

Message from the Superintendent

Welcome to a new school year in the Sumner School District! In planning for this new school year the District's Board of Directors approved a balanced budget, based upon the revenue we will receive from state and local taxpayers. Significant reductions in the State budget were made that have a negative financial impact to the Sumner School District for the coming year. Despite the challenges, as a District we are committed to living within our means. Further, we know the District cannot shift the burden of our State's financial crisis to families, parent groups and the business community to remedy reductions in funding for public schools. We are taking a close look at what it costs our families to send a child to school. One of our goals is to be aware of all costs to students and families for school-related activities. In the coming year, we are asking our principals and teachers to be mindful of what it is we are asking of families in dollars and cents.

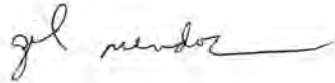
We see this as an opportunity to decide what traditions, events and activities are important, and what might be streamlined or eliminated? We must revisit what options, if any, we offer to families and students who are unable to pay for things like school spirit wear or field trips. While it might be easier to consider these purchases as "optional," there is a negative impact to student and family affect when a child does not feel fully included in school. This is an opportunity to examine and redefine our relationships with families, the local community and business owners and to reinvent parents as partners in our schools.

Working in professional learning communities, teachers are committed to ensuring all students meet standards. At every level student test scores show steady improvement. These successes are due in part to the support families provide to our classrooms and teachers. Our schools have strong parent groups and community volunteers who provide a foundation for educational excellence. Each day volunteers help students build important skills, enhance instruction and extend classroom activities. Some community members provide connections to business and forge business partnerships bringing resources to the school and important

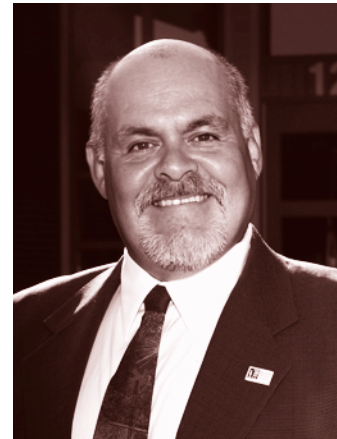
connections for students outside the classroom. Now more than ever, the support of parents and community is important to the success of public schools.

Families and community make a difference to children in our schools and to the effectiveness of our school district. This is a cornerstone of the Sumner School District's rich legacy. Through collaborative school-community efforts, with parents as partners in education, we will continue to strive for increased student achievement. When parents are involved in children's learning, at school and at home, schools work better and students learn more.

I hope the coming school year is both a positive and a productive one, which includes challenges, opportunities and celebrations for all students.



Sincerely,
Dr. Gil Mendoza
Superintendent



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The Board of Directors of the Sumner School District meets at least one Wednesday each month in the Board Room located at the Central Office, 1202 Wood Ave., Sumner.

The Sumner School Board welcomes the public to its meetings and encourages input. Time is scheduled for audience comment at the start of the meeting. Meetings are open to the public, except when the Board convenes into executive session. Visitors who wish to address the Board should use the sign-up sheet provided. Comments from the public are taken under Board advisement and may or may not receive action at a future meeting.

Mission

We believe it is our responsibility to ensure the best education for all of our students.

We believe in success for students and staff every day.

Academic Calendar 2009-2010

HIGH STANDARDS

Families and students in the Sumner School District have high expectations. As educators, we also think that it's important to set high expectations for our young people. We also believe that students should be held responsible for their success in school. We have established goals for our students that reach beyond those established by educators across the state. We expect that our students will develop and apply knowledge and basic skills in the areas of reading, mathematics, science, history and geography. Our students are expected to develop and to use leadership skills, to have the ability to work with others and to become problem solvers. Students are expected to set goals, to communicate effectively and to produce quality work.

State Learner Goals

Goals

Students should:

Read with comprehension, write with skill and communicate effectively and responsibly in a variety of ways and settings.

Know and apply core concepts and principles of mathematics; social, physical and life sciences; civics and history; arts; and health and fitness.

Think analytically, logically and creatively and integrate experience and knowledge to form reasoned judgments and solve problems.

Understand the importance of work and how performance, effort and decisions directly affect future career and educational opportunities.

WEDNESDAY 90-MINUTE LATE STARTS

Families should plan for a modified school day every Wednesday. All students will begin school 90 minutes later than their regular school start time on Wednesdays.

SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE

Bonney Lake, Emerald Hills, Maple Lawn, McAlder, and Victor Falls elementaries

School start time: 8:45 a.m.

School dismissal time: 3:10 p.m.

Wednesday late start time: 10:15 a.m.

