



# HILLTOP HUSKIES

December 2019

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## Student Council is looking for books!

Student Council is looking for between 450 and 500 books to donate to another school in the district.

Please consider donating new and/or gently used books to our drive!

We know that Hilltop students love helping kids in our community and this is a great way to teach our little Huskies how to give back!

**Book Drive**  
Monday, Dec. 9th - Wednesday, Dec. 18th

We are partnering with a school in Edmonds School District to collect new and gently used books for their students at home. Our goal is to collect one book for every student there. We are primarily looking for A-M reading levels (kindergarten through 3rd grade), but do need some higher levels (N-Z / 4th-6th grade.) We also want to place an emphasis on diverse characters represented in the stories, if possible. Thank you!

## Stay on Top of the PTSA News

Click on the icons below



[www.hilltopPTSA.org](http://www.hilltopPTSA.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tonight - 12/12

### SKATE PARTY

Join your friends at the

**Lynnwood Bowl & Skate**

**6-8pm**

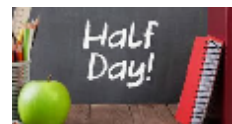
- \$8 Admission
- Upgrade to inline skates for \$3.75
- Get your photo taken with the Hilltop holiday tree mascot!

Now until 12/18



Students can give donated books to their teachers or take them to the front office until next Wednesday.

Friday 12/20



Early Release

**No school from 12/23 - 1/3**

School returns Monday 1/6/20

# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

*Dear Hilltop Families,*



It was wonderful to see so many of you at Hilltop's Multicultural Night. I love learning about the traditional foods, events and dress of our families. If your family is celebrating a holiday during December, I wish you joyous celebrations. My family celebrates Christmas and this is a very special time of year for us.

December is a quick month at school, but teachers have shared their excitement to have three full weeks of instruction. While we love vacations and three day weekends as much as you do, educators know that kids do well with routines. Please do not plan family vacations on school days, rather take advantage of winter break, spring break and long weekends. See the attached calendar to plan ahead. [https://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/families/calendars\\_and\\_parent\\_handbook](https://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/families/calendars_and_parent_handbook)

Although it is critical for student learning that students are present when healthy, it's also important that students stay home when they are sick. Students should stay home if there has been any fever, vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours. Our health room has been very busy lately. Be sure to teach your children how to wash their hands properly. It is one of the best ways to stop the transfer of germs.

I continue to enjoy getting to know our Hilltop students. We have a very kind and considerate school. Every day I see students hold the door for others and say, "Good Morning," to our staff. Students work hard to solve problems and show their flexibility when needed. This month's school-wide virtue is Gratitude, and I am grateful for our students and the wonderful parents who have guided them.

*Warmly,*

*Principal Melissa Somoza*



Also, a **big thank you** to the Hilltop Huskies that participated in the Celebrate Schools 5k Run/Walk in October. We raised over \$800 for our school!

# SAVE THE DATES

TONIGHT!



Friday,  
January 17<sup>th</sup> in  
the school gym



Birthday  
party!

## Cub Scout Pack 64 is turning 50 years old!

We would like to invite all Pack 64 alumni to join us for our annual Pinewood Derby on Saturday January 11<sup>th</sup> .

The derby will start at 9:30, and the birthday cake is expected to be served around 11:00-11:30. As a part of our birthday celebration, we would love for pack alumni to bring their pinewood derby cars to participate in a special Alumni Race!

Contact [pack64lynnwood@gmail.com](mailto:pack64lynnwood@gmail.com) for more information. Please pass this along to any Pack 64 Cub Scout alumni you know!

Cub Scout Pack 64  
<http://www.facebook.com/pack64lynnwood>



# From the PTSA...

Huskies on hilltops with so many teachers,  
Bright students learn in their classrooms  
so eager,

Show them your thanks for the wisdom  
they bring,  
These are a few of their favorite things!

We asked your child's teacher and other  
staff members at Hilltop what some of their  
favorite things are. Here's what they said!

<http://bit.ly/hilltopstafffavorites>

*Note – this is not a request, just if you are  
interested in gifting to a teacher this  
holiday season, we have compiled some  
of their 'favorite things'*



THESE ARE  
A FEW OF THEIR...

## Favorite Things

Need gift ideas for your  
favorite teachers at Hilltop?  
<http://bit.ly/hilltopstafffavorites>



Science



Technology



Engineering



Art



Mathematics

Hilltop is looking for some interested volunteers to team together with Hilltop staff and the PTSA to organize and plan the spring STEAM Day for the Hilltop Community.

STEAM day is full of hands-on, DIY projects so awesome, the kids will forget they are learning something!

If you are interested and have a love and passion about Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Math and sharing that with our community, please consider be a part of the planning and organizing of STEAM day.

