



Fawcett Elementary and
 Tacoma Public Schools
 Resources & Information
 Updates from
 Principal Hathaway
 Week of November 16, 2020

Spirit Week (*NEW):

Our student council, comprised of two classroom representatives from each of our 4th and 5th grade classrooms, is sponsoring next week's spirit week. Please feel free to add any spirit week pictures to our Fawcett Elementary School Facebook post or send pictures to Ms. Kelly at kpenswi@tacoma.k12.wa.us or Ms. Hathaway at ehathaw@tacoma.k12.wa.us.



Thanksgiving Break (*NEW):

School is closed for Thanksgiving Break from November 25th-27th.

What Are You Thankful For?:

If you would like to submit a picture of your Fawcett falcon showcasing what he/she is thankful for, please feel free to email the picture to Ms. Hathaway (ehathaw@tacoma.k12.wa.us) or Ms. Kelly (kpenswi@tacoma.k12.wa.us), as we would like to share this onto our Fawcett Elementary School Facebook.



**WE HAVE MORE
 SUPPLIES FOR YOU!**

Fawcett Elementary School Supply Pick-Up

**FOR ALL FAWCETT REMOTE STUDENTS GRADES PS - 5
 AND
 ALL K-5 FAWCETT STUDENTS ATTENDING TOL**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17
 3:30PM - 5:30PM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18
 11:00AM - 1:00PM

Drive through Supply Pickup. Please wear a mask and remain in your vehicle. Please write your child's name and grade on a sign and place inside your windshield. You may also drop off medical paperwork at this event.

Schoology:

Students need to access Schoology through their Office 365 account and use their username and password to log-in. Once signed in, scroll down and click Schoology, which is a white "S" with a black background surrounded by a light blue circle.

I want to make sure you know that you can now use Schoology to view your student's grades. Schoology shows individual assignments, grades on each assignment, as well as teacher comments.

You can still see grades in the Home Access Center (HAC) too. The advantage to viewing grades in Schoology is the increased level of detail and context provided on individual assignments. Students will continue to receive traditional report cards at the end of each trimester.

Grades look a little different at the elementary and secondary levels, to see how to access grades in Schoology and understand the differences, we have some short videos for you in English and Spanish, which are also listed below. To watch them, go to tacomaschools.org and search for "Family Support Center."

Do you have questions about your Schoology access code? Contact our school's teacher librarian by going to our school website and clicking on the tile that says: "Remote Learning Help." This will connect you with our school's teacher librarian, Mrs. Wells, who can assist you with this or other remote learning questions you may have. Mrs. Wells email address is: ewells@tacoma.k12.wa.us. And remember, only students on the remote learning path use Schoology. Take a look at this short video how one parent likes to use Schoology:



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2K6H3S9mKbk&list=PLyhiW2xh9YYheLyoh-rDTG_seA7x7ITgw&index=8

Here are two new videos you can access to learn more about viewing grading in Schoology:

- English: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-WJnt2CAANk&list=PLrgJy7zv_q0iSP5U64VPTRU0jTmbr1Qk7&index=2
- Spanish: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dmGFrV3zE1s&list=PLrgJy7zv_q0iSP5U64VPTRU0jTmbr1Qk7&index=4

5th Grade Band & Orchestra Registration Open (*UPDATED):

Good news for students who love music! Our 5th graders in remote learning and Tacoma Online can now join virtual band or orchestra. Please note: our Fawcett students will either go participate in band with Baker Middle School this year, not Stewart MS.

This year, the program will run virtually. 5th graders will learn to play an instrument before or after the regular school day, taught by a middle school teacher.

Typically, in band, 5th graders can learn flute, clarinet, trumpet and trombone. In orchestra, they can learn violin or viola.

Qualifying students can borrow an instrument and receive materials from their school. Students can also rent an instrument from a local music store; middle school music teachers have more information on both options.

https://spark.adobe.com/page/4EjPM6ZqqQ62Z/?fbclid=IwAR2RuMK3HnaEFem7Y1_iBlpwDPGKcodLwAILik42Hqs6u2czfZLZGgLO9Tw

K-3 TV School:



We launched a daily TV school for students in kindergarten through third grade specifically for students who do not have access to the internet or a device at home, but do have cable TV access to our district TV station—KTPS TV on Comcast Channel 26 or Click/Rainier Connect Channel 25.