Crestwood, Daffodil Valley, and Liberty Ridge elementaries

School start time: 9:20 a.m.

School dismissal time: 3:45 p.m.

Wednesday late start time: 10:50 a.m.

Red and Blue Kindergarten

Half-time kindergarten students will attend school every other Wednesday, in addition to their regular Monday/Tuesday (Red) or Thursday/Friday (Blue) schedule. A complete calendar for half-time kindergarten students is available at your child's school.

Lakeridge, Mountain View, Sumner middle schools, Bonney Lake and Sumner high schools.

School start time: 7:35 a.m.

School dismissal time: 2:20 p.m.

Wednesday late start time: 9:05 a.m.

A Spanish-language translation of the information in this calendar is available at your school office.

Una traducción española de la información en este calendario está obtenible en la oficina de su escuela.

SafeSchools LifeLine

Keep Schools Safe

Report unsafe or threatening activity by calling the toll-free SafeSchools LifeLine anonymous tip line: 1-866-LIVE TIP ext. 161

A Safety Line for Our District

As a student or parent, you have the power to keep our school district safe. Administrators rely on you to be their eyes and ears letting them know when a member of our schools or a district building is in danger.

The SafeSchools LifeLine is a completely anonymous, toll-free tip line that students and parents can access 24/7/365 any time you need to tip off school administration about a potential crisis, such as:

- School Violence (weapons, bomb threats)
- Fights
- School Damage (vandalism, theft)
- Suicide
- Physical and Sexual Abuse or Harassment
- Gang Activity
- Drug & Alcohol Issues
- Discrimination

District Programs and Services

The Sumner School District strives to ensure success for all students after high school whether they plan to get jobs, attend community or technical colleges, or enroll at four-year universities. All students are encouraged to follow career paths that continue into their 13th year, the year after they graduate from high school. The following programs and services are offered to students and their families as they prepare for life after high school.

ACADEMICS

Strong programs are the foundation of our schools. In the Sumner School District educators recognize the importance of the new basics reading, writing, mathematics, technology and science. We know well-rounded students are more likely to meet with success after high school so we offer extra-curricular programs and activities that extend learning opportunities.




Collins Alternative School is available to high school students who lack credits, have poor attendance or who otherwise have difficulty in regular school programs. Call **360.829.1182** for additional information.

ATHLETICS

Participation in athletics can be an important part of a student's education most important is the development of positive character traits including sportsmanship, leadership and teamwork skills. High school sports include fastpitch, baseball, track, soccer, tennis, swimming, wrestling, basketball, volleyball, gymnastics, golf, football, cross country and water polo. Middle school sports include football, girls soccer, coed tennis, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, gymnastics, track, fastpitch and baseball.

CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

Our outstanding food services program provides nutritious meals to students.

-  Elementary students pay \$2.25 for lunch and secondary students pay \$2.50
-  Elementary students pay \$1.25 for breakfast and secondary students pay \$1.50
-  Free and reduced-price meals are available to students who qualify.

Call **253.891.6450** for information. Our office now accepts debit/credit card payments for student lunch accounts by phone. We also offer a monthly automatic payment plan.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Office of Communications & Community Relations serves as a link between the Sumner School District and its neighbors; students and families, residents, business and civic organizations and local government in the Sumner/Bonney Lake area.

Being a good neighbor and a valued member of the community is one of our highest priorities. It is our goal to develop and enhance the Sumner School District's relationships with a wide range of constituent groups and to foster a positive relationship between the District and the community.

The Communications Office publishes a variety of materials throughout the year, including community newsletters, brochures, the District calendar and a comprehensive financial report. Each school publishes a newsletter and a performance report. The District hosts school tours and other special events throughout the year for families and community members. For more information, contact the Community Relations Office at **253.891.6070**, or visit the Web site for online publications and announcements.

If you don't want your child to appear in a photograph or video taken by district employees or members of the media, please notify your child's school in writing.

DRAMA AND MUSIC

Our schools offer music and chorus classes at the elementary, middle and high school levels. Quality instruction and dedicated staff and students result in quality drama and music programs. The 800-seat Performing Arts Center (PAC) showcases entertaining student and community programs. For information about performances call **253.891.5560** or visit the PAC calendar Web site.

EARLY LEARNING INITIATIVE

Sumner/Bonney Lake Early Learning Linkages builds partnerships among childcare providers, preschools, parents, Sumner School District and the community to develop an atmosphere of respect and a common continuum of learning for children. The Early Learning Linkages program provides ongoing communication between the early learning community and the school district, hosts an annual workshop for childcare providers, and assists in promoting kindergarten registration and screening information to families. Parents and caregivers have access to the support, information and services, including a variety of quality early learning opportunities for their children. Our goal is that all children enter kindergarten ready for success in school and schools will be ready for entering kindergarteners. For more information contact **253.891.4550**.