If you have an interest or would like more information, contact Melissa Samoza at [somozam341@edmonds.wednet.edu](mailto:somozam341@edmonds.wednet.edu)

# School Calendar

## 2019 -2020 School Event Calendar

### Date Changes

August 2019						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
					1	2
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

11th School ground clean-up 9-11 am

February 2020						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

5th **PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**  
 14th Half Day / Early Release  
 17th President's Day - No School  
 18th No School  
 21st Dance

### September 2019

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

3rd **September - General Meeting/Open House**

4th No school - Meet the Teacher 4-5 PM

5th **PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

6th **Back to School Picnic - Paid \$30 - 8:00**

9th First Day of Kindergarten

12th 6th Grade Camp & Curriculum

13th **Staff Appreciation Lunch**

20th Half Day / Early Release

19th 6th Grade camp

19th Ge-1-5 Curriculum Night & PTSA General Meeting

26th **Picture Day**

27th **Fun Run**

### October 2019

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

3rd **October - PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

4th Half Day / Early Release

5th Celebrate Scholastic Foundation Sk Run

18th No School

21-25th Parent Conferences / Half Days / Early Release

26th Book Fair

27-29th **CARNIVAL!**

30th **October - PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

7th **November - PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

8th Veterans Day Assembly / Half Day ER

11th Veterans Day (observed) - no school

15th **Staff Appreciation Lunch**

Multi-cultural Publiok

27-29th Thanksgiving Break - no school

December

5th **December - PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

12th **Saxite night**

Half Day / Early Release

12/23 - 1/3 Winter Break

January

1-3 Winter Break

9th **PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

13th **MLK A assembly**

16th **PTSA General Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

17th **Staff Appreciation Lunch**

17th **Movie night**

20th Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School

24th Half Day / Early Release

27th No School

### March 2020

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

### March

5th **PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

11-13th **Staff Appreciation Lunch**

13th Parent Conferences / Half Days / Early Release

16-20th No School

19th Book Fair

19th **Open House + Art Show**

### April 2020

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

### April

2nd **April - PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:00 - 7:00**

6-10th Spring Break - No School

24th **STEAM**

Half Day / Early Release

May

7th **May - PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

8th Mom's & Muffins / Half Day / Early Release

15th **Staff Appreciation Lunch**

22th No School

25th Memorial Day - No school

### May 2020

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

### June

4th **Volunteer Tea**

4th **PTSA Board Meeting - Library 6:30 - 8:30**

12th **Dads & Donuts**

12th Field Day

16th 6th grade graduation

16th Last day of school - early release\*

### June 2020

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

\*Show Make-up Days, if needed, will be in this order- June 29, May 22, June 22, 23, 24  
 Note: Dates are subject to change as needed



# District Calendar



## 2019-2020 Family and Community Calendar

*Please note: There is also a separate calendar for the 2019-2020 school year calendar.*

AUGUST 2019					SEPTEMBER 2019					OCTOBER 2019					NOVEMBER 2019					DECEMBER 2019					JANUARY 2020									
M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F					
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19	20	21	22	23	23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	20	21	22	23	24					
26	27	28	29	30	30					28	29	30	31		25	26	27	28	29	30	31				27	28	29	30	31					

**Aug 25-27** Professional Development Days (Teacher Contract/Non-Student Day)

**Sep 2** Labor Day

**Sep 5** Professional Development Day (Teacher Contract/Non-Student)

**Sep 4** First Day of School

**Sep 28** Early Release (all grades)

**Oct 4** Early Release (all grades)

**Oct 18** Professional Development Day (Teacher Contract/Non-Student)

**Oct 21-25** Gratitude Event/Teacher Conference (Early Release, P.K.)

**Nov 8** Early Release (all grades) End of First Quarter

**Nov 11** Veterans Day (observed)

**Nov 27** Teacher Non-Contact Day/Non-Student Day

**Nov 25-27** Thanksgiving break

**Dec 28** Early Release (all grades)

**Dec 29-Jan 1** Winter Break

**Jan 1-3** Winter Break (continued)

**Jan 28** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**Jan 29** Early Release (all grades), End of First Semester

**Jan 27** Professional Development Day (Teacher Contract/Non-Student)

FEBRUARY 2020					MARCH 2020					APRIL 2020					MAY 2020					JUNE 2020					JULY 2020									
M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F					
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10	11	12	13	14	9	10	11	12	13	6	7	8	9	10	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	6	7	8	9	10					
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					30	31				27	28	29	30		25	26	27	28	29	29	30				27	28	29	30	31					

**Feb 14** Early Release (all grades)

**Feb 17** President's Day

**Feb 18** Teacher Non-Contact Day/Non-Student Day

**Mar 14-15** Gender EQ (Parent Teacher Conference) (Early Release, P.K.)

**Mar 16** Professional Development Day (Teacher Contract/Non-Student)

**Apr 2** Early Release (all grades) End of Third Quarter

**Apr 6-10** Spring Break

**Apr 24** Early Release (all grades)

**May 8** Early Release (all grades)

**May 22** Professional Development Day (Teacher Contract/Non-Student)

**May 25** Memorial Day

**June 12** Early Release (all grades)

**June 18** Last Day of School (Early Release, End of Second Semester)

**June 19** Snow Make-Up Day (if needed)\*

**June 23-24** Snow Make-Up Days (if needed)\*

### LEGEND

- First Day of School
- Early Release (all grades)
- Early Release (P.K.)
- Non-Student Day
- Holiday/No School
- End of Term
- Last Day of School (Early Release)
- Snow Make-up Day

\*Snow Make-up Days, if needed, will be in this order: June 19, May 22, June 23, 24