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3/22 - Movie Night 1:40pm Gym
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3/29 - 11:45 Release
4/1-5 - Spring Break

Hello Phoenix Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying our “cocoa” season weather. As spring draws near, between snowflakes, we are excited to roll out the welcome mat for the Class of 2031 and for the opportunities and learning experiences that students will be choosing for next school year. We really want to ensure a smooth transition for everyone.

Registration for the 2024-2025 classes will open on 3/21. The process is designed to be user-friendly and accessible for all families. Please take note of the following important information:

In order to streamline the experience for families, we will be using online registration (**student access only**) for our current 6th & 7th graders. Fifth grade students will be choosing their courses via worksheet. Each 5th grade student will receive a paper copy of the classes we will offer in the 24-25 school year.

Students currently attending Totem will receive detailed instructions on how to complete their choices online. The Skyward portal will be open from 3/21 to 3/28. A comprehensive list of courses along with detailed descriptions is available on our website and students will review the options with counselors. We encourage both students and parents to review these materials to make informed decisions about course selections.

Our dedicated counseling team will be available to assist and guide students and families through the registration process. Please feel free to contact the Totem team with any questions or concerns.

We appreciate your cooperation and timely completion of the registration process. Ensuring that your child is registered for the upcoming school year allows us to make necessary preparations for staffing, resources, and scheduling.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Totem Middle. We look forward to another successful year of learning and growth.

Keri Lindsay
Principal

MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPRING SURVEY
2023 - 2024
SCHOOL YEAR

PLEASE PARTICIPATE BY MARCH 24

Thank you!

Spring Survey opens March 1st

The district's spring survey of families, students in grades 3 - 12, and staff district-wide opens March 1. Complete the survey by clicking on the appropriate link below (for families and staff). Students will be surveyed during the school day. These surveys are the annual surveys that will provide the district with important information about our schools and the district.

Survey Links:

- [Families](#)
- [Teachers](#)
- [All Other Staff](#) (all positions other than teacher)

Please participate as soon as possible and no later than March 24, 2024.

MARCH INTO KINDERGARTEN



REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 1

MARCHAR AL JARDÍN DE INFANTES



LA INSCRIPCIÓN COMIENZA EL 1 DE MARZO

It's time to March into Kindergarten! Registration for the 2024 - 2025 school year opens on March 1. Register online by visiting www.ms25.org/registration or your neighborhood school.

Have your child's birth certificate, immunization records, health and emergency contact information, and proof of residence handy upon registration. Children eligible for kindergarten must be five years old before August 31, 2024.

Stay connected through email and social media for important updates and information!

YOU'RE
INVITED!

MSD/Tulalip Indian ed ROUND DANCE



**FREE
DINNER**

**DOOR OPENS
AT 5PM**

**Thursday, March 7, 2024
5:00-8:00pm**

**AT TOTEM MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM
1605 7TH ST. MARYSVILLE, WA 98270**

HOST SINGERS IS ROCKING HOUSE
MC RANDY VENDIOLA

FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT
TERRANCE_SABBAS@MSVL.K12.WA.US
(360) 965-0573




**CMS's
3rd Annual
AAPI Fair**

Save The Date
May 10, 2024
Friday (4:00-6:30PM)

Interested in a booth?- email tanya_taimanglo@msvl.k12.wa.us



PRESENTERS NEEDED: MAY 15, 2024 **TOTEM MIDDLE SCHOOL CAREER DAY**

SCAN ME



Do you have a passion for your profession?
Looking to inspire the next generation in your field?
Sign up to speak for a class period about your career
journey during Career Day!

DETAILS:

- 45-60 min. presentation times between 8:30AM - 3:00PM
- AM and PM sessions to work around your schedule
- Any profession is needed - just a desire to inspire
- Scan the QR code for more details and to express interest

JOIN US IN OUR CAMPAIGN

FOOD DRIVE

MARCH 11, 12, 13, 14, AND 15TH

Most Needed Items:

Soup
Cereal
Canned Fruit
Peanut Butter
Canned Protein
(Tuna, Chicken, Salmon
etc.)
Canned Vegetables

Baby wipes
Baby food/formula
Adult briefs
Toilet paper
Chili or Stew with Meat
Canned Tomato Product



Sponsored by Totem ASB

Drop off your items in your 1st period to be the class with the most items donated.