We have found that TV school is also popular with other students who do have internet access, but like an alternative way to learn.

Ms. Ozolin and Ms. Walle teach daily 45-minute episodes on math, literacy, and social emotional activities by grade level. You can also find their episodes on our district YouTube Channel: @tacomaschools.

For more information and a daily schedule visit www.tacomaschools.org/tvschool.

Falcon Foundations for Success:

Starting this past week, as we do each year, we have our weekly Falcon Foundations for Success. Each week, each classroom teacher will choose two students from their class who exemplified the weekly focus. On the Friday of that week at 3:25 PM, these falcons will be invited to a Teams celebratory meeting with Ms. Hathaway & Ms. Holcombe to celebrate their recognition.

NOVEMBER: BE SAFE

November 16: I use words to solve my problems.

November 30: Teacher's Choice (on being safe)

Weekly Student School-Wide Attendance:

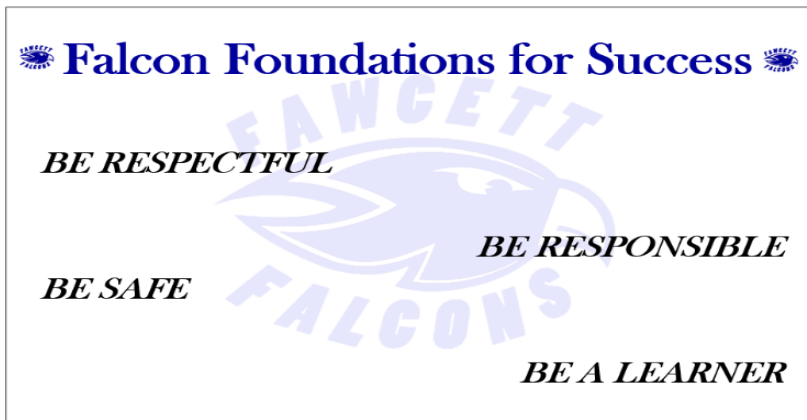
Each week, whether in remote or in-person learning, our daily school-wide attendance goal is 95%.

This week's school-wide attendance (preschool through 5th grade) percentage was 88.89%.

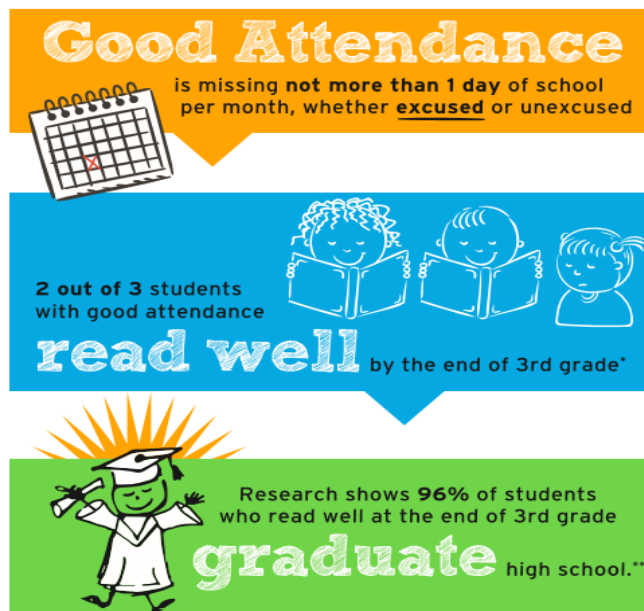
Family App:

Our school needs your help. When we return to in-person learning, you must complete a short COVID-19 health screening form every day your child is in a school building.

The easiest way to complete that form is online. Completing the Family App registration allows you to access the daily online COVID-19 health screening form from a laptop, tablet or mobile phone. Please take a few minutes to register online; our school team would truly appreciate it! If you need directions on how to register, go to tacomaschools.org and search Family App.



GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS
Every Minute
in School Counts



*Attendance in Early Elementary Grades: Association with Student Characteristics, School Readiness and Third Grade Outcomes, Applied Survey Research, May 2011.

**Double Jeopardy, Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2011.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS
EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.

You can also call or email our teacher librarian, Mrs. Wells at: (253) 571-4722 or ewells@tacoma.k12.wa.us.



We ask that Tacoma Online families complete the registration too, because we'll eventually use the Family App for many different things across the school district.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mC9aaBzsTb4&feature=youtu.be>

Free & Reduced-Priced Meals:

I'm really happy to tell you that all of our students can now get free breakfast and lunch five days a week through **June 30, 2021**, which is an extension of the timeline we were given at the start of the school year.

