

Centennial Elementary

August 2016

All hands on deck for a great school year!

STUDENT PLACEMENT



Information on your child's teacher for 2016-17 went home in the June report cards. You can also find this information on your child's Skyward – Family Access account.

The staff has done an excellent job of assuring that we have balanced classes. To ensure that our classes remain balanced; student placement will remain as stated in Skyward.

In the event that you have questions or problems regarding your Family Access account, contact the Student Information Office at 360-596-6150. You may also e-mail familyaccess@osd.wednet.edu. If you forgot your password or feel it has been compromised, let them know and a new one will be issued or call the school office and we will see if we can re-send the password.

COLLABORATION & ELA IMPLEMENTATION DAYS

Half Day Early Release

September 28, October 5, November 2, November 16, December 7, January 4, January 18, February 1, March 1 and May 3.

Early Release Days

School Hours 9:00 a.m. – 12:05 P.M.

SCHOOL HOURS

Doors Open 8:50 A.M.
School Starts 9:00 A.M.
School Dismissed 3:22 P.M.

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT

Tuesday, September 6
11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
COME & JOIN THE FUN!

STUDENTS: Meet your teacher, see your classroom & bring your school supplies.

PARENTS: Fill out enrollment papers, meet your child's teacher, and see the classroom! Stop by the tables set up in the multipurpose room to purchase a directory, emergency kits, and Centennial spirit wear and water bottles. Remember to bring your checkbook.

The office will be open to receive paperwork, purchase school lunches, and answer bus questions.

FOOD SERVICE



Student Breakfast	\$1.60
Student Lunch	\$2.55
Reduced price K-3	n/c
Reduced price 4-5	.40 ¢
Adult Lunch	\$3.45
Milk	.60 ¢

Computerized lunch accounts are provided for each student in Full Day Kindergarten and grades 1 - 5. Parents can add money to the lunch accounts at any time. Please send a check or cash in an envelope to school labeled with your child's name, teacher and the amount.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL LUNCH

Hamburger on whole-wheat bun, or garden burger, oven baked fries, organic & local choice fruit & vegetable bar and milk. The current month's menu can always be found on Centennial's and the OSD's websites.

SHOT RECORDS, BIRTH CERTIFICATES, & MEDICATION

All missing immunizations, birth certificates, medication forms and medication need to be turned into the school office, prior to the first day of school.

CHANGE IN BUS ROUTES TIMES

If you have questions, visit the Transportation Department's website at osd.wednet.edu to get the latest bus route information or use the *Quicklink!* drop down menu on the school district's main page, click on BUS ROUTES and then enter your address. Information will be provided regarding your bus stop. A bus driver will be available for questions at the Welcome Back to School Event.



Please check your route to see the new pick up & drop off times.

DATES

- 9/6** Welcome Back to School Open House
11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
(New families 11:00 A.M. Classroom will be open at 11:30 A.M).
- 9/7** First Day of School 9:00 A.M.-3:22 P.M.
- 9/20** Curriculum Night Grades K-5
5:00-5:45 P.M. grades K-2
6:15-7:00 P.M. grades 3-5

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE...

The school doors are locked during the school day. Please use our school's front entrance.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, September 7

Students should meet their teacher on the playground blacktop, by the play shed between 8:50 - 9:00 A.M. Teachers will be holding signs with their name, for easy recognition. Students in grades 1-5 will then proceed to the gym for a short morning **Welcome Back to School Assembly.**

Centennial's kindergarten student's first day of school will be September 12. Our kindergarten families have been mailed a reminder about the conference with their teacher. If you do not remember your appointment date or time, call the school office at 596-8300.

SUPPLY LIST

Supply lists are located on Centennial's webpage at centennial.osd.wednet.edu. Click on the link *Parent* to find the supply list. Copies are also available outside the school near the front doors.

STUDENT HANDBOOK and MONTHLY NEWSLETTER ONLINE

To save resources (paper, money and time) we are making only a few copies of the handbooks and the monthly Centennial newsletter.

Centennial's Student Handbook will be available by mid-September online at centennial.osd.wednet.edu.

Centennial's monthly newsletter is posted on the school's website and sent to your email via Skyward-Message Center. If you need a hard copy let your child's teacher know.

Time sensitive **Reminders/Flyers** will continue to go home in your child's backpack as needed.

PARKING LOT

There are signs in the parking lot directing parents and staff to park in specific lots. The Parent/visitor parking lot is in the area behind



Portables 6 & 7. This will help the safety issues that have arisen with students crossing two lanes of traffic at the flag pole.

Back to School - SEPTEMBER PAPERWORK

At the Welcome Back to School Open House your child's teacher will have a packet of forms for you to complete, so we have the most current up to date information on your child and family. Some of the forms are for you to keep/read and several need to be completed and returned to the school immediately.

STUDENT PICK UP

Families please complete the ***Afterschool Arrangements Form*** (in the packet your teacher will give you) and return to the school/teacher immediately. We need to have a clear understanding how your child is going home the first week and for the school year.

Parents that are picking up their child at the end of the day can park their car in one of the parking lots and meet their child out front by the flag pole (see signs) or stay in your car and drive up to the "striped" area and pick up your child. Just a reminder not to park or pull into the BUS LOADING area or the private driveway. This is a safety issue.

CREDIT CARDS/DEBIT CARDS

FYI - OSD does not charge a processing fee to our credit card users who make payments at the school buildings or online payments.

CHANGES

We are excited to welcome some new faces to Centennial. Please welcome Ms. Olivia Rethwill (B-6) to our 2nd grade team, Mrs. Amy Olsen (C-5) and Mrs. Rachel Kreesse (C-2) to our 3rd grade team. Mrs. Heather Slater has moved down the hall to be our new teacher librarian, replacing Mrs. Carol Wintercorn who retired in June. Lastly, we would like to wish Mr. Kyle O'Neil our best in his new position as Dean of Students in Yelm.

A few locations updates as well include:

- Portable 1: Ms. Askew's 4th grade
- B-3: Mrs. Leach's 1st grade
- Band and Orchestra will most likely be in gym and multi-purpose room

Plans for the new 11 room, two story min-building are progressing with a construction start time of January 2017. More to come on this.

COMMUNITY FLYER DISTRIBUTION



OSD posts all flyers electronically to the school district website. You can find approved flyers in the "Activities & Service" section at: osd.wednet.edu/activities_services/activities. A few copies will be available on the counters for those families without internet.

Notice of Nondiscrimination 2016-17 School Year

The Olympia School District will provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without discrimination based on race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies, reports of alleged sexual harassment, concerns about compliance, and/or grievance procedures: **Jeff Carpenter, Title IX Officer**, (360) 596-8544; **Kari Lewinsohn, Section 504 and ADA Coordinator**, (360) 596-7538; and **Scott Niemann, Affirmative Action Officer and Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator**, (360) 596-6193. All three individuals may also be contacted at 1113 Legion Way S.E., Olympia, WA, 98501.