MARYSVILLE
FOOD BANK

DROP LOCATION

Totem Middle School 1605 7th St,
Marysville, WA 98270

TOTEM MIDDLE SCHOOL ASB PRESENTS:

MOVIE NIGHT FEATURING SHREK



MARCH 22
AFTER SCHOOL (1:40)
IN THE GYM

BUY TICKETS AT THE DOOR
\$3 WITH ASB CARD AND \$5
WITHOUT ASB CARD
CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE



SPIRIT WEEK

March 25th - 29th

March 25

Sports Day

Wear your favorite sports team jersey!
Or if you play a sport, wear your own jersey!



March 26

Twin Day

Grab a friend and dress up the same!



March 27

Famous Duos

Grab a friend and dress up as a famous duo.



March 28

Anything but a Backpack

Bring anything but a backpack to school!



March 29

Game Colors

Students wear white and Staff wear black!



★ Staff Vs Student hockey game Friday March 29th

Examples for Famous Duos day

- Finn and Jake
- Mickey and Minnie
- Mickey and Donald
- Rick and Morty
- Marlin and Dory
- Donkey and Shrek
- Chewie and Han Solo
- Calvin and Hobbs
- Scooby-Doo and Shaggy
- Daffy Duck and Bugs Bunny
- Batman and Robin
- Woody and Buzz Lightyear
- Tom and Jerry
- Mario and Luigi
- Harley Quinn and Joker

HOCKEY SHOWDOWN

Staff VS Students

MARCH 29 TMS
SPIRIT ASSEMBLY



EVAN "MR. HOCKEY" SHAW
BRANDON "CAPTAIN CRUNCH" CARSON
SHARON "THE ROOKIE" JONES
DOUG "THE GOLDEN JET" HARALIUS
SANDY "THE STREAK" SOGABE
MIKE "SUPERSTAR" SANDBERG
ERIC "THE DOMINATOR" SNYDER
BRIAN "HOUDINI" HOLLIDAY
KEVIN "CLOG THE NET" MCCONNELL

Easily apply for a discount on your electric bill

Did you know that the Snohomish County Public Utility District (PUD) offers a rate discount to qualified households?

Starting in August 2023, families who receive a Notice of Eligibility for Free or Reduced-Price Meals will be offered streamlined enrollment in the PUD's rate discount program. When you apply for the discount, simply provide a copy of your eligibility letter with your application. No other income documentation will be required.

Households that do not receive free or reduced-price meals may still qualify for a rate discount. Be sure to check your eligibility online.

Check your eligibility and sign up here:



snopud.com/discounts

In addition to the rate discount, new program participants are offered a free home energy-efficiency kit of their choice from our online PUD Marketplace. Download an application at the link above, or stop by any PUD office to enroll.

Check out these other resources to save energy and money

Last year, PUD customers saved enough energy through conservation programs to power almost 3,400 homes. Learn more about how you can save with these resources:



snopud.com/rebates



snopud.com/weatherization



marketplace.snopud.com

Customer Service: 425-783-1000, Monday-Friday 8am-5pm
snopud.com





XELLO IS HERE

HIGH SCHOOL & BEYOND PLANNING FOR EVERY
MARYSVILLE STUDENT GRADES 6-12

WHAT IS IT?

Xello is an engaging, fun-to-use software students can access online, even from their phones. It helps them create their very own, unique roadmap for future success in career and college planning.



BUILD SELF KNOWLEDGE

Through a series of interactive assessments, your child uncovers their unique interests and skills. Assessments are scientifically valid, reliable, and student-friendly.



EXPLORE OPTIONS

Students explore thousands of careers, schools, and majors. From interviews with professionals to campus demographics, the information is presented in an engaging, informative way.



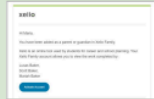
CREATE A PLAN

Your child can create dynamic, actionable plans that outline the steps needed to achieve school, career, and life goals. Xello is there every step of the way. You can see their progress in Xello if you join!



JOIN US: WATCH FOR YOUR INVITATION OCTOBER 1st

You will receive a *Welcome to Xello!* activation email to the address that we have on file. Once you click Activate Account, you will be redirected to Xello and asked to create a password. This will grant you access to view your student's progress and demo lessons.