You can continue to pick up meals from 11 AM to 1 PM at any district middle school, as well as bus stops throughout the district.

Now, even though those free meals are available, it's still very important to apply for free and reduced-price meals. When you qualify for that, you might also qualify for additional benefits, such as free access to internet or discounts on childcare or cable television service.

The other big benefit is that our school can receive more federal and state funding for extra teachers and support if we have a lot of students who qualify for free meals.

If you haven't already, please visit www.tacomaschools.org/nutrition. There you can apply for free and reduced-price meals, see the daily menu, and locate the meal bus stops.

Get more information, including the map of meal pick-up stops at: <http://bit.ly/TPSFall2020>. Based off this map, Fawcett Elementary School is a stop! ☺ We are the final stop on the bus route @ 11:26 AM. The bus will remain at the school until noon. Nutrition Services staff will serve meals to walk-ups.

Fawcett Elementary School Facebook Page:

If you haven't already, I would like to encourage you to "Like" our Fawcett Elementary School Facebook page, as we are frequently adding a variety of additional resources, tips, ideas, and opportunities:

www.Facebook.com/FawcettFalcons



Helpful Websites:

🌀 Fawcett Elementary School website:

fawcettfalcons.com

🌀 Fawcett Elementary School Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/fawcettfalcons/>

🌀 Tacoma Public Schools:

<https://www.tacomaschools.org/>

Protect the whole family.

Everyone 6 months or older can get vaccinated without leaving the car.

Wear masks and short sleeves. Children under 3 wear shorts.

Flu vaccine is free for children 18 and younger and uninsured adults.

Insured adults—bring your insurance card, and we will bill your insurance.

Event times or locations may unexpectedly change.

Check tpchd.org/flu for updates.

Questions?

Call (253) 798-4428.

Let's fight the flu, too, Pierce County!

MultiCare 

MaryBridge Children's
MultiCare 

 Tacoma-Pierce County
Health Department
Healthy People in Healthy Communities



Interpreters available in Spanish, Russian and Vietnamese.

Thursday, Sept. 24
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Surprise Lake Middle School
2001 Milton Way, Milton

Thursday, Oct. 1
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Washington High School
12420 Ainsworth Ave. S., Tacoma

Thursday, Oct. 8
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Clover Park High School Stadium
11023 Gravelly Lake Dr. S.W., Lakewood

Thursday, Oct. 15
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Bethel High School
22215 38th Ave. E., Spanaway

Thursday, Oct. 22
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Curtis High School
8425 40th St. W., University Place

Saturday, Oct. 24
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Washington State Fairgrounds Blue Lot
110 9th Ave. S.W., Puyallup

Thursday, Oct. 29
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Bonney Lake High School
10920 199th Ave. Ct. E., Bonney Lake

Thursday, Nov. 5
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Eatonville Elementary School
209 Lynch Creek Rd. E., Eatonville

Saturday, Nov. 7
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tacoma Dome
2727 E. D St., Tacoma

Thursday, Nov. 12
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Key Peninsula Middle School
5510 Key Peninsula Hwy. N.W., Lakebay

Thursday, Nov. 19
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Steilacoom School District Office
511 Chambers St., Steilacoom

Thursday, Dec. 3
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Gig Harbor High School
5101 Rosedale St. N.W., Gig Harbor

Tacoma Public Schools 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:

- ❖ Civil Rights Coordinator: Lisa Nolan, lnolan@tacoma.k12.wa.us, 253-571-1252;
- ❖ Title IX Coordinator, Elementary: Christa Erolin, cerolin@tacoma.k12.wa.us, 253-571-1318;
- ❖ Title IX Coordinator, Secondary: Eric Hogan, ehogan1@tacoma.k12.wa.us, 253-571-1191;
- ❖ 504 Coordinator, Elementary: Elise Friedrich-Nielsen, efriedr@tacoma.k12.wa.us, 253-571-1096;
- ❖ 504 Coordinator, Secondary: Cari Ake, cake@tacoma.k12.wa.us, 253-571-1225.
- ❖ Mailing address: P.O. Box 1357, Tacoma, WA 98401-1357. If you have questions regarding this nondiscrimination statement and its use, please contact me at lnolan@tacoma.k12.wa.us or 253-571-1252