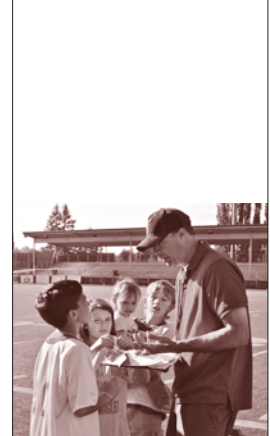
HIGHLY CAPABLE PROGRAMS

The Sumner School District offers advanced and extended classes for students in grades 3-8 who qualify. Testing for gifted programs takes place in January. Please see your child's teacher for recommendation forms.

HEALTH SERVICES

Our health services program provides immediate temporary care for injured or ill students at school. Medical or accident insurance does not automatically cover students while at school. Group insurance is available at a reasonable price; contact your child's school for details.

Health screenings for hearing and vision are completed on students in kindergarten through



grade 3, and grades 5 and 7. Parents are notified of any health concerns detected during screenings.

Under state law, the parent of any child who has a life-threatening condition or allergy is required to complete an emergency care plan and/or an anaphylaxis plan. School district policy must allow for any student to possess and self-administer medication to treat the student's asthma or anaphylaxis if specified conditions are met. Furthermore, for conditions that require medical procedures to be performed at school, a parent must submit a medication or treatment order to the school. Students with life-threatening conditions will not be allowed to attend school without an emergency care plan and/or an anaphylaxis plan. Students with diabetes need to have an Individual Health Care Plan developed. Please contact the Health Services Office, **253.891.6051** to set up an appointment.

THE DR. DONALD A. EISMANN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME AT SUMNER HIGH SCHOOL

The comprehensive International Baccalaureate (IB) program challenges students with rigorous academic work and will incorporate all of the core academic courses, elective options and the fine arts. Due to the caliber of the program, many colleges offer up to a full year of college credit for students who earn the prestigious IB diploma. As universities have individual policies, it is important to check with prospective colleges to determine credits they offer for the IB Diploma.

KINDERGARTEN

Children who will be five years old on or before August 31 are eligible to attend kindergarten. Parents can register their children at their neighborhood elementary school, with current immunization records and proof of age.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

State law and District policy govern the administration of medication to students at school. Health room staff can only administer oral

medications. Before students may take prescription or over-the-counter medicine at school, the school must have a signed and dated permission statement from the student's physician and parent. All medication must be delivered by a parent or guardian in the original container and must be stored in the office or health room. Bee sting medication must be in a form that can be self-administered, unless otherwise specified by a physician.

PARKS & RECREATION

The Sumner School District and the cities of Bonney Lake and Sumner cooperatively offer recreation programs for youth and adults at a variety of locations throughout the District, including schools and community centers. Recreation activity schedules and programs are published quarterly and posted on the Web site, call **253.891.6500** for details.

SCHOOL MESSAGES

Families may subscribe to School Messages for free e-mail news and information regarding early dismissals, late arrivals, school closures, and parent alerts. Visit your child's school Web page to subscribe.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Sumner School District offers speech, vision and hearing services; occupational and physical therapy; mobility training and counseling, and other necessary assistance to children with disabilities. Additional programs include Title/LAP and ELL/Bilingual for children with special needs. Disabled secondary students are offered transition services that focus on employment, post-secondary education, independent living, adult services, community participation and self advocacy. For more information call, **253.891.6040**.

STARR

The Sumner Tobacco and Alcohol Risk Reduction (STARR) Project is dedicated to promoting student safety and the prevention of youth risk behaviors through a variety of school and community based initiatives. The Communities for Families Coalition, Readiness to Learn Program, Positive Steps Truancy Reduction Project, staff and community education events as well as substance abuse counseling services

are available through the department's various local, state and federal grants. For more information, please visit the Web site or call the STARR Project office at **253.891.6066**.

SUMNER FAMILY CENTER

Offering a wide variety of health and human services programs, resources, referrals and information, the Center's goal is to work in partnership with the community to strengthen and assist families within the district. To obtain more information about programs, classes and special events, call **253.891.6535**, or visit the family center at the Daffodil Valley Elementary campus in Portable 1.

SWIMMING POOL

Students and community members participate in pool programs including high school classes, school and private swim teams, a water polo club, water aerobics and special events. The pool offers therapy programs for special-needs students, swimming lessons, recreational and lap swims. For classes and schedules, call **253.891.5550**.

TRANSPORTATION

The Transportation Department employs over 85 people dedicated to the safe transportation of students. It is our # 1 priority.