For more information visit: [Parent/Guardian Xello Support](https://www.msd25.org/parent-guardian-xello-support)



XELLO ESTÁ AQUÍ

ESCUELA SECUNDARIA Y MÁS ALLÁ DE LA
PLANIFICACIÓN PARA CADA ESTUDIANTE DE MARYSVILLE
GRADOS 6-12

¿QUÉ ES?

Xello es un software atractivo y divertido de usar al que los estudiantes pueden acceder en línea, incluso desde sus teléfonos. Les ayuda a crear su propia hoja de ruta única para el éxito futuro en la planificación profesional y universitaria.



CONSTRUYE CONOCIMIENTO PROPIO

A través de una serie de evaluaciones interactivas, su hijo descubre sus intereses y habilidades únicos. Las evaluaciones son científicamente válidas, confiables y fáciles de usar para los estudiantes.



EXPLORE LAS OPCIONES

Los estudiantes exploran miles de carreras, escuelas y especializaciones. Desde entrevistas con profesionales hasta datos demográficos del campus, la información se presenta de forma atractiva e informativa.



CREE UN PLAN

Su hijo puede crear planes dinámicos y prácticos que describan los pasos necesarios para lograr las metas escolares, profesionales y de vida. Xello está ahí en cada paso del camino. ¡Podrás ver su progreso en Xello si te unes!



ESPERA TU INVITACIÓN EL 1 DE NOVIEMBRE

¡Recibirás una *Bienvenida a Xello!* correo electrónico de activación a la dirección que tenemos registrada. Una vez que haga clic en Activar cuenta, será redirigido a Xello y se le pedirá que cree una contraseña. Esto le otorgará acceso para ver el progreso de su estudiante y las lecciones de demostración. Para obtener más información, visite: [Soporte de Xello para padres/tutores](https://www.msd25.org/parent-guardian-xello-support)




INTRODUCING

A New Digital Volunteer Application!

www.msd25.org/volunteer

We have simplified our volunteer application process for improved accessibility.

APPLY
TODAY!

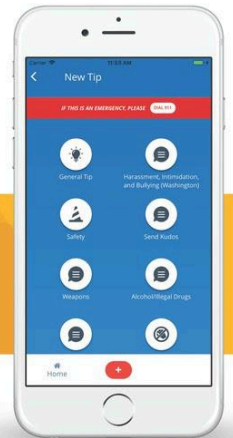


Marysville School District

Report It

Vector Alert is our district's tip reporting service. If you have information about a threat to our safety, do your part and report it! And remember, you can remain anonymous.

SUBMIT USING OUR APP



FOR EMERGENCIES, PLEASE CALL 911

EASY WAYS TO REPORT

REPORT ON:



Visit the website
<http://1248.alert1.us>



Email your Tip to
1248@alert1.us



Call to report your tip
360.799.5414



Text your Tip to
360.799.5414

- BULLYING
- INTIMIDATION
- HARASSMENT
- WEAPONS
- DRUGS
- OTHER



Our District Code is: 1248

All tips submitted are taken seriously and will be acted upon. Please be responsible with your submissions.



Apply to Serve on Totem Parent Advisory Team Today!

Help our school develop strong school-family-community partnerships and promote the active participation and engagement of parents/guardians, family, and community members in the achievement and well-being of students!

Consider applying to serve on our Parent Advisory Team!

Go to <https://forms.gle/Qbhbcj6Za3qor3TW7> to apply.



Updated Bus Pass Procedure

Starting January 2, 2024 the following bus pass procedure will be in place:

Please send a written note or email from the guardian's email address to the school with your student's full name, bus number they will be riding and with who they are riding with. We will also accept a phone call but it must be from the guardian's phone number we have documented in Skyward which office staff will use to verify. This is for safety and security reasons.

We request that all bus pass requests be submitted prior to lunch time in order to get it processed and delivered to your student before dismissal.

Thank you so much for your help in keeping our students safe!

As part of the Marysville School District's ongoing efforts to improve safety and security in our schools, we have installed "video doorbells" at our school entrances. Also called a buzzer system, a video doorbell is a connected camera at the school office entrance that notifies school officials when someone requests entry into the building.

The new entry system will change how parents, guardians, guests, and visitors access the school during regular school hours when children are present. In addition to the continuation of all exterior doors being locked, the school's front door will also be locked, and those requesting entry will be checking in using the new system.

