



THE COYOTE CONNECTION

Cascade Ridge Elementary School Newsletter

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September 29, 2011

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept 29	Math Club Information Night Café 7pm
Oct 6	Student Picture Day/Volunteer Picture Day
Oct 7	Dad's Play Day
Oct 14	Walkathon 3-6pm
Nov 4	Dad's Play Day
Nov 10	Picture Re-Take Day
Nov 11	Veteran's Day-No School for Students or Staff
Nov 23	End of 1st Trimester-Report Cards go home
Nov 24 & 25	Thanksgiving Holiday-No School For Students or Staff
Nov 30	Elementary Conferences - No school for students
Dec 1	Elementary Conferences - No school for students

DISTRICT NEWS

VOICE Mentor Program (Volunteers Of Issaquah Changing Education)

What a difference an hour can make in the life of a struggling student.

The VOICE mentor Program is looking for community volunteers to work one on one with Issaquah students. These students are referred by teachers and counselors as needing extra support whether it is academic, social or emotional. The Volunteer commitment is one hour per week through the school year. The volunteers work in the school setting in partnership with the school staff. **Our volunteers routinely state that they make a strong bond with their student and “get more than they give.” We strive to make the students and mentors time together meaningful and valued.**

Placements are made based on the mentors' interests, location preference and time availability. Whether a mentor's passion is literacy, ESL students, math or another area, we have a place for you in Issaquah schools. **Please help us recruit your neighbors, friends, relatives or colleagues to become a mentor.**

For further information contact:

Susan Gierke VOICE Mentor Director E-mail: VOICE@issaquah.wednet.edu

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Website: www.VOICEMentorProgram.org

Phone: 425-837-6801

VOICE is funded by the Issaquah Schools Foundation in Cooperation with the Issaquah School District

Challenge, Support and Celebrate Each Student

Register to Vote

Here are two voter registration links:

- King County Elections registration form site: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections/registration.aspx#form> has info and forms in various languages.
- Register online: <https://wei.secstate.wa.gov/osos/secure/pages/Onlinevoterregistration.aspx>

SCHOOL NEWS

Please Check Your Family Access

Please check your Family Access account for Accuracy. Email Jennifer Kirsch at kirschj@issaquah.wednet.edu with updates. It is important we have your student's most current information on file. Please email Jennifer with changes no later than Wednesday, October 5th. This will assure that the PTSA has accurate information for their directory and the office can reach you if needed. Thank you!

Important Free & Reduced Lunch Information

Have you submitted a new free and reduced price lunch application for this school year?

If you were approved last year, the benefits carried over for the first few weeks of this school year, but are scheduled to expire on October 11. If you are still in need of benefits for this school year, please submit a new application no later than October 6th. Applications are available on the district web site for you to print out, or you can pick one up at your school, or at the Food Service Office located at : 16430 SE May Valley Road, Renton, WA 98059.

On the internet, go to: www.issaquah.wednet.edu

"Family Resources" then "Free & Reduced Lunch Program" then "District Application Form."

PTSA NEWS

Math Club Information Night - Sept 29

Cascade Ridge PTSA is excited to be kicking off this year's Math Club with an information night for interested parents and kids. Join us on September 29 at 7:00pm in the Coyote Café to learn all about this program. Math Club is for 4th and 5th grade students who enjoy doing math and wish to stretch their thinking to solve challenging math problems. There is also an opportunity to participate in a competition in the spring with other area elementary schools. Registration for Math Club will be done through our PTSA website at <http://cascaderidgeptsa.org/Packet/MathClub>. Questions? Contact Rajeev Goel at rgoel@live.com .

Art Docent Meeting

Are you an art docent? Would you like to become an art docent? Our first meeting will be held this Friday September 30th, 8:45am, behind the stage in the Coyote Cafe. See you there!

Wild West Walkathon

Howdy there, Cowboys and Cowgirls! The Cascade Ridge Wild West Walkathon is just yonder - October 14, 3-6 pm. Walkathon - Dinner - Games - Prizes - Silent Auction - Entertainment

Registration is coming soon on the PTSA Website. Don't y'all miss out. It's the biggest event of the year!

WANTED: FACE PAINTERS

The Walkathon is almost here and we are ready to start KICKIN' IT Coyote Style. The kids love the face painting and we need a few more hands to help out. We have all the supplies, the stand will be set up, and a guide of simple designs will be displayed.

If we have enough help, we can offer small shifts so you can enjoy the other parts of the event. We would love to have you on board for this FUN activity!
Contact: Alesia Romero adegwitz@gmail.com

Site Council Volunteers

Are you interested in working with other parents and staff member to support the Cascade Ridge mission statement? The Cascade Ridge Site Council is for you. We are still looking for one new member to join our team. We meet the first Monday of the month from 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Being a member of the Site Council is a two year commitment. If you interested please contact Pam Gross at grosspam@msn.com.

Passive Fundraising Update

It's easy to support our school through this passive fundraising opportunity:

1. Visit www.sallyfoster.com and shop from over 200 items.
2. Enter our school ID at checkout: **School ID: 10008581**
3. *40% of every dollar spent goes to our school.*
4. Make sure to register your student through the 'Seller Section' at www.sallyfoster.com. You can send personalized emails to friends and family to ask for their support. You can also track your sales.



*Note: Items get shipped directly to customers! Free Shipping with \$50 Purchase!
Flat Fee Shipping of \$3.95 for orders under \$50!*

It's simple and fun, the items are delightful, and we really appreciate your support!

Questions, Contact: Ingrid Olsen, olsenclan@mac.com or 425-391-6904

Box Tops & Ink Cartridges



Please remember to deposit Box Tops in the clear box in the school's foyer and ink cartridges in the box in the school foyer. Your contributions really do help support our programs!

Brown Bear Car Wash

Get a clean car, save \$\$ and earn money for Cascade Ridge PTSA! For every \$5 ticket purchased CRE PTSA earns \$3.50 (normal price for basic exterior car wash is \$6.39). To purchase tickets email Nichole Wengert at nwengert@msn.com and provide the following information:

Your name
Your child's name
Your child's teacher
How many tickets you would like to purchase



Then place a check payable to CRE PTSA (\$5/ticket) in the black PTSA box in the school foyer. Tickets will be delivered to your child's classroom within a week of your payment being received. Thanks for supporting our school! Order forms are also available on top of the black PTSA box.