Our buses travel over 650,000 miles each year, transporting over 4,000 students each day. Each year a safety team from The Washington State Patrol inspects our buses. Sumner has received an Outstanding rating for the over 12 years. This reflects the dedication and the skills of our mechanics.

Routing specialists work daily to improve bus service and maintain efficiency. These changes occur throughout the with the most up-to-date routes and schedules available online. Due to the constant changes, the District will no longer publish bus schedules. Please check the Web site or visit your child's school for posted routes. Transportation staff are available to assist you by calling **253.891.6400**.



BUS ROUTE INFORMATION

is available on the District Web site.

Winter Weather and School Closures

Deciding to cancel school is a very difficult decision and one we take very seriously. While we know extending the school year calendar disrupts plans, the safety of our students is our first priority.

When poor weather is anticipated, transportation personnel begin driving our District's roads by 3 a.m. The Superintendent makes the decision to cancel or modify school by 4:30 a.m. in order to notify our teachers and families via television, radio and our Web site no later than 5 a.m.

We ask that families continually monitor news sources as road and driving conditions may change between 5 a.m. and the beginning of school.

LIMITED BUS TRANSPORTATION

School closure information and limited bus transportation information is on the District Web site. During inclement weather we'd like to remind you to listen to the radio between 6 and 8 a.m. if you believe there are hazardous traveling conditions. Radio and television stations will be announcing schedule changes. If Sumner School District is not mentioned, normal operations will prevail. Call the District Emergency Hotline at **253.891.6001** for updated information.

Winter may bring weather conditions that require school schedule delays or closure. Keep in mind that hill road conditions affect the District's ability to operate buses safely. Even when road conditions in the valley appear passable, bad weather on the hill often causes hazardous and unsafe driving conditions. Expect buses to be late during severe weather. If buses cannot get up the hills on afternoon routes, students will be returned to their schools.

Mornings

Listen to the radio between 6 and 8 a.m. if you believe the weather may create hazardous traveling conditions. Radio and television stations will be announcing schedule changes. If Sumner School District is not mentioned, normal school operations

will prevail. Please call the District Emergency Hotline at **253.891.6001** for updated information.

Radio and Television Announcements

SCHOOLS CLOSED, means schools will be closed for the day. All after-school and evening activities will be canceled unless otherwise announced.

SCHOOLS OPEN, LIMITED

TRANSPORTATION, means schools will open and buses will operate on limited schedules.

In order to better plan for poor road conditions, the Transportation Department provides a Limited Transportation Schedule. This will allow parents and students to become familiar with the bus stops students will use should the road conditions warrant changes to the normal routes. Please familiarize yourself with the Limited Bus Transportation Routes published on the Web.

Wednesday 90-minute Late Start Mornings

If there is inclement weather on Wednesday mornings and the Sumner School District is not mentioned by radio or television, all bus routes and schools will operate on the Wednesday 90-minute late start schedule.

Early Dismissal

In the event of an early dismissal due to inclement weather, television and radio stations will be notified prior to dismissal time. School closure information will also be listed on the District Web site and families will receive e-mail notification through School Messages during snow and ice conditions. If you will not be home, instruct your child as to where he/she should go in the event of an early dismissal due to emergency conditions.

Emergency Preparedness

Our system for managing school emergency situations provides students, staff and parents with a plan and a sense of security. Student safety is our focus and guides our decisions. Staff members have been assigned specific tasks they are responsible for during an emergency situation. Exhibiting leadership during a school evacuation or providing first aid are as important as communicating information to parents and organizing student relocation centers.

All facilities are equipped with emergency supplies, radios and equipment that may be necessary to shelter students. The Sumner School District works in partnership with local law enforcement, public safety and county emergency management to prepare for emergency conditions in our schools. Each school has developed and implemented a comprehensive plan for responding to a variety of natural disasters and hazardous situations including earthquake, lahar, fire, bomb threat, and hazardous materials incidents. Staff and students practice appropriate responses including evacuation and shelter-in-place.

EMERGENCY PLANS

Each family should have a plan covering what to do when children arrive home early due to an emergency situation. Please develop an emergency plan for your family and practice it with your child. What is the best route home if your child cannot be delivered to the normal bus stop? Where could your child go if he or she needed help? Who would care for him or her until you arrive? Is there someone your child could call to calm any concerns he or she might have?

Emergency Hotline: 253.891.6001

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

In the event of a districtwide emergency, school administrators have designated an Emergency Operations Center to provide support for students and staff at each school. Local law enforcement and emergency management officials will communicate directly with the district to coordinate response plans and maximize resources, ensuring



that assistance is available where it is most needed. District communications and release of information to the media will also be directed from the Operations Center.

