

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.

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PTSA NEWS

PTSA General Membership Meeting

We are kindly inviting you to our last virtual PTSA General Membership Meeting onWednesday, Jun 16th at 10:15 am. Please use the link or meeting ID & Passcode below to join our meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85767799653

Meeting ID: 857 6779 9653 Passcode: 891914



Join Executive Committee Of Somerset Elementary PTSA

Calling for all Somerset families, we are now looking for volunteers to build a strong PTSA Executive Committee team at Somerset for the next school year. Thanks to our wonderful Somerset families, most positions are filled. **We are still in need of PTSA president**. As the president, you will be leading PTSA EC team to serve our school, students, families and community better and better. Please visit <u>Somerset PTSA Website</u> for the description of the positions. If interested, please contact <u>somersetptsa@gmail.com</u>.



Volunteers Needed!

Program Chairs Needed

Somerset PTSA is looking for some program chairs for the coming school year. The following programs are in need of chairs. No experience is needed. The former chairs will provide training and help. Job description can be found at <u>Somerset PTSA Website</u>. If you are interested, please contact <u>somersetptsa@gmail.com</u>. You are also welcome to join with a friend to share the work of the positions. Your help means a lot to our community and our kids.

- Art Imagination
- Care & Share
- Choir Liaison
- Fifth Grade Drug & Alcohol Education
- Game (Games and more enrichment)
- PhD (Parenthood Development)
- Maker Market
- Makerspace



What is Cub Scouting?

Cub Scouting is a neighborhood centered, parent volunteer run program for **BOYS & GIRLS** in grades K-5 that combines fun with educational activities and lifelong values. It is FUN with a purpose. Scouting develops character, leadership, communication skills and good citizenship.

What is our organizational structure?

Cub Scouts is part of The Boy Scouts Of America. Our scouts meet once a month by grade, which we call a **Den**. All grades also meet once a month as an entire group, which we call a **Pack**.

When and where are the Den and Pack meetings held?

Depending on the **Den**, meetings are the 1st, 2nd or 3rd Thursday of each month. **Pack** meetings are the 4th Thursday. Most in-person meetings are at Somerset Elementary. Some meetings are on ZOOM due to COVID-19. We anticipate more in-person meetings as we continue into 2021 & 2022.





What type of activities?

Our Pack is loves to hike, camp and participate in community service projects. Our scouts also build and race Pinewood Derby cars, Raingutter Regatta boats, launch Estes Model Rockets and many other fun activities that the whole family can enjoy.

PTSA Partnerhip

Our membership fee is \$150. Our Pack donates \$50 to the Somerset PTSA for every new Somerset student that joins, and \$10 for every returning scout.

Get in touch: Email - Pack.629@Outlook.com, Website: https://pack629.shutterfly.com/

Join Cub Scouts and Give Back to Somerset PTSA

We have a great opportunity to work with the Somerset Cub Scout Pack! Somerset PTSA will receive a give back for each registration, new or returning, from a Somerset student. Cub Scouts is open to boys and girls!

\$50 for every new Kindergarten – 4th grade student (grade in fall 2021)\$10 for every returning Cub Scout (for school year 2021/2022)

Annual registration fee \$150 for new scouts and returning scouts

website То learn more, please see Cub Scouts flyer or visit their athttps://pack629.shutterfly.com/. Email them for joining information atpack.629@outlook.com.

SCHOOL NEWS

Year-end Progress Reports

This spring, you will have access to view your child's progress report on Parent VUE or Student VUE, in our learning management system. Progress reports will be made available on June 25th by 12:00 pm. They will not be emailed. You will need to visit <u>https://bsd405.org/departments/district-technology/grades-attendance/</u> to log into Parent VUE and/or find details on how to activate and set up your account if you have not done so already. Click here for directions: <u>English</u>, <u>Spanish</u>, <u>Chinese</u>



Principal Birthday Lunches

June and July's Birthday lunch celebration will be Wednesday the 16th at 12:00. Students with a June or July 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 <u>embayer@bsd405.org</u> 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.



5th Grade Promotion Celebrations

Walk-by Promotion Ceremony Wednesday, June 16th

Students will gather by classroom at an assigned time in front of the school

Outdoor Carnival Celebration Wednesday, June 16th

Each class will move to the back of the school for an Outdoor Carnival Celebration.

