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SUPERSTAR eNEWS
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Our mission is to support the education, health, and welfare of each and every child at Somerset Elementary School. As part of the Washington State PTA, we are a nonprofit membership association bringing together the home, school, and community on behalf of our children.

PTSA NEWS



Welcome back to school for a fantastic journey ahead. We used to meet our parents in-person, have coffee together, and hand out welcome package in-person at about this time. For safety, we will be doing this virtually. Please visit our [PTSA Website](#) for the Welcome Packet:

[Welcome Back to School Packet](#)

Join the Somerset PTSA

Contribute to the future of your child! Become a member now!

Somerset Elementary PTSA is the dynamic link between parents, teachers and students which creates the stimulating and intellectual environment that is so characteristic of our school. Be part of the academic and extra-curricular journey of the Superstars.

How to join: Sign up on our website at www.somersetpta.org

Show your pride as a Somerset Superstar and wear your Somerset spirit wear to school! Our online store opens August 30th and will stay open for your purchase until October. Order online at www.somersetptsa.org.

Back to School Supply Lists 2020

Official school supplies lists for grades 1 – 12 can be accessed via this link.

<https://www.teacherlists.com/>

Please Note:

Somerset is providing basic school supplies for all students and will have them available when you pick up your tech devices. Items on this list are considered optional and not required.



SCHOOL NEWS

Remote Learning Technology Pick-up

Gentle reminder to our Somerset families for technology pick-up. Pick-up dates are 9/1, and 9/2. Please arrive at your sign-up time slot. If you don't have a chance to sign up, please sign up via:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084BA4AD22A46-student>

In addition to technology devices, each student will receive a bag of essential school supplies and a Welcome Back to school gift!

Elementary Student & Family Technology Webinar

Please join the Bellevue School District for a live virtual event to help families learn about BSD technology for elementary students.

During this live event, BSD technology and instructional staff will introduce elementary families to the hardware and software elementary students are likely to use this year. The presentation will focus on:

- Device use and care
- Using Microsoft Teams for announcements, meetings and assignments
- Using Clever to access digital curriculum
- How to get more help

Following the presentation, staff will reserve time for some Q&A. Sessions will be recorded for families that cannot join the live events.

Two sessions are available for families to choose from:

[Monday, August 31 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.](#)

[Wednesday, September 2 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.](#)

To access live sessions, use this link:

<https://bsd405.org/2020/08/elementary-student-family-technology-webinar>

BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

First Day of School: Share Your BSD School Spirit

The first day of school will look different in 2020. We are asking families to share your BSD school spirit on your first day of school. Take a photo wearing your school spirit wear or colors and share photos with us to feature on social media and our website. Tag BSD on social media and use the hashtags #BSDschoolspirit and #BSDfirstday or email the photos to communityrelations@bsd405.org.

BSD Fall to School Update: Remote Learning Schedules Finalized

All students will start with remote learning for the fall. Remote Learning schedules will be the same for both students who are enrolled in BSD Virtual and those who are enrolled in

The remote learning schedules ensure a more robust learning experience for students than last spring, including:

- Live instruction and increased student/teacher engagement
- Reasonable screen time depending on student age
- Emphasis on small group learning and individual support

Finalized schedules:

- [Elementary School Full Remote Learning Schedule](#) (applicable for Temporary Remote or BSD Virtual Learning)
- [Secondary School Full Remote Learning Schedule](#) (applicable for Temporary Remote or BSD Virtual Learning)



School Meals During Our Remote Start

When the Bellevue School District opens the 2020-21 school year in a remote learning model, we want to ensure that students continue to have access to the nutrition they need. The Meals2Go program, offered by our Nutrition Services team, is designed to provide grab and go breakfast and lunch options for families to access for their students. Meals2Go will begin on Wednesday, September 2. More information is available on our website.

COMMUNITY NEWS

(All News in this section are NOT sponsored by the Somerset PTSA. As a service to the community, the PTSA helps to publicize these programs in the eNews.)

King County is now in Phase 2

Working together, our community has slowed the spread of COVID-19. Now, King County is working to gradually and carefully reopen the local economy and other aspects of daily living.

Free testing is available in King County regardless of immigration status.

[Free COVID-19 testing locations](#)

<https://kingcounty.gov/elected/executive/constantine/covid-response/safe-start.aspx>

COVID-19 Information Compile by BSD

<https://bsd405.org/services/health/covid-19-information/>

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