

Tacoma Public Schools

Neighborhood Council Report: June 2018

Graduations

Did you miss any of our graduations? Watch the replays on the Tacoma Public Schools Facebook page or YouTube channel:

- www.facebook.com/tacomaschools
- www.youtube.com/ktpsvideo

You can also find other graduation-related photos and videos on the district's Facebook page.

Free summer meal program for children and teens

Tacoma Public Schools' Nutrition Services Department, in partnership with the United States Department of Agriculture, sponsors the Summer Food Service Program for children and teens. Beginning June 18 through Aug. 28 all children and teens ages 1 through 18 can get a free breakfast and sack lunch at specified locations and dates across the district when the Summer Food Service Program is in session. All sites will be closed on July 4.

The Summer Food Service Program is a federally funded child nutrition program that feeds children and teens free nutrition meals during the long summer break when school is out and they do not have access to school meals.

All children and teens from the community are welcome to free meals served on a first-come, first-served basis. Just show up at the advertised serving time. There is no required registration or fees.

The United States Department of Agriculture sponsors the Summer Food Service Program for children and teens and requires the district to follow certain guidelines to receive federal reimbursement for the meals served. The guidelines include: The entire meal must be eaten on site; no portion of the meal may be taken out of the meal serving area and adults may not eat any portion of a child's meal.

Summer Food Service Program Menu (Monday through Thursday)

Breakfast

Daily: Cereal, breakfast crackers, 100% fruit juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Packaged Lunch-Beef and Cheese sticks, apple, carrots, milk

- **Tuesday:** Packaged Lunch-Fiesta Chili Lime Dippers, apple, carrots, milk

- **Wednesday:** Packaged Lunch- Cheese Spread \$ Salsa, apple, carrots, milk
- **Thursday:** Packaged Lunch- Peanut Butter & Jelly, apple, carrots, milk
- **Friday:** District school buildings are closed

To find where and when these free cold breakfasts and sack lunches will be provided near you, call 1-866-3-HUNGRY or go to www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks.

Summer School options

Tacoma Public Schools offers a wide range of summer programs and activities for all grade levels that can give students a boost, help them catch up or ease the transition to a new school.

All our summer programs are offered FREE to registered Tacoma Public Schools students.

Why have we expanded summer offerings over the last few years? The 'Summer Slide' can be a disaster. During the summer, students can lose two months of learning; we call that the 'Summer Slide.' And summer slide after summer slide can lead to kids falling way behind and ultimately make it difficult to graduate. But that doesn't have to mean traditional class time. Summer is an opportunity for hands on learning and exploration that keeps students engaged and ensures they are ready for class in the fall.

Check out all the TPS and community summer school offerings at www.summerlearningtacoma.org.

New firefighter certification program: for current high school juniors

The Wildland Fire Certification Program will prepare students for jobs as a Wildland Firefighter at the standard set by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG).

This new Tacoma Public Schools certification program is open to 15 high school juniors. This 13-day program consists of four basic firefighter courses and other training and information required by the U.S. Forest Service and the state Department of Natural Resources who hire wildland firefighters during wildfire season.

The coursework will provide knowledge and theory behind basic firefighting skills, terminology, and common responsibilities; and includes standard firefighting orders, watch-out situations, human factors on the fire line, suppression tactics, incident response, basic fire behavior, emergency situations, risk management and fire weather.

Graduates of this program will become qualified as a Type 2 Wildland Firefighter and earn what's called the "red card" certification required to work on forest fires or to participate in prescribed fires.

Leadership position updates for 2018-19

Most the following changes take effect July 1.

High School

Name	New position	Previous position
Bernadette Ray	Principal, Wilson High School	Assistant Principal, Wilson High School
Allison Bennett	Assistant Principal, Wilson High School	Assistant Principal, Bethel School District
Rindi Hartman	Assistant Principal, Wilson High School	Dean, Instructional Support, Wilson High School
Kevin Kannier	Principal on Special Assignment, Wilson High School	Principal, Mount Tahoma High School
Donald Crider	Assistant Principal, Lincoln High School	Dean, Instructional Support, Lincoln High School
Miguel Villahermosa	Assistant Principal, Mount Tahoma High School	Administrator on Special Assignment
Wayne Greer	Assistant Principal, Foss High School	Assistant Principal, Baker Middle School

Middle School

Name	New position	Previous position
Shannan Graves	Principal, Giaudrone Middle School	Principal, Stafford Elementary School

Patrick Kjack	Principal, Meeker Middle School	Assistant Principal, Meeker Middle School
Khai Peirce	Assistant Principal, Giaudrone Middle School	Dean, Instructional Support, Truman Middle School
Heather Patterson-Hutton	Assistant Principal, Stewart Middle School	Assistant Principal, Larchmont Elementary School
Steve Holmes	Assistant Principal, Meeker Middle School	Principal, Grant Center for the Expressive Arts

Elementary School

Name	New position	Previous position
Vince Blauser	Principal, Grant Center for the Expressive Arts	Assistant Principal, Foss High School
John Aiken	Principal, Point Defiance Elementary School	Principal, Auburn School District
James Ball	Principal, Jefferson Elementary School	Assistant Principal, McCarver Elementary School
Lindsay Beerbower	Principal, Stafford Elementary School	Assistant Principal, Stafford Elementary School
Abby Sloan	Principal, Reed Elementary School	Assistant Principal, Reed Elementary School
William Harris	Assistant Principal, McCarver Elementary School	Principal, Giaudrone Middle School

Ronnee Fullerton	Assistant Principal, Arlington Elementary School	Elementary music teacher, Arlington Elementary School
Howard Ngoma	Assistant Principal, Reed Elementary School	Assistant Principal, First Creek Middle School
Michelle Leonard	Assistant Principal, Stafford Elementary School	Assistant Principal, Giaudrone Middle School
Benjamin Schau	Assistant Principal, Larchmont Elementary School	Dean, Instructional Support, Lister Elementary School

Other administrative positions

Name	New position	Previous position
Mike Rupert	Director, Safety and Security	Assistant Director, Safety and Security