

# COMMUNITY LINK



SHELTON SCHOOL  
DISTRICT

SUMMER 2021

We are extremely excited to welcome you back for the 2021-22 school year as we return to in-person instruction five days a week. The opportunity for our staff to be in the presence of our students and learn alongside them every day brings many feelings, including the gratitude of being in a profession that allows us to share in the many gifts students bring as they grow.

The health and safety of our students and staff remain our top priority as we prepare to welcome everyone back to school. To value your health and safety as well as the greater community, we are following guidance from State agencies, including the Washington State Department of Health, as we begin the 2021-22 school year. When we are all able to follow the health and safety requirements for PK-12 public education consistently, we help mitigate the exposure and transmission of COVID-19. By doing so, we can help keep students and staff safe at school, supporting powerful in-person instruction.

Despite the many challenges the Shelton School District has faced due to the pandemic, we have continued to push forward, creating new opportunities for families, propelling our district towards higher achievements.

The Shelton Academies now have 63 distinct Industry Recognized Credentials (IRCs) available in classes as well as 18 classes that offer a potential for 72 hours of college credit. Beyond the Academies, students have access to an additional 15 CTE courses that provide the opportunity for 62 hours of college credit and SHS has eight AP course options to further college credit accrual. The number of IRCs and college credit offerings will increase with the opening of the new Manufacturing, Engineering, and Technology (MET) Academy building in the 2nd trimester of the 21-22 school year.

Olympic College is also partnering with the Shelton School District to offer Cedar High School at the Olympic College Shelton campus for the 21-22 school year, serving 100 students. Cedar High School students will have the opportunity to take college-level courses that can lay the groundwork for certificates, or even an associate or bachelor's degree. Students will complete required high school courses, taught in an interdisciplinary manner, and will have the option to take exploratory courses in four potential areas of interest that emphasize Leadership, Cybersecurity, Human Services, and Education.

The Facilities & Construction Department has been busy working on summer projects, including deep cleaning, painting, and numerous repairs and upgrades. Additionally, we look forward to the recent athletic projects at Shelton High School getting full use. Students can now enjoy upgraded P.E. and athletic locker rooms, a new wrestling room, a weight training facility, Highclimber Stadium restrooms, a new track surface, and new turf fields for football, baseball, and fastpitch.

While many other districts are still in negotiations, Shelton School District and its employee bargaining groups for teachers (Shelton Education Association) and para educators and food service workers (Shelton Educational Support Staff) successfully negotiated 2-year contracts beginning with the 2021-22 school year. This year, we were able to recall all 43 para educators who were laid off last year.

The future of our schools are bright and we are excited to see how these changes benefit our students for years to come. Our successes would not be possible without your kind support.

Lastly, I wanted to introduce myself and share my gratitude for being able to serve as your superintendent. As an educator who started in the field of education as a research assistant at the University of Washington, then a special education teacher in the Shoreline School District, and finally as a principal and central office leader in the Seattle School District, I am impressed by how committed and resourceful the professionals are here in the Shelton School District, and I cannot wait to meet all of you, students, staff, and families, throughout this school year.

Again, I am so fortunate to serve as your superintendent. Let's make this a great school year!

Sincerely,  
Wyeth Jessee, Superintendent



**WELCOME  
TO THE  
2021  
-  
2022  
SCHOOL  
YEAR!**



**GRADUATION MATTERS SHELTON**  
Ready for Life

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## JOIN US!

Job announcements are posted, as available, on the Shelton School District website at [www.sheltonschoools.org](http://www.sheltonschoools.org).



## TRANSLATION SERVICES

It is our intent to communicate as much as possible in a language accessible at home, and to have interpreters at school functions. This includes parent conferences, school events, etc. Please contact Jean Fairbrother with any translation or interpreter requests.

Este es nuestro intento para comunicarlos lo mejor posible en un lenguaje accesible en casa y tener intérpretes en los eventos escolares. Estoy incluye conferencias de padres, eventos escolares, etc. Por favor contactar a Jean Fairbrother con cualquier solicitud de traducción o interpretación.