EMERGENCY MESSAGES

When you subscribe to School Messages, you will also receive up-to-the minute announcements by e-mail regarding student and school status and unscheduled school closures. In the event of an emergency school closure, evacuation information and parent advisories will also be posted on the Web site.

HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY

This advisory system provides information regarding the risk of terrorist attacks on a national and local level. The system is a means for government officials and citizens to communicate the nature and degree of terrorist threats. This advisory system characterizes appropriate levels of vigilance, preparedness and readiness in a series of graduated threat conditions. Public announcements of threat advisories help deter terrorist activity, notify law enforcement, alert state and local government officials of threats, and inform the public about government preparations.

LAHAR EVACUATION PLAN

Living near Mt. Rainier has potential hazards that include eruption, lava or ash fall and mudflows known as lahars. Pierce County Emergency Management, the U.S. Geologic Survey team and the Federal Emergency Management Agency have joined together to create a plan for responding to any Mt. Rainier emergency that may occur. The Sumner School District has been an active partner in planning and preparing for the evacuation of all schools located in the valley as might someday be required.

LOCKDOWN AND MODIFIED LOCKDOWN

From time to time, local law enforcement agencies alert our schools to potential risks that require the school to implement a precautionary safety protocol known as a lockdown.

In a lockdown, exterior and interior doors are locked. Students are told to stay away from windows and keep low. Curtains or blinds are closed. Lights are off. Only quiet talking is allowed. Students who are outside at recess or in a PE class come back into the building. Signs are posted on doors instructing anyone who tries to get inside the building to leave the school premises immediately. Staff has been trained to take the situation very seriously, with an assumption that an intruder could actually be in the building.

The modified lockdown takes similar precautions but allows more movement within the building. Students may continue to work at their desks with lights on. They may go to the restroom. No one, however, may enter or leave the building staff, students or parents.

SCHOOL CLOSURES

Unscheduled school closures due to inclement weather, natural disaster, Homeland Security Advisory, or school emergencies may occasionally occur. Updated information regarding school status, student evacuation and parent pickup points is available on the Web under the Crisis Information page and is e-mailed to all School Messages subscribers. Additional school closure information is available from the Public Schools Emergency Communication System.

SHELTER-IN-PLACE PROCEDURES

Shelter-in-Place is a short-term solution to a short-term problem. Staff and students may be directed to respond to hazardous materials incidents, chemical spills or terrorist actions in this manner. More information is available on the Shelter-In-Place page on the Web.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

What is emergency preparedness?

Sumner School District has developed an emergency response plan to ensure your child's safety while in school. This plan outlines specific responses that schools will take in the event of an emergency situation such as an evacuation or a lock-down. Staff members have assigned roles and duties that are detailed in the plan.

How will my children know what to do in the event of an emergency?

If an emergency occurs during school hours, classroom teachers will provide students with appropriate instructions. Additionally, school officials may provide students with instructions or information about the emergency through the school public address system. Students often practice for emergency situations such as fire, earthquake or intruder and may be very familiar with school emergency responses.

Who can pick up my children from school during an emergency?

Children will be released to individuals who are authorized on the student's emergency care card or have prior written parent authorization. Schools will also require photo identification when the child is released at the parent-child reunion site. Parents and guardians are responsible for the accuracy of the information on their child's emergency care card. If parents have not completed a card, they need to do so. If their information has changed, parents need to update the information.

What is a parent-child reunion site?

During an emergency situation, schools will set-up a parent-child reunion site where students will be released from school at their parent's request. Many schools have Student Pick-Up banners that will indicate the location of the reunion site on the school campus. At the reunion site, students will be released to their parents or others authorized to pick them up upon presentation of proper identification.

It is likely that during an emergency, students may not be released at the school office. If school or public safety officials require that a school building be evacuated, students and staff members may be transported to a neighboring school. Parents will be informed of the reunion location through the School Messages system and local media. This information will also be posted on the District Web site. Driving directions to other school locations can also be accessed online.

Where is my child s reunion site located?

During emergency situations, circumstances could arise that might force changes to previously designated locations. Parents will be informed of parent-child reunion locations upon arrival at their child s school, or through School Messages and the District Web site.

What if my child is riding a school bus at the time of an emergency?

School bus drivers are in constant radio communication with our Transportation Department. In the event that an emergency occurs while students are in transport, drivers will be notified to respond appropriately. Buses will be rerouted or may delay arrival or departure to avoid traveling toward the emergency situation such as a school lockdown.

What about my child s medication?

