

Little Cedars Elementary School

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Our fundamental purpose is to create a student-centered learning community
that welcomes everyone as we educate students to live in a democracy.

August 20th, 2009

Dear Families,

Welcome to the start of the 2009-10 school year! I hope that you had a wonderful summer enjoying the glorious sunshine with your children. In this "Back to School" edition of our newsletter it is our hope that you will find all of the information that you need to get the year off to a great start.

One important change that you will need to take note of is the date and format of our annual "Meet Your Teacher" event. Because of our school calendar, this event is being held much earlier this year. The opportunity for you and your child to meet their teacher before school begins this year will be on **Thursday afternoon September 3rd**. In an effort to make the event less crowded, we are splitting our student population into two sessions. Students whose last names begin with the letters A-M and our morning kindergarten students are invited to come to school from 1:30-2:00 PM. Students whose last names begin with the letters N-Z and our afternoon kindergarteners are invited to come from 2:10-2:40 PM.

The class lists will be posted at 1:15 PM and the building will be open for you to go to the classroom at 1:30 PM. If you ordered school supplies from our PTA, those may be picked up in the multipurpose room from 1:00-2:30. We encourage you to bring your child's school supplies with you when you come to meet their teacher so that they can be put away in their desks and are ready for the first day of school.

I want to thank you in advance for honoring the times I have given you to come to school. It will be a much more valuable and pleasant afternoon for you and your child if it is less crowded in our classrooms and less congested in our parking lot.

I am looking forward to seeing you and your children very soon!

Becky Brockman

Principal

Little Cedars New Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

New School Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:20 AM to 3:00 PM

Friday 8:20 AM to 1:00 PM

AM Kindergarten 8:20 PM to 11:10 PM Monday—Thursday

PM Kindergarten 12:10 PM to 3:00 PM Monday—Thursday

Half Day Kindergarten Students will attend every other Friday based on the schedule sent out in the Kindergarten newsletter.

Calendar September

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| 3rd | 1:15 p.m. Class Lists posted
1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
AM Kindergarten Students
and families with their last
names starting with the
letters A-M
2:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.
PM Kindergarten Students and
families with their last names
starting with the letters N-Z. |
| 9th | FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL |
| 9th | Cheers or Tears
AM Kindergarten Parents and
our All Day Kindergarten
Parents at 8:30 a.m. in the
Multi-Purpose Room |
| 9th | Cheers or Tears
PM Kindergarten Parents
12:20 p.m. in the Library |
| 14th | New Family Welcome
7:00 p.m. in the Library |
| 15th | Watch DOGS kick off
event 7:00 p.m. in the
Multi-Purpose Room |
| 17th | Curriculum Night
7:00 p.m. |
| 22nd | Individual Student Picture
Day |
| 22nd | PTA Board Meeting 6:00
p.m. in the Library
PTA General Meeting 7:00
p.m. in the Library |
| 29th | Vision Screening for
Kindergarten through 3rd
Grade and 5th Grade |



Meet your Teacher Event

On Thursday, September 3rd you will have an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and visit the classroom. We hope that you will also bring their school supplies with you at this time. If you have ordered school supplies through the PTA/EPI you will be able to pick those up in the foyer of the Multi-Purpose room at 1:15. They will see where they hang up their coats and back packs and get familiar with their classroom. Our morning kindergarten students can visit the classroom from 1:30-2:00 and our afternoon kindergarten students are invited to come from 2:15-2:40. After you visit the classroom you are welcome to visit our playground and we will have a school bus in our bus loading zone to give your child a chance to see what the bus looks like prior to it picking them up.

Bus Information:

To locate your child's bus information please follow these easy steps:

- Go to the Snohomish School District webpage at sno.wednet.edu
- On the left bar choose the tab *information for parents*
- From the drop down box, *choose bus schedules*
- Then choose, *click here for the 09-10 bus schedules*
- From there choose, *Little Cedars Elementary*
- Locate the street corner that is closest to your house in the am and pm
- This is the pick-up and drop off time for your child.

We know that some families are experiencing challenges during these difficult economic times. If you are in need of a backpack and school supplies for your child please contact our school office. All requests will be kept confidential.

