



Coe Bulletin

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The Coe Bulletin is sent home electronically every Wednesday. If you would like to receive a paper copy, please contact the office at 206-252-2000.

If you have a submission for the bulletin, please email ldloewe@seattleschools.org by 3:30 p.m. Monday of that week's bulletin.

Calendar of Events

The calendar is also available online at: www.coees.seattleschools.org.

Thursday, November 10	Veterans Day Assembly for Grades 1-5, 8:05 a.m., Lunchroom
Friday, November 11	No School – Veterans Day
Tuesday, November 15	5 Spot Fundraiser, All Day
Wednesday, November 16	Picture Retakes
Wednesday, November 16	Two Hour Early Dismissal at 12:05 p.m.
Friday, November 18	Spirit Day – Dress Like a Teacher Day
Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, November 19, 21, 22	Parent Teacher Conferences
Monday-Friday, November 21-25	No School – Conferences/Thanksgiving Break
Monday, December 5	Coe Cares/Student Council Assembly, 8:05 a.m., Lunchroom
Friday, December 16	Winter Celebration Assemblies, Grades 3-5 at 8:05 a.m., Grades K-2 at 9:15 a.m., Lunchroom
December 19-January 2	No School – Winter Break

SCHOOL NEWS:

From the Principal

I am writing today to encourage you to help us keep your children safe. While I am very aware that we are an overcrowded school (and therefore there are more parents present for drop-off/pick-up), the number of parents disregarding drop-off/pick-up rules has reached an all-time high, and we as a staff are concerned. Here are just a few examples of the type of disregard for the rules I am talking about:

1. Pulling into the load/unload lane from the wrong direction (from the south) when signs, common sense, and years of practice show that the lane runs from the north to the south. This maneuver blocks the lane from moving efficiently.
2. Disregarding city load/unload signs and instead parking in the one-minute load/unload zone. This prevents the lane from moving and clogs our flow for drop-off/pick-up.
3. Nearly every day someone parks in the bus load zone after school. When a staff member directs drivers to move their cars, instead of the parent being apologetic and moving out of the bus zone, they talk disrespectfully to the staff member. Please, please, model polite behavior for our children and move your car so that buses can get into the zone designated for them.
4. Parents who are running late often drop off their children, in the middle of congested traffic, in the middle of the block. We gasp when we witness this because we fear a child could be hit.
5. Parents dropping off children in the 6th Avenue drop-off zone, then making a U-turn into oncoming traffic to avoid the congestion of 6th and McGraw. This creates a major traffic hazard for all drivers.

I will be upfront: something has to change. We have contacted the police department and an officer has visited to look at our situation. We have encouraged the police to stop by Coe a few times a week and start giving out tickets, as pleading, encouraging, and asking parents to follow the law and our rules for drop-off/pick up have not resulted in a safe situation for our students and staff.

All of us are busy and we all have places to go, yet I know we all want the same thing: for children to be kept safe. We need your help to ensure student safety.

Thank you in advance for planning ahead; following the school and city rules; and for keeping students safe!

Virginia

Handbook Highlight

Each week we will highlight a section of the Coe Family Handbook. This week the topic is safety:

Safety

Coe stresses safety in walking, biking or riding a school bus to and from school. Every child should always be safety conscious and know the location of their bus stop or the safest route to take. Here are some safety rules:

- *Cross streets at crosswalks.*
- *Look both ways before crossing a street.*
- *When walking on a roadway, walk facing traffic.*
- *Go directly home after school. Do not stop to play at a friend's house, unless your parents have given permission ahead of time. (Forgetting this rule has caused countless hours of anxiety for parents and school staff members looking for "lost" children.)*
- *Do not talk to strangers. Do not accept a ride with anyone unless your parents have given you permission in advance.*
- *Tell your parent/guardian and a grownup at school, if anyone bothers you or makes you feel uncomfortable on your way to or from school or on the playground.*

Researchers tell us that parents overestimate the ability of young children to safely cross streets. Practice, practice, practice crossing streets. Parents, please do not ask your child to jaywalk to reach your car. Setting a good example is the first step to teaching your children these skills.

Veterans Day Program

You are invited to the Coe Veterans Day Program! **The assembly is for 1st through 5th grade students** and will be held tomorrow, Thursday, November 10th at 8:05 a.m. in the lunchroom. The following students will perform patriotic songs to help us honor all the members of the military who have served our country:

- All 1st grade students
- All 3rd grade students
- All 5th grade students
- Coe Cub Choir
- Coe Show Choir

Please invite any friend or relative who is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces. During the program each veteran will have the opportunity to introduce themselves and say a few words about their service.

Picture Retakes

Lifetouch Photography will be here on Wednesday, November 16 for picture retakes. If your child missed the first picture day and you would like to purchase a packet, please send in order form and payment (forms are available in the office). If your child needs retakes, please send in the intact, unwanted packet. Questions? Contact Benten Arriola at 206-252-2000 or bdarriola@seattleschools.org.

Spirit Day – Dress Like a Teacher Day



Friday, November 18th is another Spirit Day! Our Student Council voted and the theme is “Dress Like a Teacher Day” – use your imagination and have fun!