If your child requires daily medications that are necessary for chronic or severe medical conditions such as seizures, severe asthma or allergies, parents should make sure that the school has a three day dosage of additional medication. Talk with your child s school health tech for more information.

Is my child allowed to use a cell phone at school?

During certain emergency situations such as unscheduled school closures due to inclement weather situations, students may use their phones to communicate with parents. In specific emergency situations, such as a bomb threat or during a lockdown, use of a cell phone may endanger students, staff and emergency personnel and will not be allowed. Please refer to your school s student handbook for school policies regarding the use of cell phones.

HOW FAMILIES CAN HELP DURING AN EMERGENCY

- ¥ Take care not to become part of the problem by rushing to the school. More traffic just makes it difficult for emergency response teams.
- ¥ Keep emergency cards up-to-date with correct phone numbers and names of people authorized to pick up your children.

¥ All adults picking up children must present photo I.D.

Communication Tips

- ¥ Be patient we will communicate with you as quickly as possible.
- ¥ Check the Web site or call the District Emergency Hotline **253.891.6001** for updates.
- ¥ Please don t call the school; it jams the phone lines.
- ¥ Be patient your child s safety is our first priority!

Notifications

As required by state law (WAC 180-40-225), the Sumner School District Student Discipline Policy and Regulations handbook is available to all students, parents and guardians. The handbook includes general rules for student conduct and the procedures for enforcing those rules. For your convenience the handbook is included in the back-to-school mailing. Additional copies are available at your child s school.

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO & OTHER SUBSTANCES

The Sumner School District provides a safe and drug/tobacco free learning environment for all. Counseling services and referrals are available through our Student Assistance Program.

Smoking or any other use of tobacco products is prohibited on school district property. The ban applies to all District buildings, grounds and District-owned vehicles.

Use or possession of tobacco and tobacco products by students is not permitted on school property or at school-sponsored activities or events.

In the Sumner School District, we believe that the unlawful use of illicit drugs and alcohol is harmful and wrong and negatively impacts student conduct and performance.

Students will not possess, use, or be under the influence of alcohol, drugs, controlled substances of any kind (other than those obtained and properly used pursuant to a valid prescription); or those purported to be the same including but not limited to imitation controlled substances and/or related drug paraphernalia on school grounds, at school sponsored activities either on or off school grounds, in route to and from school, as well as while students are or should be in attendance during the school day.

FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that the Sumner School District, with certain exceptions, obtain written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child s education records. However, it is permissible to disclose designated information without written consent, unless the District has been advised otherwise. The District may include directory information about your child in certain school publications including: listing their name on a playbill showing your student s role in a drama production; in the annual yearbook; on Honor Roll or other recognition lists; in graduation programs; and on athletic team rosters.

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 prior 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 high school that they do not want their student s information disclosed without their prior written consent.

If you do not want the Sumner School District to disclose directory information from your child s education records without your prior

APPEARANCE

Students should dress appropriately for school, wearing clothing and accessories that do not distract or disrupt the educational process. Students should refrain from items and/or clothing that promote drugs, alcohol, cults, profanity, lewd comments, gang activities and/or other statements or pictures which cause disruption of normal school operation. Please check with your school for further information regarding attire.

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written consent, you must notify the District in writing.

If you would like more information or are concerned about your rights as protected by FERPA, please contact the Superintendent s office for further assistance.

NOTIFICATION OF THREATS OF VIOLENCE OR HARM 4314

Here is a summary of the policy about threat notification as listed in the Sumner School District Student Discipline Policies and Regulations.

Staff, students, volunteers, and others involved in school activities have the responsibility to report any threats of violence or harm. The report will be made to the school official most readily available. Based on the significance and credibility of the threat, it may be reported to law enforcement. State law provides the district, school district directors and district staff with immunity from liability for providing notice of threats in good faith. Persons who make a knowingly false notification of a threat are subject to appropriate district discipline policies, and may be referred for prosecution.

Individual-directed threats of violence or harm are communications that create fear of physical harm to a specific individual or individuals, communicated directly or indirectly by any means. Building-directed threats of violence or harm are direct or indirect communications by any means of the intent to cause damage to a school building or school property (e.g. bomb threats) or to harm students, employees, volunteers, patrons, or visitors.

The District will address threats of violence or harm in a manner consistent with the district s safety policies and comprehensive safe school plans.

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION, POSTING AND RECORD KEEPING

At least 48 hours before the application of a pesticide to school grounds or facilities, the District shall notify interested guardians, parents

and staff of the planned application in writing. The notice shall be posted in a prominent place in the building office in addition to being provided to those who have requested notification. If the application is not made within 48 hours of the notice, another notification shall be made prior to the application. This pre-notification is not required in the case of emergency application of pesticides to a school facility, such as an application to control sting pests, but full notification shall be made as soon as possible after the application.

