

## ***Hello Skyview Families!***

In this edition of the **Skyview Family Newsletter**, you will see:

- Important Upcoming Dates - please note, there are A LOT!
  - Safety Notes (**Parking lot** and **Bus Drivers**)
  - ASB School News
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  - Notes from the Nurse
  - PTSA News
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  - Lost and found items to be donated
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  - Skyview Cultural Night information - Save the date!
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### ***Important Upcoming Dates***

- 11/9: AM Assembly - Veterans Day Assembly
  - 11/9: Shrek the Play - come see it! Details below... 7pm
  - 11/10: Shrek the Play - come see it! Details below ... 2pm and 7pm
  - 11/7 - 11/16: ASB Sponsored **Food Drive**, details below!
  - 11/12: Veterans Day observed, no school
  - 11/15: Fundraiser Distribution - see below for details!
  - 11/15: PTSA MOD Pizza fundraiser
  - 11/21: Full day 1-6 NON Block day
  - 11/22 - 11/23: Thanksgiving break, no school
  - 11/29: Performing Arts Assembly (AM Block 1, 2, 3 Schedule)
  - 12/7: PTSA Staff appreciation Holiday Desserts
  - 1/11/19: Save the Date - Skyview Cultural Night 6:00pm
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### **A Safety note about the Parking Lot and Bus Drivers**

Thank you to our families for observing our parking lot procedures! Dropping off or picking up your student along the fence line by the white tent is making our traffic flow much quicker. This longer drop off/pick-up line also prevents back-ups that could block busses from being able to

enter or exit the campus. We appreciate your support, as you pitch in to make the best of our construction phase.

After school, parents are pulling out in front of the buses. Please give the buses the right of way so they can stay on schedule.

And, students need to ride the bus if they are assigned a bus - please do not drop them off if they are supposed to be a bus rider - thanks!

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### ASB News

#### **Food Drive!!!! Get those cans in!!!**

Skyview Middle school is hosting a canned food drive for families in need. Collection will be in advisory classrooms until the 16th of November. The advisory classroom with the most canned or non-perishable food goods will be rewarded with doughnuts. There will be a thermometer in the cafeteria showing our progress towards our school goal of 2,000 cans collected.

#### **FUNDRAISER FOLLOW-UP**

We had a successful fundraiser this year and we thank you for your support. **Thursday November 15th** is our day for distributing the cookie dough (and all other non-magazine items). Students with **3 or fewer items** will be able to pick up their orders **during 3rd period** and take them home on the bus. **Larger orders will need to be picked up by a parent.**

Due to the large amount of after-school traffic that we have at Skyview, we will have orders available for pick up from **3:30pm - 6:00pm in the breezeway at Skyview**. Please make arrangements to pick up items during these hours. Since most items are frozen, it is very important that they get picked up on the 15h.

Thank you for your cooperation!

**Volunteers needed for fundraiser product distribution.** If you can help out at either of the times listed below, please email [mjefferson@nsd.org](mailto:mjefferson@nsd.org).

- 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. set up (10 needed, dress for the weather and bring gloves - it will be in the breezeway!)
- 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. distribution (6 needed)

#### **Sports**

Second Season Sports began November 5th, this includes 7/8th grade Boys Basketball (Cuts) and 6th grade Basketball (no Cuts). A current sports physical and registration on [FamilyID.com](https://familyid.com) is required and opened on October 15th. **Game schedules will be on the Skyview website.**

#### **Fall Drama Performance**

Our fabulous Drama Club is proud to present:



**Friday, November 9th @ 7pm**

**Saturday, November 10th @ 2pm and 7pm**

The cost is \$5.00 with an ASB card - \$6.00 without one. Invite your friends and family to the show! **Order your tickets online and avoid the lines using [schoolsales.nsd.org](https://schoolsales.nsd.org), or purchase tickets at the door.**

A HUGE Thank You to all our amazing volunteers who helped out during our after school movie. It takes a village, and we are so glad that you are part of ours.

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#### **Veterans Day Assembly Invite**

On **Friday November 9th**, Skyview Middle School will be hosting our annual celebration of **Veteran's Day** during an all-school morning assembly, starting at **8:20am**. If you have a family member that has served or is serving in any branch of the Armed Forces, **they are welcome to attend the assembly - sign in at the main office please.**

Skyview is thankful for those who served and continue to serve, we look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

*Skyview Assembly Committee*

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## A NOTE from the



Contagious illness is always with us and can be spread in a variety of ways. For example, the flu is spread when a person who has a virus coughs, sneezes or speaks and sends the virus into the air. The virus enters the nose, throat or lungs of another person and multiplies. It is important to teach everyone not to share personal items such as food, drink containers, water bottles, lipstick etc as these items can harbor and transfer germs between people.