During the times before and after school when many students enter and exit the building under adult staff supervision, the front door access will be open but locked when school is in session.

The video doorbell systems installed at schools across the district are funded from a past voter-approved capital levy.

If you have any questions about the safety and security of our schools or the video doorbell systems, please contact Greg Dennis, Director of Safety and Security, at greg_dennis@msd25.org or call (360) 965-0076.

Video Doorbells Installed at Schools Across the District





Hello families!

Welcome to Winter! Is your student prepared for cold weather?

Winter is here! With cold weather comes the need for warmer clothes, jackets and shoes. If you need help providing the appropriate winter clothing for your student please call your school office for assistance.

KEEP SICK KIDS HOME!

We are seeing an uptick of Covid, flu, cold and RSV cases.

If your student has any of the following symptoms, please keep them home (and get tested or call your doctor):

- Fever
- Sore throat
- New or worsening cough
- Ear pain
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- OR
- Unusually tired, pale, lack of appetite, or difference in appearance or behavior

** A positive Covid test requires 5 days of isolation, then your student can return to class (mask is optional, but preferred if there is a cough). Please let Totem attendance know if your student is ill.

Medication Safety!

Please make sure your medications are stored properly and locked up and away from children who could misuse them or share them with others.

Calling all 6th graders!

Please check to see if your student has up-to-date immunizations. If you have a 6th grader this year, they are required to have a Tdap booster before starting 7th grade. A quick call to your care provider will tell you if they require any more immunizations. If you have any questions, please call the Totem Health Room at 360-965-0510.

Here's to a great second semester!

Attendance: Andrea Avalos
360-965-0503

Registration: Zach Painter
360-965-0518

Health Room: Robin Edmondson
360-965-0510

Native Liaison: Terrance Sabbas
360-965-0573

Native Advocate: Lisa Fryberg
360-965-0573

ASB/ Yearbook: Melissa Erwin
360-965-0519

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Attendance Line # 360-965-0501
General School # 360-965-0500
Transportation # 360-965-0300

Counselors:
Last Name Alpha A-L:
 Serena Meidinger 360-965-0521

Last Name Alpha M-Z:
 Leanne Koenigs 360-965-0520

Administrative Team:

Principal: Keri Lindsay

Assistant Principal: Lisa Radford

Dean of Students: Jason Hippe

Dean of Academics/ Librarian:
 Roger Johnson

NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Marysville School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The following Marysville School District employees/departments are designated to address questions and complaints of discrimination:

- Civil Rights: Dr. Courtney Hill, Executive Director of Equity and Family Engagement; courtney_hill@msd25.org; 360-965-0008
- Gender Inclusivity: Dr. Courtney Hill, Executive Director of Equity and Family Engagement; courtney_hill@msd25.org; 360-965-0008
- Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying
 - Employees: Alvin Cooper, Executive Director of Human Resources; alvin_cooper@msd25.org; 360-965-0071
 - Students: Claudette Rushing, General Counsel/Executive Director of Legal and Risk Management; claudette_rushing@msd25.org; 360-965-0020
- Title IX: Claudette Rushing, General Counsel/Executive Director of Legal and Risk Management; claudette_rushing@msd25.org; 360-965-0020
- Section 504 and ADA: Dr. Michelle Roper, Executive Director of Special Education and Student Services; michelle_roper@msd25.org; 360-965-0174

Discrimination and discriminatory harassment may be reported to any school staff member or the district employee/department listed above by phone at (360) 965-0000. You also have the right to file a written complaint. Address: 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA 98270.

Policies that address these issues are 3210 “Non-Discrimination,” 5010 “Non-Discrimination and Affirmative Action,” 3205 “Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited,” 3207 “Prohibition of Harassment Intimidation and Bullying,” 3211 “Gender-Inclusive Schools” and 2162 “Education of Students with Disabilities Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973”. These Policies are available online at www.msd25.org at your school or the District’s Educational Service Center at 4220 80th Street NE, Marysville, WA, 98270.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Marysville School District complies with all federal and Washington State rules and regulations and will provide equal employment opportunity and treatment for all applicants and staff in recruitment, hiring, retention, assignment, transfer, promo, and training. Such equal employment opportunity will be provided without discrimination with respect to race, creed, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, marital status, 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. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society.

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The Marysville School District is a drug-and tobacco-free workplace.