Pre-notification is not required if the school grounds or facility will not be occupied by students for two days following the application. Contact the Maintenance & Operations Department at **253.891.6300** for additional information.

PROHIBITION OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, AND BULLYING 3207

Here is a summary of the policies about Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying as listed in the Sumner School District Student Discipline Policies and Regulations.

The Sumner School District is committed to a safe and civil environment for all students, employees, volunteers, and patrons, as free as possible from harassment, intimidation, or bullying. Harassment, intimidation or bullying means any intentional written, electronic, verbal, or physical act, including but not limited to one shown to be motivated by any characteristic in RCW 9A.36.080(3), (race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or mental or physical disability), or other distinguishing characteristics, when the intentional written, verbal, or physical act:

- ◆ Physically harms a student or damages the student s property; or
- ◆ Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student s education; or
- ◆ Is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment; or
- ◆ Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

GUN FREE SCHOOLS POLICY

In the event a student brings a firearm to school (anywhere on school grounds, school provided transportation or at any school event), a one year mandatory expulsion will be imposed. The Superintendent may modify expulsions on a case-by-case basis. Law enforcement and parents will be notified when any firearm incident occurs.



TOBACCO FREE SCHOOL POLICY

Use of tobacco is prohibited on school grounds. Disciplinary sanctions will be imposed on students who use and/or possess tobacco on school grounds or at school events.

The Sumner School District complies with all applicable federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, families with children, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, or 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. This holds true for all district employment opportunities. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures should be directed to the school district s Equal Opportunity Officer and/or Section 504/ADA coordinator.

Our Schools

1 Bonney Lake Elementary

18715 80th Street East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.4450

2 Bonney Lake High School

10920 199th Avenue Court East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.5700

3 Crestwood Elementary

3914 West Tapps Drive East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.4550

4 Daffodil Valley Elementary

1509 Valley Avenue
Sumner WA 98390
253.891.4600

5 Emerald Hills Elementary

19515 South Tapps Drive East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.4750

6 Lakeridge Middle School

5909 Myers Road East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.5100

7 Liberty Ridge Elementary

12202 209th Avenue Court East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.4800

8 Maple Lawn Elementary

230 Wood Avenue
Sumner WA 98390
253.891.4400

9 McAlder Elementary

15502 96th Street East
Puyallup WA 98372
253.891.4500

10 Mountain View Middle School

10921 199th Avenue Court East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.5200

11 Sumner High School

1707 Main Street
Sumner WA 98390
253.891.5500

12 Sumner Middle School

1508 Willow Street
Sumner WA 98390
253.891.5000

13 Victor Falls Elementary

(closed for remodel)

11401 188th Avenue Court East
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.4700

New!

