

Voyager Middle School

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Newsletter

Message from Principal, Mr. Bailey

Welcome Back!

At the end of last year we received two awards. One from the Federal Government and Title One for increasing our overall WASL scores for the last three years in conjunction with annual yearly progress required by No Child Left Behind and one from the State of Washington congratulating us on the 2007-2008 school year improvements in 7th grade writing and reading.

Despite these awards the staff at Voyager continues to focus on constantly improving instruction creating systems so that every individual student gets the support they need to succeed.

This is a commitment that every staff member reconfirms to each other through the teaming structure we have at Voyager and with students through the individual goal setting they do with every student.

This year we expect another successful year. If you have questions or concerns please feel free to call me at 425 356 1730. Or call your student's counselor. (Ms Beck A- K, Ms Spiller L-Z)

Calendar of Events

9/22/09	Open house Pick up WASL scores from Core teachers or sign up with parent connect to see them on-line.
9/24/09	Early Dismissal 12:15 dismissal
9/25/09	No School Teacher Training

Message from Ms Moore Assistant Principal

We re-committed our efforts toward Make Your Day with staff and students.

Your student's planners explain the details of the Make Your Day system. If you have any questions please give me a call at 425 356 1730.

We continue to emphasize safety here at Voyager. We are having drills the first two weeks of school so students know how to respond.

Ms Ferguson, our security monitor, has returned this year and Deputy Beckner, School Resource Officer, is still assigned to Mariner with easy access to Voyager.

Parent Liaison Welcome Tammy Zirbel

Many of you might already know Tammy as a band booster and Vice President of PTO. Come greet her, meet her and sign up as a volunteer and for listserv. You can find her at the PTO table on the first floor of the "B" building across from the elevator @ Open House on 9/22/09. Meet the PTO members too.

Do you want to know more about Voyager and your student's daily life?

Sign up with parent connect in the main office. Liz Reynolds, office manager, can help you.

Parking Lot and Campus Safety

When dropping off or picking up students please keep your eyes open and your ears alert, especially in the mornings and afternoons. We will be training our students from the very first day on safety procedures. Everything from using the crosswalks to earthquake drills.

You can help by remembering the pickup and drop off lane is the yellow curb in the middle of the main parking lot. In addition, the far right lane of the entrance is for buses only. The red curb in front of the building is for emergency vehicles and busses only.

If the drop off lane is backed up, please line up in the parking lot along 4th Avenue.

News from the School Nurse

The start of school is a busy time. Thank you VO parents for returning the School Health Information forms on a timely schedule. As changes occur in your child's health and or emergency contact information please keep the VO school staff informed.

This year **Tuesday October 20th** is state mandated **Vision and Hearing screening for seventh grade students**, if your child wears glasses please make sure they bring their glasses to school.

Sixth grade students who have not turned in the date of their Chickenpox (Varicella) immunization or the date they had Chickenpox or the date of their DTaP will be contacted. Please send those dates to the nurse as soon as possible. 131 students in the sixth grade are still missing this information. We are sending reminders home.

Wishing you all a healthy year.

Gail Fraser RN MN BC

ESA.Cert. School Nurse

Breakfast and Lunch prices have gone up.

The cost for full pay breakfast is \$1.50 and the cost for full pay lunch is \$2.50 per day. Reduced breakfast is FREE and reduced lunch price is 40 cents.

****If your student has a balance due in the cafeteria, please be sure to send in payment ****