



# Muir Elementary News

October 13, 2017

## Principal News from Jeff DeGallier

We are excited to meet with our JME families next week for our Fall Goal Setting Conferences. On **October 16, 17, and 19, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday** school will dismiss at 12:00 pm. Wednesday is a regular day, 2:00 pm dismissal. Please be sure to make arrangements for next week's early dismissal and share the plans with your child so they know what to do when dismissed from school.

Fall conferences are an important opportunity for families to meet with teachers to set learning goals for each student. Student achievement is higher when families and teachers collaborate. Please find an article that might help you prepare for the conference in Parent Resources on our JME website.

We are also asking for parent input on our Parent Engagement Survey. The survey will be emailed to you from your child's teacher.

**Friday, October 20**, there will not be school for our students. This is a professional learning day for our staff. Enjoy the day with your children.

## Parents and Pastries Huge Success!

Thanks to all the families, PTSA, and our librarian, Mr. Platt for a great time at our kick-off Parents and Pastries! Families enjoyed donuts, conversation, and a free book! If you missed this event, no worries two more are scheduled during the year!



## R.O.A.R. Awards

Has your child been R.O.A.R.ing at home? If so, this might be because every day our JME staff hands out R.O.A.R. tickets to students when we catch them doing great things in our school. It could be helping to pick up garbage, it could be being nice to someone out at recess, or it might be for following the rules and walking quietly down the right hand side of the hallway during the school day. Once students receive a R.O.A.R. award they put them in their grade level's bin in the office and on Fridays we choose one ticket per grade level to celebrate with a group picture taken, certificate, and pencil given to the student.

Please celebrate your child's success if he/she is caught R.O.A.R.ing!



## Watch D.O.G.S. Volunteer Program

**Watch D.O.G.S.**® ('Dads of Great Students) is an innovative program being used by schools across America which helps them to be positively impacted by the committed involvement of fathers and father-figures in their student's life. Our goal is to have you spend at least one day this year at the school to be a positive male role model and to provide an extra set of eyes and ears. Spend a half/full day at John Muir experiencing and helping our John Muir students. Part of the day is spent in your child's classroom and other parts are spent helping in various ways across the school. Dads, granddads, uncles, step-dads and adult brothers . . . you can all join in and make a difference with students! Here is the link for volunteer application, <http://www.lwsd.org/get-involved/volunteer-programs/volunteering-in-lwsd> and PTSA Watch Dog Coordinator, Megan DeJarnett, [m4edwards@hotmail.com](mailto:m4edwards@hotmail.com).



## Lunch Buddy Volunteers

Our JME Lunch Buddy program is a way for adults in the community to help local elementary students succeed. Once a week an adult mentor has lunch with a student. They may even play a game, or go out to recess, or just talk. The adults are their confidante, friend, and buddy.

If you are interested please contact our Lunch Buddy Coordinator, Gail Anderson, [ganderson@lwsd.org](mailto:ganderson@lwsd.org).



## District Information on Quest and Title 1

Lake Washington School District (LWSD) offers two different Quest programs for students in grades two through five. The full-time program places students in a Quest classroom full-time, five days a week, while the enrichment pull-out program enables students to attend a Quest pull-out classroom one day a week. LWSD also offers school-based Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Highly Capable (K-3HC) services for students in those grades.

**Applications must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on October 27, 2017**

<https://www.lwsd.org/programs-and-services/accelerated-programs/elementary-quest-highly-capable>.

**Title I - Notice of Parents Rights to Request Teacher Qualifications.**

Visit this link: <http://muir.lwsd.org/academics/title-i>

**Title I - Notice of Citizen Complaint Procedures.**

For more info: <http://www.k12.wa.us/TitleI/CitizenComplaint.aspx>

## Calendar

- Conference Week - October 16, 17, 19 school is out at Noon
- October 18th—All Reflections projects due!
- October 19th, 10:19 a.m. State-wide earthquake drill. Students will be asked to, "Drop, cover and hold", then will practice evacuating the building in a safe and orderly manner.
- October 20th, No School, teacher LEAP day
- October 25th, Unity Day - Wear orange to show we're together against bullying

More events can be found on the [Muir Tandem Online Calendar](#)

## Quick Links

Muir: <http://muir.lwsd.org>

LWSD: [www.lwsd.org](http://www.lwsd.org)

PTSA: <http://muirptsa.ourschoolpages.com/Home>

Peachjar: [Community flyers](#)

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