Victor Falls at Elementary #9

13802 Canyon Falls Blvd
Bonney Lake WA 98391
253.891.4700

DISTRICT OFFICES

C

Central Office
1202 Wood Avenue
Sumner WA 98390
253.891.6000

R

Recreation Department
15206 Daffodil St Ct E
Sumner WA 98390
253.891.6500

S

Support Services
19701 104th Street East
Bonney Lake WA 98391

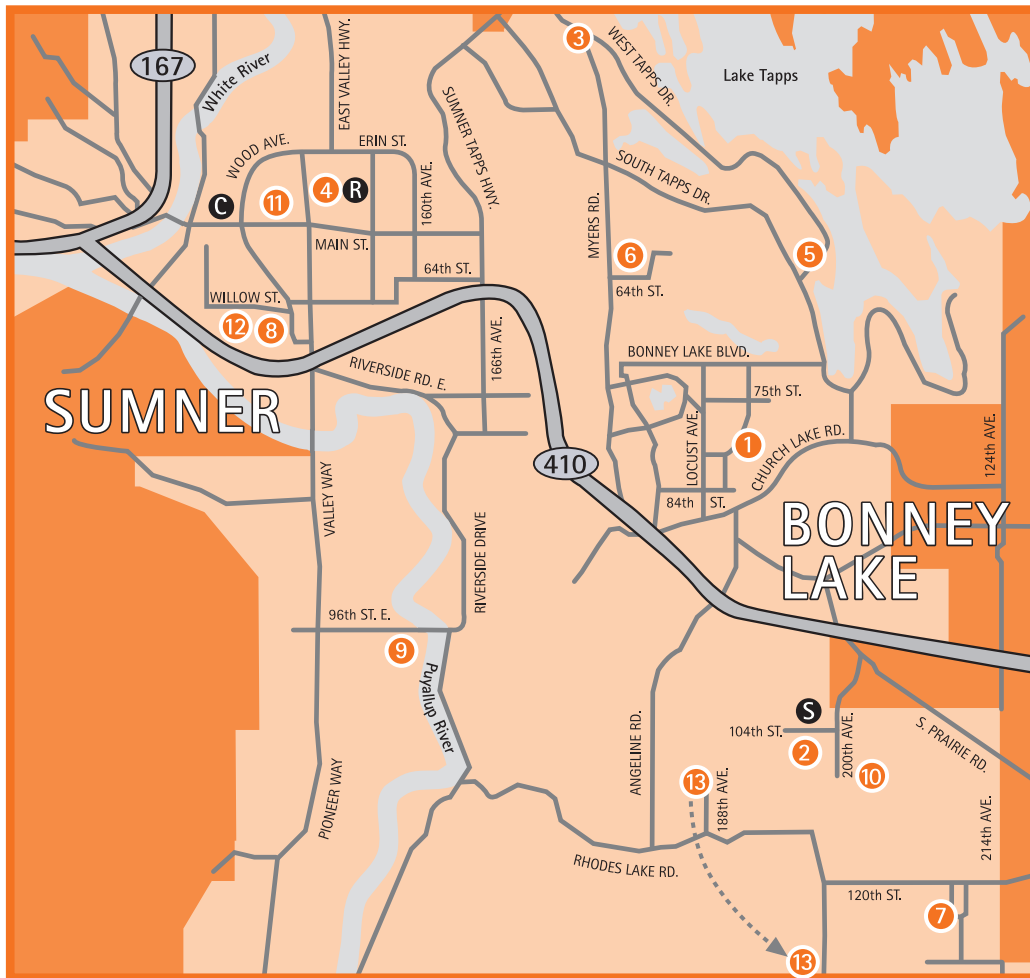
Child Nutrition Services
253.891.6450

Maintenance
253.891.6300

Transportation
253.891.6400

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DISTRICT.

DESIGN BY
PARTNERS IN DESIGN



SEPTEMBER 2009

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Year at a Glance

Full-time K through Grade 12

= 90-minute Late Start = No School

A complete calendar for half-time kindergarten students is available at your child's school.

= IMPORTANT DATES for 2009-10

FEBRUARY

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Useful Numbers

Athletics
253.891.5555

Central Office
253.891.6000

Child Nutrition Services
253.891.6450

District Hotline
253.891.6001

Health Services
253.891.6051

Maintenance
253.891.6300

Performing Arts Center
253.891.5560

Recreation Dept.
253.891.6500

SafeSchools LifeLine
1-866-LIVE TIP, ext 161

Special Services
253.891.6040

STARR Project
253.891.6066

Sumner-Bonney Lake Education Foundation
253.891.6077

Sumner Family Center
253.891.6535

Swimming Pool
253.891.5550

Teaching & Learning
253.891.6052

Transportation
253.891.6400

OCTOBER

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Sept 8 Special Start Times

Sept 9
Sept 10/14

Oct 9 (no school)

Oct 27 (90-minute late start / ELEMENTARY ONLY)
Oct 28 (90-minute late start)
Oct 29 (90-minute late start / ELEMENTARY ONLY)
Oct 30 (90-minute late start / ELEMENTARY ONLY)

Nov 11 (no school)

November 18/25

Nov 25 (no elementary school)

Nov 26-27 (no school)

Dec 21-Jan 1 (no school)

Jan 18 (no school)

Jan 29 (no middle or high school)

Feb 12 (no school)

Feb 15 (no school)

March 17/24

March 24

Mar 29-April 2 (no school)

April 7

May 28 (no school)

May 31 (no school)

June 21 (early dismissal)

First Day of School

First Day of Full-Time Kindergarten
First Day of Blue/Red Kindergarten

Elementary Conference Day
Elementary Conference Day
Elementary Conference Day
Elementary Conference Day

Veterans Day Observance

Middle School Conference Days

Elementary Teacher Work Day

Thanksgiving Holiday

Winter Break

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Secondary Teacher Work Day

Presidents Day Weekend

Presidents Day

Elementary Conference Days

High School Conference Day

Spring Break

High School Conference Day

Weather Make-up Day

Memorial Day

Last Day of School

NOVEMBER

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Grading Periods

Middle and High School

October 20 Progress Report #1
December 8 Progress Report #2
January 28 First Semester Ends
March 9 Progress Report #3
May 5 Progress Report #4
June 21 Second Semester Ends

School dates may change because of school closures due to weather or other emergency conditions.

Elementary School

November 24 First Trimester Ends
March 18 Second Trimester Ends
June 21 Third Trimester Ends

MARCH

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