

## THANK YOU, VOTERS

Thank you for taking the time to vote for our replacement levy. The levy provides about 11% of the district's budget to support programs, services, and day-to-day operational expenses. With the passing of the replacement levy, we can continue our trajectory forward in providing access and opportunities for our students to discover, research. and launch their own best futures. -Wyeth Jessee, Superintendent

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## **CLASSROOM LIBRARIES EXPAND TO GRADES 7-12**

The 2022-23 school year has been an exciting time for students and staff as we have established classroom libraries! Over the summer, the first round of books was ordered and classroom libraries were established.



Community Link

Over the fall, educators gave their feedback on what other books they would like to see in their classrooms, which were then delivered in March. Each kindergarten through 6th-grade class now has between 480-680 books, including 250-350 books in Spanish for our dual-language classrooms!

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Classroom Libraries cont.

One of our priorities as a district is providing High-Quality Literacy Instruction by cultivating a culture of literacy. Our hope is that every student has a love of literacy and sees themselves as a reader and and writer and every student participates actively as a reader and writer in a literacy-rich classroom.

Research shows that teens who are avid readers have greater academic outcomes and better selfregulation skills. When students see themselves as readers, it builds their curiosity and can transport them to different places and times. When students see themselves as writers, they are empowered to communicate and express their learning.



This spring, we are going through the process to expand classroom libraries to 7th – 12thgrade classrooms. The district is working with a group of educators, to build an initial order list for classroom libraries. We anticipate going through a similar process with feedback cycles to continue to add to our classroom libraries based on interest and need.

# SUMMER PROGRAMS

### Grades K-4 Summer School Program

Summer School focuses on supporting current kindergarten through fourth-grade students (K-4) who are not meeting gradelevel standards in reading and/or math. This summer program will support the momentum of your child's progress toward gradelevel standards in a fun and motivational setting.

- Location: Evergreen
- Elementary School Dates: June 20th July 27th (Mondays-Thursdays) • Note: Observed holidays:
  - June 19th/July 3rd & 4th
- Time: 8:00 AM 12:30 PM
- Enrollment Deadline: Friday, May 26th, 2023

**Questions:** Please contact Summer School Coordinator: **Kelly Manchester** kmanchestor@sheltonschools.org

### Grades 5-8 Summer School **Program**

Summer School focuses on supporting current fifth through eighth-grade students (5-8) who are not meeting grade-level standards in reading and/or math. This summer program will support the momentum of your child's progress toward gradelevel standards in a fun and motivational setting.

- Location: Olympic Middle School
- Dates: June 20th July 27th (Mondays-Thursdays) • Note: Observed holidays: June 19th/July 3rd & 4th
- Time: 8:00 AM 12:30 PM
- Enrollment Deadline: Friday. May 26th, 2023

**Questions:** Please contact Summer School Coordinator: **Jennifer Farley** jfarley@sheltonschools.org

### **High School** Summer School Program

Summer School focuses on credit recovery for current ninth through twelfth-grade students (9-12). Students will be working with our Peak-FuelEd online program and will be supported by content area teachers to earn credits they have already attempted.

- Location: Shelton High School
- Dates: June 20th July 27th (Mondays-Thursdays) Note: Observed holidays: June 19th/July 3rd & 4th
- Time: 7:30 AM 12:00 PM
- Application for Enrollment: An online application will be emailed to families.

**Ouestions:** Please contact your student's counselor

- SHS: Aaron Joseph AJoseph@sheltonschools.org
- CEDAR: Susie Wirzbicki SHWirzbicki@sheltonschools.org
- CHOICE: Bracken Budge Bbudge@sheltonschools.org

# **ALL STUDENTS DECLARE AN ACADEMY**

March 1st was a big day for Shelton High School Students as they celebrated the first-ever Academy Declaration Day! Each student declared an Academy by choosing a course of study based on a specific theme or academic focus. The Academy selection process is student-driven. Students choose an academy based on their interests and continue to participate in core content classes as well as electives such as music and PE.

Shelton High School houses four academic academies: Business, Finance & Hospitality (BFH), Health Sciences (HSA), Manufacturing, Engineering & Technology (MET), and Natural Resources (NRS). Students can also enroll in Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJRTOC) and commit to an additional academy.

Through the Academies, students get career and college exposure while learning through the lens of their academy. Meaning they can learn all about Natural Resources on their way to graduation.

Shelton High School is also excited to introduce other academic options for students, such as ten new Advanced Placement (AP) courses and two Pre-AP courses for the 2023-24 school year! AP courses provide the opportunity for students to earn college credit while in high school.





One of our priorities as a district is to provide safe and welcoming environments by decreasing student discipline rates.

We are pleased to see a significant drop in discipline rates including exclusionary practices since the beginning of the year and look forward to seeing this number continue to drop as we provide more social-emotional support and wrap-around services for students.





## **POSTAL CUSTOMER**

## **CHOICE High School's Graduation Ceremony**

June 1, 2023, 6:30 p.m. Shelton High School Performing Arts Center 3737 N Shelton Springs Rd

## Cedar High School's Graduation Ceremony

June 2, 2023, 6:30 p.m. Shelton High School Performing Arts Center 3737 N Shelton Springs Rd

## Shelton High School's Graduation Ceremony

June 10, 2023, 11:00 a.m. Marcus Pavilion at St. Martin's University 5300 Pacific Ave SE Lacey, WA 98503 \*Admission is by

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