

#### January 12, 2024

## Principal's Message

Dear Hutton Elementary Parents and Students,

As we approach the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday this Monday, let's take a moment to reflect on the enduring legacy of Dr. King, a man whose vision reshaped the fabric of our nation and inspired millions across the globe. Dr. King's message of equality, justice, and compassion continues to echo through our lives, reminding us of the power of unity and the importance of striving for a better world for all.

In his famous words, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'" As we celebrate his life and legacy, let's embody this question in our daily lives. At Hutton Elementary, we encourage each of you – students and parents alike – to find ways to support and uplift one another, fostering an environment of inclusivity and respect. This is how we honor Dr. King's dream and contribute to a community where everyone feels valued and heard. Let's use this day not only as a remembrance but as a call to action, to continue building a school and community where every child has the opportunity to thrive, learn, and grow in an environment that celebrates diversity and champions equity.

Additionally, we are excited to announce that Student Conferences are just around the corner, scheduled for January 25th and 26th. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to engage in their child's academic journey and to collaborate with teachers to support their learning and growth. The scheduler for the conferences will open on Monday, January 16th. Please keep an eye out for the link to schedule your appointments. These conferences are an integral part of our commitment to each student's success, and we highly encourage all parents to participate.

**Upcoming Events** 

January 15
Martin Luther King
Jr. Day
No School

January 16 LC Basketball Game

January 19
Wear Hutton gear
and Hutton colors

January 17, 24, & 31
Chess Club
3-4 PM

January 22 & 29 Choir Practice 3-4 PM

January 23
PTG Meeting
6:30 PM
Library

January 24

Let's move forward with the spirit of Dr. King guiding us, towards a future filled with hope, understanding, and endless possibilities for our students.

Sincerely,

LaTonya Simmons Principal Books and Bingo Night 6:30 PM MPR

January 25-26
Parent Teacher
Conferences
No School











Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are on the unceded lands of the Spokane Tribe. The Spokane people shared this place with other tribes through their relations, resources, history, trade, and ceremony. We thank the caretakers of this land, who lived, and continue to live here Since Time Immemorial. This land holds the knowledge, culture, and spirit of "The People of the River."







## Winter Weather Protocol

When the weather is severe, please be careful to ensure that your child arrives at the regularly scheduled time. To avoid after-school confusion, please have a foul weather plan if your child walks or rides a bike. This helps keep your child safe and keeps our phone lines free in emergencies.

Please check our district website for information on school closures or listen to major radio and TV stations beginning around 5:30 am. The district also notifies families by text and email of delayed start or closure.

Fresh air and exercise are important parts of a child's development. We make every effort to provide this to scholars each day while they are at school. Scholars should come dressed appropriately for the weather and be prepared to be outside for recess. During cold weather, the principal will assess current conditions and review weather charts to ensure that it is safe for students to be outside. As a general rule, students will be kept inside when temperatures move into single digits. When we experience low double-digit temperatures, the wind chill can cause it to feel like single digits. When this happens, students will be kept inside.



## Come Join Us for Tiger's Basketball and LC Campus/ Art Tour

When: Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup> – LC vs. Mt. Spokane HS

**Details:** Free entry to the game for families (Remember to

wear your school gear!)

5:30 pm Boys Basketball Game

5:50 pm Half Time recognition of our elementary schools and students (Jefferson, Hutton, and Mullan Road)

**6:00 pm** Building Art and Campus tour of LC. LC's hallways are adorned with a unique, historical, and rare collection of art that has been donated to the school.

7:00 pm Girls Basketball Game

Parking:

ENTRANCE TO THE GAME IS AT 417 W 4TH AVE (LC FIELDHOUSE)

#### Free parking under the freeway in Lots 1-4



"From Cubs to Tigers, It Takes Us All."

















#### The PTG Scoop

It's almost time for one of our favorite events-Books and Bingo! This year's event will be held on



January 24th from 6:30-7:30pm in the MPR/cafeteria. Please enter through the multipurpose room doors from the blacktop as all other doors into the school will be locked. Doors open at 6:15 and popcorn and juice will be provided. All are welcome! We can't wait to see

you there! Willing to volunteer to help make the event even more awesome? **Volunteers, sign up** <a href="https://example.com/here!">here!</a>

**Book Drive:** Don't forget, the book drive for Books and Bingo started this **Wednesday January 10th and will run until Friday January 19th.** Please consider donating your gently used books. They can be dropped off in the front entrance atrium in the marked boxes. Your donations help make the event a success!

# AFTER SCHOOL ARTS

We are excited to bring back After School Arts to Hutton this year! Classes start the week of February 5th, will be held from 3-4:30, and are six sessions long. Activity buses are provided. Classes are \$40 and scholarships are available! Please sign up for one class per child to allow for the most student participation as possible.

