including yourself); however, you must *use a separate form for each recommendation*. For information about a position, or to request a PTSA job description, please contact any of the following Nominating Committee members. **Thank you for supporting our PTSA!**

The PTSA members serving our Nominating Committee are:

Ana Leite, [paulabr5@hotmail.com](mailto:paulabr5@hotmail.com)

Kathleen Jeffcoat, [ksjny@mac.com](mailto:ksjny@mac.com)

Hitomi Bercey, [hitoba@hotmail.com](mailto:hitoba@hotmail.com)

**To be eligible for election to any of the positions, candidates must be a member of the PTSA at least 15 days prior to the election.**

I wish to have the PTSA Nominating Committee consider the following person (PLEASE PRINT and include as much information as available.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

For the following position(s): *(If listing for more than one office, please prioritize them, with "1" for the first choice, "2" for the second choice, etc.)*

\_\_\_\_\_ **Co-President** \_\_\_\_\_ **Co-Secretary**

Describe this person's qualifications for office. Please attach any other information (limit to one page) that may be helpful in assisting the Nominating Committee, e.g., community service/other activities. Previous PTSA volunteer service and experience is helpful, but not a prerequisite.