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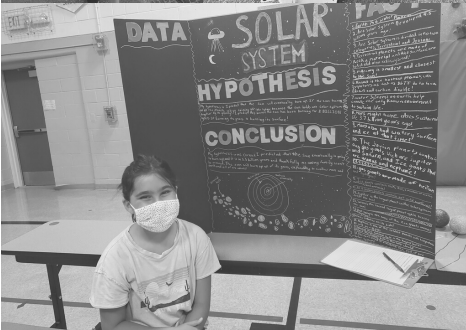
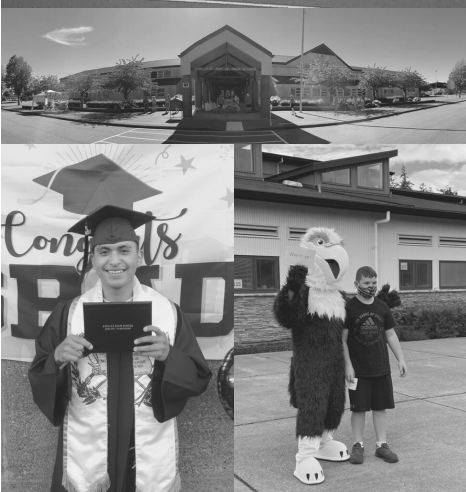
**Phone/Teléfono:** 360-426-1687

## WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU!

We strive to support our students by providing additional assistance to close the achievement gap and ensure 100% of our students graduate. The Student & Family Resource Center is designed to assist students and families and connect them with the resources necessary to succeed in school and the community, including clothing, hygiene items, housing resources, and more. Need help? Give us a call!

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# OUR SCHOOLS

## **Bordeaux Elementary School (BDX)**

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Español - Wendy Lankelis: (360) 545-7310  
Principal - Kyle O'Neil: [koneil@sheltonschools.org](mailto:koneil@sheltonschools.org)  
Assistant Principal - Paula Canady - [pcanady@sheltonschools.org](mailto:pcanady@sheltonschools.org)

## **Evergreen Elementary School (EVG)**

English - (360) 426-8281  
Español - Lucrecia Hernandez: (360) 463-4393  
Principal - Amber Targus: [atargus@sheltonschools.org](mailto:atargus@sheltonschools.org)  
Dean of Students - Ron Goodale: [rgoodale@sheltonschools.org](mailto:rgoodale@sheltonschools.org)

## **Mt. View Elementary School (MTV)**

English - (360) 426-8564  
Español - Ivette Salamanca: (360) 545-7136  
Principal - Mary Johnson: [mjohnson@sheltonschools.org](mailto:mjohnson@sheltonschools.org)  
Assistant Principal - Alex Brownsmith: [abrownsmith@sheltonschools.org](mailto:abrownsmith@sheltonschools.org)

## **Olympic Middle School (OMS)**

English - (360) 462-6671  
Español - Cleyri Zacarias: (360) 280-3539  
Principal - Chelsea Cornwall-Brady: [ccornwall-brady@sheltonschools.org](mailto:ccornwall-brady@sheltonschools.org)  
Assistant Principal - Madelene Cundall: [mcundall@sheltonschools.org](mailto:mcundall@sheltonschools.org)

## **Oakland Bay Jr. High School (OBJH)**

English - (360) 426-7991  
Español - Maria Vazquez Soto: (360) 545-2189  
Principal - Mario Juves: [mjuves@sheltonschools.org](mailto:mjuves@sheltonschools.org)  
Assistant Principal - Rachel Torazzi: [rtorazzi@sheltonschools.org](mailto:rtorazzi@sheltonschools.org)

## **Shelton High School (SHS)**

English - (360) 426-4471  
Español - Bill Hutchinson: (360) 432-2148  
Principal - Bruce Kipper: [bkipper@sheltonschools.org](mailto:bkipper@sheltonschools.org)  
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Assistant Principal - June Dhamers: [jdhamers@sheltonschools.org](mailto:jdhamers@sheltonschools.org)  
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Español - Betty Uriostegui: (360) 490-1235  
Principal - Stacey Anderson: [sanderson@sheltonschools.org](mailto:sanderson@sheltonschools.org)

## **Cedar High School (CHS)**

English - (360) 432-5492  
Español - Betty Uriostegui: (360) 490-1235  
Principal - Amber Hosford: [ahosford@sheltonschools.org](mailto:ahosford@sheltonschools.org)



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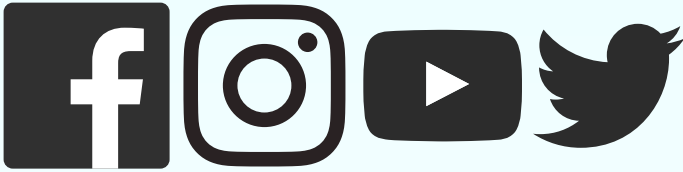
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# STAY CONNECTED

Do you want to receive SSD Community Link newsletters in your email? Send an email titled "Community Link" to [goodnews@sheltonschools.org](mailto:goodnews@sheltonschools.org) and begin receiving your copy!

Opt in to receive text messages by texting "YES" to 67587

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# SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

School Board Meeting are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month starting at 6:00 PM. Please visit our website for meeting locations.

## NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Shelton 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 employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: **Title IX Coordinator:** Linda Arnold, Executive Dir. of Human Resources - 700 S. First Street, Shelton, WA 98584 - 360-426-1687 - Email: [larnold@sheltonschools.org](mailto:larnold@sheltonschools.org) **Section 504/ADA Coordinator:** Jenny Lafrenier, Director of Special Services - 700 S. First Street, Shelton, WA 98584 - 360-426-2151 - Email: [jlafrenier@sheltonschools.org](mailto:jlafrenier@sheltonschools.org) **Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator:** Linda Arnold, Executive Dir. of Human Resources - 700 S. First Street, Shelton, WA 98584 - 360-426-1687 - Email: [larnold@sheltonschools.org](mailto:larnold@sheltonschools.org). Complaint procedures can be found on the District's website by clicking on the "Discrimination Complaint Procedures" link on the left-hand side of the page. [www.sheltonschools.org](http://www.sheltonschools.org)

## SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Students and staff are protected against sexual harassment by anyone in any school program or activity, including on the school campus, on the school bus, or off-campus during a school-sponsored activity. Sexual harassment is unwelcome behavior or communication that is sexual in nature when: A student or employee is led to believe that he or she must submit to unwelcome sexual conduct or communications in order to gain something in return, such as a grade, a promotion, a place on a sports team, or an educational or employment decision, or The conduct substantially interferes with a student's educational performance or creates an intimidating or hostile educational or employment environment. Examples of Sexual Harassment: Pressuring a person for sexual favors; Unwelcome touching of a sexual nature; Writing graffiti of a sexual nature; Distributing sexually explicit texts, e-mails, or pictures; Making sexual jokes, rumors, or suggestive remarks; Physical violence, including rape and sexual assault. You can report sexual harassment to any school staff member or to the district's Title IX Officer, who is listed above. You also have the right to file a complaint. For a copy of your district's sexual harassment policy and procedure, contact your school or district office, or view Policy 3205 online here: <https://www.sheltonschools.org/district/policy/procedure>

## GENDER-INCLUSIVE SCHOOLS POLICY AND PROCEDURE NOTIFICATION

Shelton School District's Gender-Inclusive Schools Policy (3211) and Procedures (3211P) and Form (3211F) may be found on the District's website by clicking on the following link: <https://www.sheltonschools.org/district/policy/procedure>. Copies of the policy/procedures/forms may also be obtained by contacting the District Office at 360-426-1687, or in person at 700 S. 1st Street, Shelton, WA 98584.

## REGULATION OF WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

It is unlawful for a person to carry onto, or to possess on, public or private elementary or secondary school premises, school provided transportation, or areas of facilities while being used exclusively by public or private schools, any firearm or any dangerous weapon (RCW 91.41.280, RCW 69.50.435, REC 28A 21D.311(2)). For more information and for the complete policy and procedures regarding weapons on school premises, see School Board Policy No. 4210, which can be found on the District's website at <https://www.sheltonschools.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?temid=20117844>

## TEACHER AND PARA EDUCATOR QUALIFICATION NOTICE

Parents can request information regarding the professional qualifications of their students' classroom teachers and para educators. An online publication titled, Parent's Right To Be Informed, is available in English and Spanish at: <http://www.k12.wa.us/Title/ParentFamilyEngagement/ParentsGuardians.aspx>. Information regarding teacher and para educator qualifications can also be obtained by contacting Linda Arnold, Executive Director of Human Resources at [larnold@sheltonschools.org](mailto:larnold@sheltonschools.org), or by calling 360-426-1687.

## PUBLIC RECORDS

Pursuant to RCW 42.17, parents and other members of the public have the right to inspect and copy public records retained by the District, including records pertaining to employee discipline, unless the records are exempt from public disclosure under state law. To request records, contact Linda Arnold, the Records Coordinator at 360-426-1687, or [larnold@sheltonschools.org](mailto:larnold@sheltonschools.org).

## NON-DISCRIMINATION NOTIFICATION - CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

The Shelton School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, disability, or age in its program or activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The Shelton School District offers classes in many career and technical education program areas, including courses that span a wide variety of disciplines that lead to industry/business and college related to healthcare, math, environmental science, etc., under its open admissions policy. For more information about CTE course offerings and admissions criteria, contact Don Welander, Career-Connected Learning Coordinator at 700 S. 1st St., Shelton, WA 98584, 360-426-1687, [dwelander@sheltonschools.org](mailto:dwelander@sheltonschools.org). Lack of English language proficiency will not be a barrier to admission and participation in career and technical education programs. The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Linda Arnold, Exec. Director of Human Resources, 700 S. 1st Street, Shelton, WA 98584, 360-426-1687; [larnold@sheltonschools.org](mailto:larnold@sheltonschools.org).

## CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

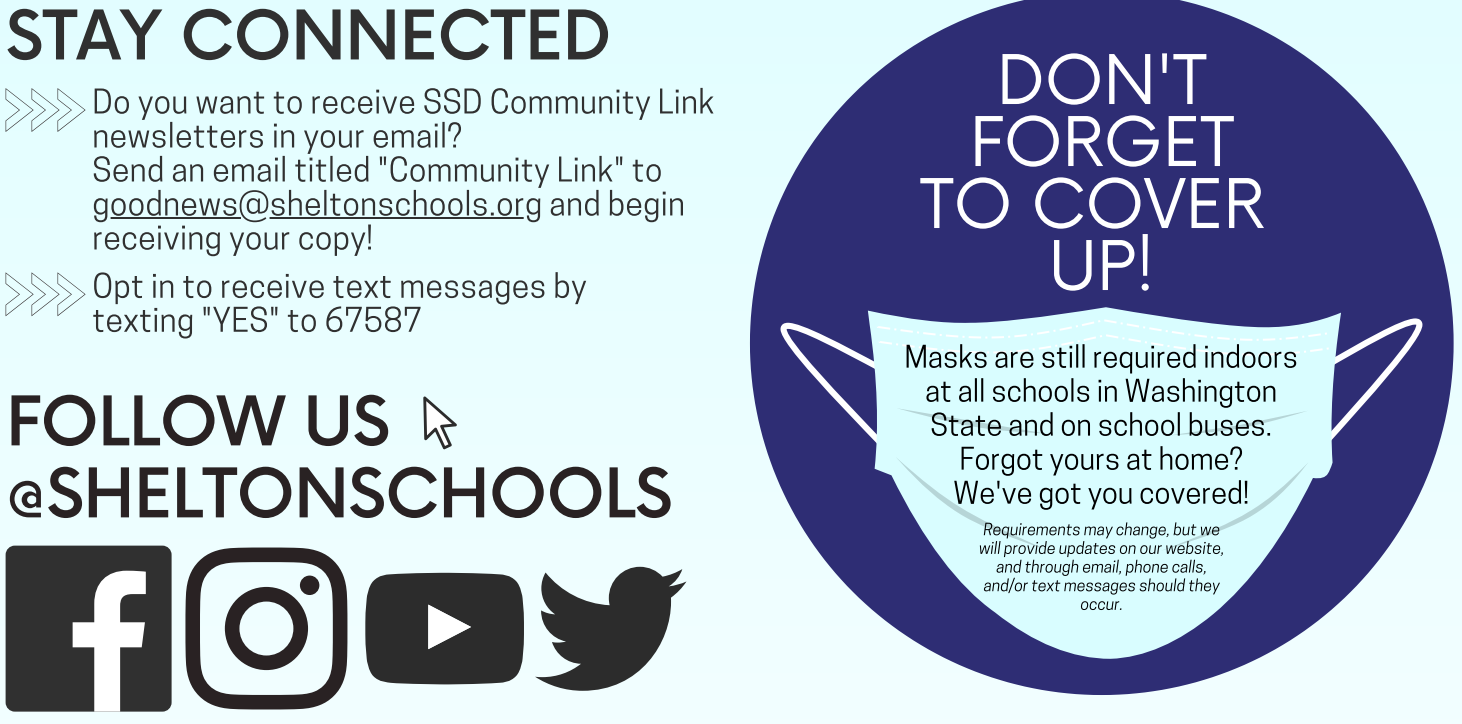
In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English. To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.asc.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.asc.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; fax: (202) 690-7442; or email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov). This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

## FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA) ANNUAL NOTICE

Shelton School District may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with District Procedure No. 3231. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the District to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include A playbill, showing student's role in a drama production; The annual yearbook; Honor roll or other recognition lists; Graduation programs; and Sports activity sheets. Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws require the District to provide military recruiters, upon request, with three directory information categories: names, addresses, and telephone listings unless parents have advised the District that they do not want their student's information disclosed without prior written consent. If you do not want the District to disclose directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the District in writing by September 10th of each year, or within ten days of a student's enrollment. The District has designated the following information as directory information: Student's name; Photograph; Video; Address; Telephone number; Date and place of birth; Dates of attendance; Participation in officially recognized activities and sports; Weight and height of members of athletic teams; Diplomas and awards received; The most recent previous school attended. Other information that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. The actual residential addresses of participants in the state Address Confidentiality Program will not be available for release as directory information. For more information, please access the District's Policy/Procedures #3231 at the following website: [www.sheltonschools.org](http://www.sheltonschools.org). Click on School Board/Policies/3000s-Students/3231

## COMPLAINTS RELATED TO FEDERAL PROGRAMS

View the Federal Programs Complaint Process flyer by visiting <https://www.k12.wa.us/sites/default/files/public/title/familyinvolvement/pubdocs/handoutcitizencomplaintschoolstictesdsbrgrantee.pdf>



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