Registration opens at 8:00 am on Monday, January 15th at After School Arts Registration

Please contact <u>HuttonPTGAfterSchoolArts@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

Hutton PTG Website Hutton PTG on Instagram Hutton PTG on Facebook Hutton PTG Meeting Zoom Link

Email for more information at <a href="mailto:huttonptg@gmail.com">huttonptg@gmail.com</a>.

#### **Our Amazing Students**



Congratulations to the following students who earned Citizen of the Month for December! They exemplified **EMPATHY** in their classrooms.

#### Kindergarten

Taylor Castle
Lilah Cressey
Brody Czapiewski
Viola Jett
Jamison Johnson
Penelope Nay
Jaysen Roman
Zander Young

#### K/1

Leif Danielson Evelyn Ommodt

#### First Grade

Kajsa Decato Hazel Emerson Henry Garrison Abby Gray Gregory Nay Mila Rebellino

#### Second Grade

Beaudry Boysen
Elle Chamberlin
Oliver Colean
Joey Hegedus
Penny Jackson
Teah Li
Adelaide Lorimer
Bennett Phillabaum
Laney Redman
Charlotte Rittenbach

#### Third Grade

Eva Andrade Olmsted
Baya Cratty
Crosby Hoag
Ava Lane
Kaiden O'Conner
Alexander Rodriguez
Adaline Steel
Beatrix Thayer-Dixon

#### **Newcomer Center**

Solange Uwase

#### Fourth Grade

Brooks Chamberlin Svea Gentry Karissa Hetzel Clara Hill Ellie Jauretche Piper Jones Ross

#### Fifth Grade

Hugh Miller Isaac Reed Conner Richter Emma Steel Sam Stroud Lucy Tillery

#### **Counselor's Corner**

### From Mrs. Snider

Want to be "in the know" about the happenings at Hutton? check out my Counselor's Corner. I will have all



the *things* about SEL, what is happening in the classroom with my lessons, school-wide activities, ideas for home and more.

Mrs. Snider's Counseling Corner

### **Important School Information**



The Hutton 5th Graders are hosting a 2nd Harvest Food Drive! Nonperishable food items and cash donations will be collected from January 22nd through February 2nd in your child's classroom. Thank you, Hutton Community!

## Hutton has

## College Wear Thursdays!

Starting in January, every Thursday will be dedicated to sporting your college gear. College Wear Thursday is an exciting initiative to foster a college-going culture within our community! Wearing college gear not only shows pride in one's alma mater but also encourages conversations about education, career aspirations, and the value of lifelong learning. This initiative is a creative way to engage both staff and students in a shared sense of community and educational enthusiasm.

The inclusion of various college-related items like sweatshirts, T-shirts, hats, socks, and lanyards allows for a diverse and fun expression of support for different colleges and universities. We want to see it all! Additionally, incorporating activities such as March Madness will add an extra layer of excitement and engagement throughout the year. So, be on the lookout for various activities on our college-going culture throughout the year.

Overall, College Wear Thursday is a positive and inclusive initiative that has the potential to create a sense of unity and pride within the school community. It's a great way to celebrate education and encourage a college-going mindset among students and staff alike.













## **Hutton Spirit Gear Available to Order**

Hutton Spirit Gear is now available to order through Momentum Ink. We have good news...the gear is available in the Hutton Nest Colors!

Portal is open now through Thursday, January 23rd!

Hurry and order yours today before the portal closes!

Order Hutton Spirit Gear





## **Hutton PBIS - Together We Can!**

**Upcoming Hutton Friday Spirit Days** 

January 19: Wear your Hutton gear and Hutton

colors (blue, white and red)

## **Hutton Nest System**









When we have "Wear Your Nest Color Hutton Friday Spirit Day", students wear the color of their nest.

**Hutton Hawks Soar Together** 

#### **District News**

Kindergarten/School Registration for 2024-25 School year began on January 1st. Please check here for more information about new district registration for the next school year.



## Be a School Reading Buddy

The Community Reading Buddies pilot program connects Spokane Public Schools elementary students with parents, community organizations



and businesses, bringing more adult volunteers and kids together to have fun reading.

Want to get involved? Contact <u>Gina Naccarato-Keele</u>, director of special programs. A <u>volunteer application</u> must be completed. The process for clearance takes about 1.5 weeks so please plan accordingly. If you have been cleared in previous years, please disregard. Thank you!

Reading Buddies - Partnering for Student Success

## **Spokane Public Schools**

#### **School Facility Bond & Replacement Levy Election**

February 13, 2024

#### What is a school levy?

Levies support essential programs, staff, and services that provide students with a quality education.

The 2024 Educational Programs and Operation Levy replaces the expiring 2021 levy.