Virtual Promotion Ceremony on Teams Monday, June 21st

A link will be sent out to all families. Principal's and teachers' words of wisdom along with a slideshow of our 5th graders will be shown.

BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



Summer Meal Kits Available Thursdays, Beginning July 1

To provide continued food support for children in our community, Nutrition Services will offer families a five-day meal kit to be picked up one day per week throughout the summer. The kit will contain five breakfast entrees, five lunch entrees, fruits, vegetables and milk for each child.

To ensure that enough kits are prepared each week, meal kits will be available through a pre-order system. The pre-order form will open at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 24, and close at 8 a.m. Monday, June 28 for the July 1 pick up. For future weeks, the pre-order form will follow the same pattern of opening at 8 p.m. on Thursday, and closing at 8 a.m. on Monday for that Thursday' pick up. The pre-order form can be found on the Meals2Go webpage beginning June 22. More information will be posted on the Meals2Go webpage.

Student Technology Device

For the first time since implementing 1:1 in the district, all K-12 students will be able to keep their devices over the summer. This ensures every student has an opportunity to continue to learn, connect, innovate, communicate, collaborate and so much more.

Students leaving BSD need to turn in their laptop or iPad on or before their last day of school. They can give it to their classroom teacher or use the window at the office to drop off. 1st graders will bring their iPad in the fall and trade it in for a laptop. 5th graders will also exchange their elementary laptop in the fall for their 6th grade laptop.

BSD will be operating a Student Tech Center during the summer. Students will be able to visit the Tech Center and get support. Location and hours are still to be determined.

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Summer Programs

BSD Summer Programs

Elementary Literacy & Math

Our elementary program is an invitation-only program, providing curriculum review and support for students determined to need extended instruction in either Literacy (targeting grades 3-4) or Math (targeting grade 4-5). Each session will include 25 minutes of direct instruction (1:1 or small group settings), and student well-being activities with community partners and educators. When registering, parents & guardians will have the option of enrolling their student for either entirely in-person learning at the school *or* entirely virtual instruction. These learning models are not interchangeable, and students will stay in that model for duration of program.

• Dates: July 6-30, 2021, Monday – Friday (program starts on a Tuesday)

- Hours: Session #1 9:00-10:30am, Session #2 10:30am-Noon
- Learning Model: Students will enroll in an entirely In-Person or an entirely Virtual learning model
- Courses: Literacy or Math
- Location for In-Person: Stevenson Elementary 14220 NE 8th St, Bellevue, WA 98007
- Tuition: There is no charge for students invited to register for this program
- Transportation: Upon request, District Yellow Bus service will be available for modified summer routes
- Food: There is no food service to be provided for this program

COMMUNITY NEWS



Vaccine Pop-up Clinics

Pfizer first or second shots available for **children 12 and older** are available at Bellevue Fire pop-up clinics, along with Moderna and J&J vaccines for adults.

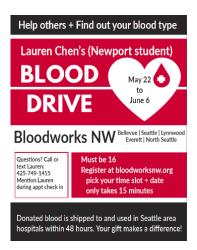
People with mobility challenges can text **425-614-9936** from their car at the pop-up site. A dose will be administered at your car. You will need to provide identification, but residence or immigration status will not be asked.

- Thursday, June 3: Downtown Park, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Friday, June 4: Crossroads Park, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Thursday, June 10: Newporter Apartments, 5900 119th Ave. SE, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Saturday, June 12: St. Louise Parish, 141 156th Ave. SE, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Monday, June 14: Lake Boren Park, Newcastle, 1-6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 16: Robinswood Park, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

 Saturday, June 19: Coal Creek Family YMCA, 13750 Newcastle Golf Club Rd., 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Bloodworks NW's Blood Drive May 22nd to June 6th

Did you know 1,000 donors are needed a day? Please consider donating. Donated blood is shipped to and used in Seattle area hospitals within 48 hours. Your gift makes a difference.



NATIONAL PTA & WSPTA NEWS



National PTA's Virtual Convention

<u>Registration is now open</u> for National PTA's virtual convention on June 17-26. The first 500 people whose registration is paid in full will receive an email to opt-in for a virtual convention goody bag.

Parents and educators working together to make a difference for every child. Connect with PTA leaders, educators and parents to ignite your outreach and impact in your school community - and make a difference for every child - at the <u>2021 National PTA Virtual</u> <u>Convention</u>!

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