Individual student pictures will be on
September 22nd, 2009.

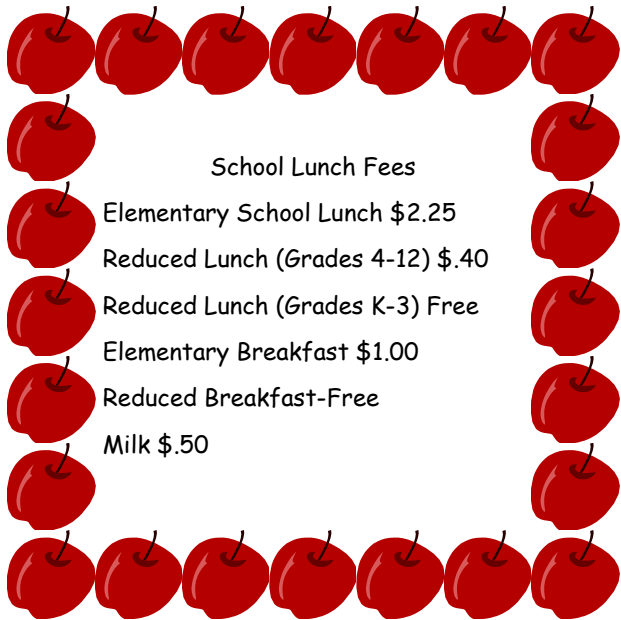
Our Little Cedars Elementary Discipline Framework is attached for you to review.

Tears or Cheers for Kindergarten Parents

Wednesday, September 9th

AM/All Day Kindergarten Parents 8:30 AM in the Cafeteria

PM Kindergarten parents 12:20 PM in the Library.



School Lunch Fees

- Elementary School Lunch \$2.25
- Reduced Lunch (Grades 4-12) \$.40
- Reduced Lunch (Grades K-3) Free
- Elementary Breakfast \$1.00
- Reduced Breakfast-Free
- Milk \$.50



Attention all Dad's and Father Figures

Watch Dog Kick off Event

Mark your calendar for the kick off night for our watch DOGS program. It will be Tuesday, September 15th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Please come and learn more about becoming a

WatchDOGS.

Little Cedars Elementary Curriculum night will be on September 17th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Please come, meet your teacher, hear about the curriculum for the upcoming year and sign up for conferences. Please remember that this is an adult only event. Thank you for your understanding!

PTA Board for the 2009-2010 year

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Our First PTA Meeting for the 2009-10 year will be on September 22nd, 2009. The Board Meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. the General Meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.



For the safety of our students it is critical that you follow these procedures when picking up your child. If you are going to get out of your car to greet your child you must park in the lot.

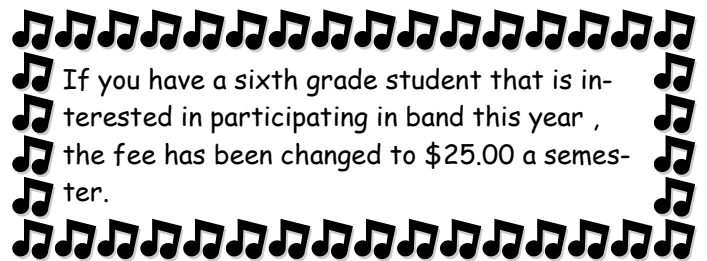
1. Do not leave your car if you are using the pick up lanes.
2. Please stay in your vehicle!
3. Pull as far forward as possible in the pick up lane. A staff member will be sure your child sees your vehicle and will help them get to your car. Please do not park in the cross walk.
4. Put your student's booster seat on the passenger side of the car so that they are not trying to get in your car where the vehicles are passing by.



All of our students transportation plans for the 2009-2010 school year will revert back to their riding the bus home. If your child will not be riding the bus home you will need to come into the office after September 1st to complete a form.



If you are a new family to our Little Cedars Community please come to our new family welcome on Monday, September 14th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in our Library.



If you have a sixth grade student that is interested in participating in band this year, the fee has been changed to \$25.00 a semester.



Please review the attached copy of our Snohomish School District Bus Expectations with your children before the first day of school.



September 2009

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