The levy helps to provide an educational experience that our community has grown to expect to meet student needs by funding extracurricular activities, special education programs, critical health and wellness services, and other student programs and supports.

## Levies support programs and services benefiting all schools

- Athletics
- Arts, Music, and Drama
- Nurses
- Counselors
- Advanced Placement Courses
- Special Education
- Behavior Specialists
- Technology Support
- Smaller Class Sizes
- Highly Capable Programs
- Librarians
- Custodians
- Intervention Programs

#### What is a school bond?

Bonds support buildings – they pay for facility and security improvements. They cannot be used to operate schools and fund programs.

Bonds require 60% approval, and 40% of voters from the prior general election for validation.

#### What does the 2024 bond do?

- Modernizes and replaces a few older schools and make smaller improvements across the district while keeping the tax bill predictable.
- Continues Spokane Public Schools' proven history of constructing and maintaining durable, well-designed school buildings.
- Protects and maintains the community's investment in school buildings, keeping the district's long-range replacement and modernization plan on course.

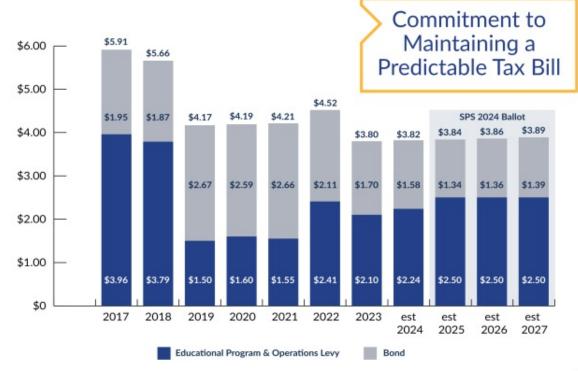








#### Spokane Public Schools Tax Rate per \$1000 of Assessed Value





#### 2024 Major Bond Projects

Adams Elementary Replacement

Madison Elementary Replacement

North Central High School Modernization of Old Section

Garry Middle School Modernization and Addition

Chase Middle School Improvements

Spokane Public Montessori and Libby Center Upgrades

The Community School Improvements

Balboa and Indian Trail Elementary Full Redesign





### **SPOKANE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALENDAR 2023-24**

#### **AUGUST**

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
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#### **SEPTEMBER**

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
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18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

#### **OCTOBER**

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
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9	10	11	12	<b>+13</b>
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23	24	25	26	27
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#### **NOVEMBER**

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#### **DECEMBER**

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
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#### **JANUARY**

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#### SIGNIFICANT DATES

August 28 - 30 Teacher V	Work Day / Prof. Learn. Imp. Day
August 31 - September 1	K-12 Launch Conferences
September 4	Labor Day
September 5 First I	Day of Classes (1st through 12th)
September 6 First Day	y of Kindergarten (A/B Rotation)
September 12First 0	Day of All Kindergarten Together
September 25 First Do	ay for School Day Preschool (PK)
September 26	First Day for AM/PM & CIP PK
October 13Prof. Lea	ım. Imp. Day / Non Student Day
November 10	Veterans Day
November 22-24	Thanksgiving Break
December 25 - January 5	Winter Break
January 15	MLK Day
January 25-26 Elem. Progress	Conf. / Elem. Non Student Day
February 2Semest	er Break-Day / Non Student Day
February 19	President's Day
February 20Prof. Lea	rm. Imp. Day / Non Student Day
March 15 Weather N	Make Up Day / Non Student Day
April 1-5	Spring Break
May 27	Memorial Day
June 7	Last Day for AM/PM & CIP PK
June 11	Last Day for School Day PK
June 14	Last Day of School
June 17, 18 We	ather Make Up Days (if needed)
June 19	Juneteenth

#### **Elementary Grading Periods**

February 1	.End of First Semester
June 14En	d of Second Semester

#### **Elementary Reporting**

#### First Grading Period

February 16	Report Cards
Second Grading Period	
June 14	Report Cards

#### **Secondary Grading Periods**

November /	End of First Quarter
February 1	End of First Semester
April 12	End of Third Quarter
June 14	nd of Second Semester

#### Secondary Reporting

November 15	First Quarter Report Cards
February 9	First Semester Report Cards
April 19	Third Quarter Report Cards
June 17	Second Semester Report Cards

#### **FEBRUARY**

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
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12	13	14	15	16
19	<b>+20</b>	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	

#### MARCH

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#### **APRIL**

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#### MAY

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#### **IUNE**

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24	25	26	27	28	

#### LEGEND

- First/Last day of School
- Late Start/Collaboration
- Holiday
- No School/School Break Day
- □ Conferences
- ♦ Teacher Workday/Prof. Learn. Imp. Day
- ★ Weather/Emergency Makeup Day

**2023-2024 SPS Calendar** 





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