

Dear Gheridan Parento & Guardiano,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! I know I speak for the entire Sheridan Team when I say we are excited to help your child "win the day!"

You have many ways to connect with us; phone calls, email, our school website, our new information platform Peach Jar, our Facebook page and in your daily interactions with staff at pick up and drop off.

As a reminder, we have at least one family event per month. Please advantage of these opportunities to see first-hand the great things that are happening at Sheridan Elementary.

Proud to be a Tiger,

Larry Quisano, Principal Sheridan Elementary

ASB 2019-2020 Spirit Days

September 18 – Hawiian Day October 23 - Tye-Dye Day November 13 – Heros & Villians Day December 18 – Disney Day January 15 – Favorite Athlete/Team Day February 12 – Movie Character Day March 18 – Twin Day April 15 – Crazy Sock Day May 13 – Color by Grade



Main Phone: 354-4100 • Attendance: 354-4157



Sept - Oct 2019

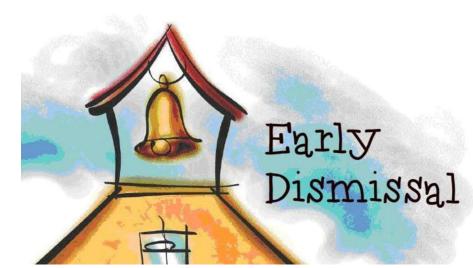
September

- 16 First Day of Pre-K
- 18 ASB Spirit Day Hawaiian Day
- 26 Student of the Month Celebration 10:00
- 30 PTG Meeting 4:00 - 4:30

October

- 3 Individual Picture Day
- 17 Picture Re-Take Day
- 18 PTG/ASB Fall Frolic 5:00 - 7:00
- 23 ASB Spirit Day Tye-Dye Day
- 24 ASB/PTG Fall Frolic 5:00 - 7:00
- 28 PTG Meeting 4:00 - 4:30
- 30 Trunk or Treat 4:00 - 5:30
- 31 Student of the Month Celebration 10:00





The SHOP

The SHOP will provide free Snack, Homework and Organized Play for students in grades K-6 on the 20 Fridays when **only** elementary students are released at 1:45 p.m.:

TRANSPORTATION:

Buses will operate at 1:45 p.m. and 3 p.m. on SHOP Fridays (some routes may be limited due to the amount of time it takes to complete a route, and/ or if special transportation is required).

SCHEDULE:

- ▶ 1:45 p.m. Students arrive and line up by grade to check in
- ▶ 1:45 p.m.-2 p.m. Check in/Snack
- 2-2:45 p.m. Participate in 2-3 choice activities such as gym/outdoor play, homework support, coloring activities, etc.
- ▶ 2:45 p.m. Clean up
- ▶ 3 p.m. Students are excused

WHY

On these Fridays, elementary teachers are prepping for student learning. The SHOP is supported by the Elementary Afterschool department and is offered as a district-wide extracurricular activity, free of charge to families. It is not being offered on the 12 previously designated Early Release - Peer Professional Learning (PPL) days.

WHO

- ► The SHOP is intended to provide academic enrichment for elementary students between 1:45 p.m. and 3 p.m.
- Students need to be able to participate in a large group setting, like lunch recess (playground).
- The SHOP is designed as a safe place for students to go after school and is not childcare.
- ► As with all elementary extra-curricular programs, students will be expected to partake in activities and follow rules associated with the program.



Every Friday @ 1:45 pm Professional Learning Days:

(no shop) September 13, 27 October 11 November 15 December 6 January 10 February 7 March 6, 20 April 24 May 8, 9

The Shop days:

August 30 September 6, 20 October 4 November 1, 8, 22 December 13, 20 January 17, 24, 31 February 14, 28 March 13, 27 April 17 May 1, 15 June 5

Before School Expectations

In an effort to make our school an even safer place for all children, students that arrive too early (before 8:15 a.m.) will be sent home to return at an appropriate time. If your student eats breakfast at school, they may arrive no earlier than 8:00 a.m. Some students have shown up as early as 7:30 a.m. Parent/home contact will be made if students have a pattern of arriving on school grounds or are being dropped off before adult supervision is in place at 8:15 a.m. Arriving too early is not safe for students. Please assist us in making our playground and school a safer place by dropping your children off at or later than 8:15 a.m. and having them leave the school grounds at 3:00 p.m.