We are trying to ensure that all of our students and staff stay as healthy as possible. **Hand washing is the number one way to reduce spread of illness.** We are reminding students to be diligent in washing their hands while at school. Hand gel will be available to students, especially in rooms that do not have access to sink and water. In order for hand gel to be effective, it must contain at least 60% alcohol. Getting enough sleep at night and good nutrition also play a role in staying healthy. Flu shots are recommended for all children age 6mo to 18yrs and adults over 50, especially those with chronic health conditions.

When your child is ill, he/she is more likely to contract other illnesses. Your child also exposes other students and staff when he/she comes to school sick. **If your child has any of the symptoms below, please keep him/her at home until the symptoms subside.**

These are the same guidelines that the school nurse uses to evaluate students who may need to go home:

- **APPEARANCE/BEHAVIOR:** unusually tired, difficult to wake, pale, skin rash, lack of appetite; these are often signs of underlying illness.
- **FEVER:** temperature of 100 degrees or higher. Child may be sent home without a fever if other symptoms are present.
- **SORE THROAT:** especially with fever and/or swollen glands.
- **VOMITING/DIARRHEA:** within the past 24 hours.
- **NASAL DRAINAGE/COUGH:** yellow or green nasal drainage and/or chronic coughing may prevent your child or other students from being able to concentrate. They may expose others to illness, especially if they cannot control their secretions. Severe coughs should be evaluated by a health care provider to rule out Pertussis or "whooping cough".
- **RASH:** Any rash of unknown cause should be considered contagious. Please have your child examined by a health care provider to determine the cause and communicability of the rash before sending him/her to school. The school may require a note from the health care provider stating that the rash is not contagious.
- **Other:** For other specific diseases or health difficulties it is always a good idea to contact me. I am happy to share information and resources anytime!

**Students should be fever-free without fever reducing medication and no vomiting/diarrhea for 24 hours before returning to school.**

It is not unusual for students to feel better in the morning and then worse as the day goes along. The school is not equipped for prolonged care of your sick child. **We require that you or an emergency contact will pick up your sick child within the hour that you are called.** It is important for the school to have a list of local emergency contacts that are available to pick up your child in the event that we are not able to reach you. Please notify the school if there are changes to your contacts.

We need everyone's cooperation, to be better able to provide a healthy learning environment for our students and staff members.

Thanks for doing your part to help keep Skyview students and staff healthy. As always, please reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

*Jennifer Celms, RN*

425-408-6806

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#### PTSA News

<http://skyviewjuniorhigh.ourschoolpages.com/Home>

#### MOD PIZZA NIGHT OUT

- **Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**
- 22833 Bothell Everett Highway, Suite 161 Bothell, WA 98021
- A great time to build community over a yummy meal! Bring a friend or two and enjoy a family night out!
- When you purchase your meal, mention Skyview PTSA to receive 20% of your meal's price donated back to Skyview PTSA!
- Questions? Contact Laryssa here.



#### NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS CONTEST – Still time to

enter!

- The Reflections Program is a National PTA cultural arts competition.

- The due date for entries is Monday, November 26th to the main office.
- Please visit our [website](#) for an informative video!



#### **SKYVIEW PTSA PARTNERSHIPS & Amazon Smile**

- Did you know your regular shopping at Amazon and Fred Meyer can earn money for Skyview PTSA?
- These beneficial partnerships are an EASY way to support your local school community, and add no additional fees/cost to your regular shopping.
- Great way to help during seasonal holiday shopping!
- Click [here](#) for how you can link up to help!

#### **STAFF APPRECIATION – THANK YOU!**

- With the help of generous donations from Skyview families, the PTSA Staff Appreciation Team was able to put on a yummy Taco Lunch for SMS staff members on Oct. 26th! Thank you to all who donated and helped make this Staff Appreciation Event such a great success!!!



#### **FALL PTSA BOX TOPS DRIVE RESULTS!**

- A total of 3885 Box Tops were collected! Thanks to all of you who sent them in!
  - Classroom Advisory Results for the top 3 classes are as follows:
  - 3rd Place - 253 Box Tops - Ms. Richardson's class
  - 2nd Place - 374 Box Tops - Ms. Longhurst's class
  - 1st Place - 477 Box Tops - Ms. McCool's Class
  - McCool's class was treated to donuts donated from the Thrasher's Corner Fred Meyer.
- Another drive will be held in late January so keep clipping!

Any questions contact PTSA!

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### **Skyview Middle School National Junior Honor Society**

Skyview Middle School Honor Society recognizes students with exemplary academic achievement, citizenship, leadership, and community involvement. In addition to meeting all of the core requirements, students must apply each school year in order to be considered for annual membership. Students accepted into Honor Society will be invited via acceptance letter to a formal induction ceremony in May.

**The application for the 2018-2019 school year and *much more information* can be found [here on the Skyview Website](#).** Please read all requirements thoroughly. In the coming months, you will see some changes to E.A.R.N. days to better suit the needs of our school, so please be sure to check the website regularly. Applications are due Friday, March 29, 2019.

