

Camp Auburn

Our 5th graders will be attending Camp Auburn in a few weeks. This is an opportunity for those students to enjoy time with friends and teachers away from the school setting. Our PTA parent group has held multiple fundraising opportunities to help offset the cost of camp to guarantee that none of our 5th graders miss camp because of the cost. Letters to 5th grade families will be going out this week showing the balance due. For financial assistance, please call Mrs. Raybuck in the office by April 19th.

Elementary #15 Groundbreaking

The community is invited to celebrate the groundbreaking of Elementary #15, 12 p.m., April 20 at 5701 Kersey Way SE. This ceremony will be on the site of the new school. Please join us!

Attendance Area Waivers 2019-2020 school year

Waivers are attendance area transfers for a family that chooses to enroll their student in a school that is not their home school. Alpac will continue to be closed to new waivers this next school year. This decision was made because Alpac exceeds enrollment targets set by the School Board. Our current enrollment exceeds Alpac's capacity to accommodate the projected student population. Current and future elementary class size reductions create additional need for classroom space. **This is only for new waivers.** Students currently waived into Alpac will be able to attend here as long as they adhere to the waiver guidelines. We will also accept waivers of new students who already have a sibling attending Alpac.

Attendance Facts

Research shows that missing 10 percent of school, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. **Two days a month is considered a chronic absence issue.**

A study from John Hopkins University School of Education found that **students who missed at least 20 days of school per year, had lower grades and were more likely to drop out than students with better attendance.** Yet, the researchers also found these effects of absenteeism are reversible with the help of mentors, incentive programs and awareness campaigns.

Washington State law (RCW 28A.225.020) requires we schedule a conference with you:

- If your student has two unexcused absences in one month
- five excused absences in any month
- ten or more excused absences in the school year

If your student has seven unexcused absences in any month or ten unexcused absences within the school year, we are required to file a petition with the Juvenile court, alleging a violation of RCW 28A.225.010.

Upcoming Events

April/May, 2019

April 8-12 - SPRING BREAK—NO SCHOOL ALL WEEK
April 15 - PLC LATE START at 10:10 a.m.
April 16 - PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.- Alpac Library
April 18 - PTA Skate Night 6-8:00 p.m.
Auburn Skate Connection
April 22 - PLC LATE START at 10:10 a.m.
April 23 - Kindergarten Information Night 5:30 p.m.
April 24 - PLC LATE START at 10:10 a.m.
April 25 - Take Your Child To Work Day
April 26 - 3rd Grade Concert 2:55 p.m.
April 29 - PLC LATE START at 10:10 a.m.
April 30- May 1 - 5th Grade Camp
May 3 - Progress Reports go home
May 6-10 - Teacher Appreciation Week
May 6 - **WAIVER DAY — NO SCHOOL**
May 9-10 - 4th grade SBA Testing
May 13 - PLC LATE START at 10:10 a.m.
May 14 - LAP Reading Family Night 5-7:00 p.m.
May 14-15 - 3rd grade SBA Testing
May 16-17 - 4th and 5th Grade SBA Testing
May 20 - PLC LATE START at 10:10 a.m.
May 21-22 - 4th and 5th Grade SBA Testing
May 21 - PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.- Alpac Library
May 23-24 - 3rd grade SBA Testing
May 23 - 4th Grade Choral Assembly
May 27 - **MEMORIAL DAY- NO SCHOOL**
May 28-29 - 3rd and 5th grade SBA Testing