Calling All Scientists

Coe will be having a science fair on Thursday, April 27th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. We are looking for adults with experience in the field of science to showcase an engaging experiment or interactive demonstration (at a table in the cafeteria). If you’d like more information, or you know you want to share your expertise/special interest with us, please contact Shauna Diller at sjdiller@seattleschools.org.

PTA NEWS:

Fall Fund Drive

The Fall Fund Drive has been a huge success. We have raised \$90,000! We are so close to meeting our goal of \$100,000. You are still welcome to make a donation if you haven’t done so already. You can donate online at <http://coees.seattleschools.org> or <https://fhcepta.ejoinme.org/donate>.

Please contact Victoria Humphrey with questions at victoria_humphrey@hotmail.com.

A huge thank you to all of the families for their generous donations:

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Corporate Matching for Donations

If you work for Microsoft or for another company that uses Benevity to process your corporate matching donations, we are registered to receive your donations! We have received some questions as to how we are listed. We are listed as F H Coe PTA Seattle Council 6-15-70. Please request your matching donations for the Fall Fund Drive today!

Support Coe through Amazon

Did you know that you can support Coe when you shop online with Amazon? The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. It's easy. Just go to smile.amazon.com and select F H Coe PTA Seattle Council 6-15-70 and Amazon will donate to Coe when you make a purchase.

IslandWood Fundraiser - Cookie Dough

Cougar Mountain cookie dough is on sale now to support the 5th grade trip to IslandWood next year! A table will be set up in the atrium after school tomorrow, Thursday, November 10th. The cost is \$16 per tub; cash or check payable to Coe PTA is due at the time of order. Cookie dough will arrive on Tuesday, December 6th and must be picked up after school that day. Thanks for your continued support.

For more information contact Elizabeth Peterson at eaepeterson@gmail.com or Megan Olsen at meganandtodd@gmail.com.

Dine out at 5 Spot on Tuesday, November 15th



Mark your calendars and plan to dine out for breakfast, lunch, or dinner on Tuesday, November 15th. Why? 5 Spot has graciously offered to donate 25 percent of all food sales to Coe!

With Thanksgiving break and conferences the following week it will be a hectic time for families. Give yourself a break and consider:

- Organizing a parent brunch after drop off if your schedule allows! Doors open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 11:00 p.m.
- Take the night off from trying to figure out dinner and head there as a family.
- Work nearby? Make a lunch meeting.

The money raised from this event will go towards funding IslandWood next year where we are striving to raise \$18,000 over the course of the year. Let's show our appreciation and dine out! Email Megan Olsen at meganandtodd@gmail.com or Elizabeth Peterson at eaepeterson@gmail.com for more information.

DISTRICT NEWS:

K-5 ELA Instructional Materials Review and Feedback Opportunities


The public comment period has opened for round two of the adoption process and runs through Nov. 30. Community and staff members are invited to review and provide feedback on the instructional materials of the three finalists. The Adoption Committee is continuing the process of evaluating the curricular materials, including ongoing field tests and now collecting feedback from the community.

The goal of the adoption process is to select the instructional materials that best support reading and writing instruction, and we welcome community feedback as a critical component of this review and selection process.

In-person review and feedback forms are at the following locations:

1. Boren STEM K-8 Library
5950 Delridge Way SW, Seattle, WA 98106
2. Broadview-Thomson K-8 Library
13052 Greenwood Ave N, Seattle, WA 98133
3. Green Lake Elementary Library
2400 N 65th St, Seattle, WA 98103
4. Madrona K-8 Library
1121 33rd Ave, Seattle, WA 98122
5. South Shore PK-8 Library
4800 S Henderson St, Seattle, WA 98118
6. JSCEE Professional Library (2nd floor)
2445 3rd Ave S, Seattle, WA 98134

Online review and feedback:

Visit district website to [View Materials for the English Language Arts K-5 Adoption](#) for details on how to view the materials and provide feedback online. If you have questions, please contact Kathleen Vasquez, ELA and Social Studies Program Manager: 206-252-0234  206-252-0234.

Public review and feedback is open until Nov. 30 and all feedback forms, including online versions, are available in Chinese, English, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog and Vietnamese.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Seattle JazzEd

Is your child new to school band? Have they dabbled in church music, piano lessons or drumming? Your child can start their musical future with a solid foundation in the award-winning JazzED Introductory Ensemble! As you know, music equips students with 21st century skills for lifelong success. But most importantly...it's fun! After-school rehearsals and small group lessons, November-May 2017. Scholarships are easy to get. Payment plans available to every family. Get info and registration link at seattlejazzed.org/intro or call 206-324-JAZZ (5299). Seattle JazzED Intro Ensemble – enrolling grades 4 & 5 now!

Safe N Sound Camps

Day off from school? Join us for swimming and fun during a school or holiday break! We offer one day camps that are filled with free swim, crafts, and engaging games to burn off some winter break energy for ages 6-11! Space is limited. Enroll online today at www.snssswim.com/holiday-camp.