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### **Lost and Found**

All items in the Lost and Found area in the cafeteria will be donated at the end of the day on Wednesday November 21st. Please ask your student to check the lost and found in the cafeteria to gather jackets, lunchboxes, water bottles and more before they are donated - thanks!

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### **Attendance Reminder**

***As we near the upcoming holidays and school breaks, please plan ahead for absences.***

Whenever possible, schedule vacations during designated school breaks, to limit your student from missing valuable classroom instruction, labs and collaborative group work.

To report an absence\* call **Skyview's Attendance Office at 425-408-6810 (24 hour attendance line)** or send a signed note, when your students returns to school. (\*report within 48 hours - State Law RCW 28A225).

If your student will miss **5 or more school days**, a **pre-arranged absence contract form** is required (available in the Attendance Office) as an agreement with teachers to make up assignments and to pre-excuse the absence.

**Due to construction on campus**, please allow extra time when dropping off or picking up your student.

For **late arrivals** to school or to arrange for an **early dismissal**, send a **signed note** on the same day your student is late or leaving early. Include student's name, their ID number, date, time and reason for the absence.

**Skyview is a closed campus**, for safety reasons, parents/guardians or other authorized persons, must go directly to the Attendance Office, with a valid photo identification, to "sign out" the student. Releasing your student to someone other than a parent/guardian, requires written permission in advance.

Also note, it may not be possible to dismiss students early during Assemblies, Advisory, Movement, Nutrition breaks, or the last 15 minutes of the school day, unless pre-arranged in advance.

***Enjoy time with family and friends over the upcoming holidays and breaks!***

Vicki Madsen, Attendance Office Secretary 425-408-6810 or 425-408-6819

Visit NSD Webpage: [Click here for additional information and procedures.](#)



**Save the Date:**

**Skyview Cultural Night**

**Friday, January 11, 2019 - 6-8:30pm**

**Skyview is a school full of diversity, and we want to celebrate it!**

**What is Cultural Night?** Cultural Night is a celebration of *all* Skyview families and an opportunity to showcase each culture through food, dance and fashion.

**What do we need from you?** We are looking for families of all cultures to participate by showcasing their culture and sharing unique traditions in a variety of ways! Our goal is for each family to bring a food item that represents their culture and to share or showcase something special and unique to their culture. For example, it could be a "show and tell" about your country through a poster board, a display of artifacts, games unique to your culture, geographical maps, dance and/or movement, traditional clothing and dress, videos portraying countries and culture, and of course... food!

Here are our highlights for the evening:

- Pot Luck- Please bring a food dish or “small bite” that you feel shows something special about your culture. (Allergy information will be completed at table set up.)
- Cultural Poster Board: Showcase your country on a tri-fold board. This can include a map, pictures, languages, ceremonies, religions, celebrations, or anything else you would like to share with our families at Skyview. This is also a great place to display artifacts specific to your country. We ask that you be there to answer questions about your culture during the event for the first 30 minutes. Poster boards will be provided by PTSA in the beginning April, via your child. (Please ask them to come to the office and request a board.)
- Talent Show – Showcase your cultural through dances, theatre, literature, song, and performances! Please select a talent that can be showcased in less than 4 minutes.
- Fashion show – Join our fashion show of nations. Children and/or parents from different countries will display their dress in just before the Talent Show. This will be emceed by our Students United Club.

Please mark your calendars and begin thinking of ways your family would like to showcase your culture! We will be sending out a sign-up sheet in the next week in a variety of ways. Our Multicultural Committee is also looking for more volunteers. If you are interested, please email Brandi Doyle [bdoyle@nsd.org](mailto:bdoyle@nsd.org).

Thank you!

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**Our School office hours: 7:30am – 4:00pm**

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**Important School Phone Numbers and Emails:**

**Skyview Website:** [www.nsd.org/skyview](http://www.nsd.org/skyview)

Main School Office	408-6800	<a href="mailto:dkinney@nsd.org">dkinney@nsd.org</a>
ASB and Athletics	408-6803	<a href="mailto:mjefferson@nsd.org">mjefferson@nsd.org</a>
Attendance Office	408-6810	<a href="mailto:vmadsen@nsd.org">vmadsen@nsd.org</a>
School Registrar	408-6818	<a href="mailto:kstaten@nsd.org">kstaten@nsd.org</a>
Health Room	408-6806	<a href="mailto:jcelms@nsd.org">jcelms@nsd.org</a>
Kitchen	408-6808	
Transportation	408-7900	

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***The mission of Skyview Middle School is to collaboratively educate and support students as they develop into lifelong learners by providing a nurturing environment where academic and personal excellence are achieved.***

*Dianne Kinney*

Office Manager - Skyview Middle School

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