After School Expectations

Please be sure your child knows his/her after-school arrangements before coming to school each day. Often students are unclear as to where they are to go after school and become frightened and upset when this happens. The office phone is usually very busy at 3:00 p.m., so if students wait to call to confirm after-school directions, they may miss their bus. School phones are not to be used after school for play arrangements. These plans should be made from home before the child arrives at school. Please be sure your child knows:

- How to contact you at work. He/she should know both mom and dad's and daycare provider's numbers.
- What change in plans for a specific day are planned. A note to teacher helps us assist your child, especially when there is a substitute teacher in the classroom.
- That the office phones are for emergency calls only.
- That "teaching time" in the classroom is not interrupted during the day for personal messages. Phone messages received by the office are delivered to the classroom at 2:45 daily. We do not call students out of class unless it is an emergency.
- That forgotten books, homework, musical instruments, clothing, etc. are put in the teachers' boxes or can be picked up in the office during recess or other breaks to avoid interrupting "teaching time".

We expect students to leave the school grounds at 3:00 pm unless they are participating in a school organized activity. Please assist us in making our school a safer place by reminding your child to leave the school grounds at 3:00 pm and go directly home.

Annual Asbestos Notification

This is our annual notification that there is asbestos in our school. Please be assured that all the asbestos is either in a nonpublic area or is well encapsulated. It is the District's intent that all asbestos materials are kept in a safe, well maintained condition through a program of Periodic Surveillance and ongoing maintenance activities. All of the asbestos records for Sheridan Elementary are kept in the Asbestos Management Plan which is located in the Custodian's office.



If your child qualifies for free or reduced price lunch, you may qualify for the Comcast Internet Essentials special offer. Families are eligible for a streamlined enrollment process by calling 1-855-594-5673 or by applying online at Internet Essentials.com. You will need to provide your contact information and school to see if you qualify and meet the eligibility criteria.



Substitute Supervisor Positions Available!

Crossing Guard, Playground & Lunch Supervisors Are Needed!

Please Inquire in the Office

354-4100



Attendance Line - 354-4157

We know that you want your child in school just as much as we want them here. If there is a day where your child isn't going to be in school or will arrive late, there are several ways you can notify us so we can look forward to their return and excuse their absence:

- 1. A note from the parent/guardian can be presented to the office upon returning from an absence.
- 2. You may also call the attendance hotline 354-4157
- 3. E-mail Terik@spokaneschools.org please put ATTENDANCE in the subject line. Thank you for helping us educate and support your child.

Help Us Keep Your Child Safe

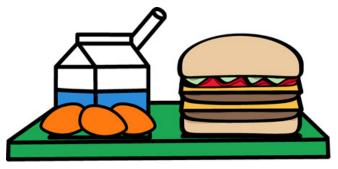
Changes in your child's school information should be sent or called into the office so our records can be up to date. It is imperative that we have a number to reach you in case of an emergency. We appreciate your help keeping our records current. Our office number is 354-4100. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe.



Attendance

Free and Reduced Lunch Information

New lunch applications must be filled out every year. Last years' applications will expire on October 11th. If a new application is not on file with the district your student will be put on full paid status.



Please remember that it takes up to 10 days to process an application. Applications were mailed home to families before the start of school. If you still need to fill one out, they may be picked up in the school office or you may fill one out electronically by going to www.spokaneschools.org and clicking on the meal application logo. If you would like to put money on your student's account you may bring in cash or you can write a check to Sheridan Elementary. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Alberry at 354-4137.



Q: Why did the teddy bear say no to dessert?

A: Because she was stuffed!



remember we're on the web!

Just visit www.spokaneschools.org/sheridan

Visitor Sign-In Guest Badges

Parents and visitors, when you enter the building for any reason, please stop in at the office and put on a "visitor badge". We monitor the hallways closely to ensure the safety of your student and ask anyone without identification to return to the office to get a badge. We are aware that parents sometimes need to stop in quickly to bring an item to a child, but our first priority is to protect our students. Please, if you are visiting, you need to sign in. Thank You!

Spokane Public Schools complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, marital status, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, 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, sexual orientation including gender expression or gender identity, or honorably discharged veteran or military status. This holds true for all students who are interested in participating in educational programs and/or extracurricular school activities, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the school district's officers listed on our website at www.spokaneschools.org/ nondiscrimination.

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