



Somerset Strong News 4.2.2021

Somerset Families,

We welcomed our third-grade hybrid learners back to school this week and look forward to welcoming our fifth graders on Monday. As we finish the year with two different learning models in place, we want all students to know that all students, virtual or in person are an important part of Somerset Elementary.

We are excited to announce that this year's Kindness Week will be April 26-30th! We are excited to celebrate the importance of kindness and to have the students come together as a community to show each other (and show themselves) the power of being kind. During Kindness Week, Somerset students will be given a simple Kindness Challenge each day that corresponds to a certain theme.

The themes of the week will include the following:

Monday: Gratitude

Tuesday: Acts of service

Wednesday: Friendship


Thursday: Self-care

Friday: Connecting with loved ones

More details about the Kindness Challenges will be sent out closer to the start of Kindness Week. We hope that you will get your student excited about celebrating kindness and encourage your student(s) to participate!

Having weeklong celebrations unite us! This helps make us Somerset Strong! The next Somerset Strong News will come out on Friday, April 23rd.

In partnership!



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[See Below for:](#)

[Visual Schedule for Grades 3-5 In-person Learning expansion](#)

[Library book checkout dates](#)

[Photo of the week](#)

Somerset Elementary Information



3 rd -5 th Grade March & April	M	T	W	Th	F
	March 15	March 16	March 17 All Remote	March 18 4 th Grade Async	March 19 4 th Grade Async
	March 22 4 th Grade In-person	March 23 4 th Grade In-person	March 24 All Remote	March 25 4 th Grade In-person	March 26 3-5 remote
				3 rd Grade Async	3 rd Grade Async
	March 29 4 th Grade In-person	March 30 4 th Grade In-person	March 31 All Remote	April 1 4 th Grade In-person	April 2 4 th Remote
	3 rd Grade In-Person	3 rd Grade In-Person		3 rd Grade In-Person	3 rd remote
				5 th grade Async	5 th grade async
	April 5 4 th Grade In-person	April 6 4 th Grade In-person	April 7 All Remote	April 8 4 th Grade In-person	April 9 4 th Grade In-person
	3 rd Grade In-Person	3 rd Grade In-Person		3 rd Grade In-Person	3 rd remote
	5 th grade in person	5 th grade in person		5 th grade in person	5 th remote
April 12 Spring Break No school	April 13 Spring Break No school	April 14 Spring Break No school	April 15 Spring Break No school	April 16 Spring Break No school	
April 19 Remote Learning k-5 quarantine	April 20 Remote Learning k-5 quarantine	April 21 All Remote	April 22 Remote Learning k-5 quarantine	April 23 Remote Learning k-5 quarantine	
April 26 k-5 in person	April 27 k-5 in person	April 28 All Remote	April 29 k-5 in person	April 30 k-5 in person	

- Grades k-2 are in person Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday except for 4/19-4/23 quarantine week.
- K-5 will return after quarantine week for four days each week.
- Thursday and Friday prior to start dates are for classroom and teacher preparation. Teachers provide async learning.
- Remote days on Wednesday & Friday follow current Schedule.
- Grade 3-5 drop-off is at 143rd Ave SE crosswalk. Use either side of street. Students must use crosswalk
- Drop off is 8:50 and 12:50. Remain in the car until greeted by Somerset staff.
- Please remember to complete health check prior to 8:30 and 12:30 to ensure efficient arrival for student.

Transportation Questions



If your child qualifies for bus transportation and you have questions about routes or pick up times, please reach out to gregorys@bsd405.org or call the school office and ask for Shannon.

Principal Birthday lunches – 12:30-1:00



April Birthday lunch celebration will be April 28 at 12:30. Students with a April birthday will receive a Teams invite through their student email accounts from Ruth Embaye, our office manager on the day prior. If you don't receive an invitation, please reach out to embayer@bsd405.org and she will send the link. Each session includes an opportunity for students to share something exciting about birthdays, a quick art project and a short story. It is a highlight for us to share this time celebrating students. Please note we have moved the birthday lunch celebrations to Wednesday to ensure all students, both virtual and hybrid can attend.

Somerset Library Wednesday Check-out Dates

Librarian Mrs. Bravenec would like to remind families that students may reserve and check out books from our Somerset library! Books may be picked up by all families on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30-5:30pm at the front doors of Somerset. Masks and social distancing required.

For hybrid students attending in person, Mrs. Bravenec will deliver books to your child's classroom teacher if you are not able to pick them up. For virtual students attending remotely, please contact Mrs. Bravenec to make alternate pick up arrangements if that Wednesday time is not convenient for you.

Mrs. Bravenec knows not all families are comfortable with checking out books at this time, and it is NOT required to do so. If your student needs help accessing books online through Sora, King County Library, Epic, TumbleBooks, etc., please let Mrs. Bravenec know and she can help!

Check-out Wednesdays:

March 31 st	April 7 th April 21 st April 28 th	May 5 th May 12 th May 19 th May 26 th (LAST DAY for checkout)
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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- April 5 5th grade In-Person Learning begins
- April 12-16 Spring Break, no school
- April 19-23 BSD quarantine week, All students remote
- April 26-30 Kindness Week



For more information and important dates please follow this link to our Somerset PTSA: [Link to Somerset PTSA](#)

Photo (s) of Week

Sibling Special: At recess this week, we had 3 pairs of brothers playing on adjacent zones on the playground. They were so excited to see each other and wave from across the zone divider.

