



# Coe Bulletin

**September 21, 2016**

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](mailto: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](http://www.coees.seattleschools.org).

Thursday, September 22	Curriculum Night, Grades K-2, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Monday-Thursday, September 26-29	Scholastic Book Fair, Kearns Library
Wednesday, September 28	Two Hour Early Dismissal at 12:05 p.m.
Friday, September 30	September Birthday Lunch
Friday, September 30	Lost and Found Cleanout
Thursday, October 6	Deadline for Advanced Learning Applications
Thursday, October 6	General PTA Meeting, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Kearns Library
Wednesday, October 12	Individual Photo Day
Friday, October 14	No School – Professional Development Day
Monday-Thursday, October 17- 20	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade to IslandWood
Wednesday, October 26	Two Hour Early Dismissal at 12:05 p.m.

# SCHOOL NEWS:

## From the Principal

We are off to a great start this year: prepared and enthusiastic teachers; happy, excited, eager-to-learn students; and supportive and helpful parents. One of the most remarkable things about Coe is its committed and involved parents. One indication of parental involvement is Curriculum Night - that night once a year in which teachers articulate to parents how the class is run, what major projects the students will engage in, which field trips are planned, grade level standards, and more. Curriculum Night for K-2 families is tomorrow night, and Curriculum Night for 3-5 families was held on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is always 100 percent attendance. Here are the attendance percentages of parent attendance for the Curriculum Night which was held on September 15<sup>th</sup>:

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:

- Leung: 82%
- Springhall: 84%
- McDonald: 83%
- Perez: 92%

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- Moser: 68%
- Mair: 83%
- Fraser: 84%
- Harrington: 70%

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- Brannan: 73%
- Salter: 100%
- Munro: 100%

I encourage you to stay active and involved in your students' education. This high level of parental support and engagement contributes to the success of our students. The parents who did not attend Curriculum Night will be receiving handouts from their child's teacher in our effort to keep each and every family informed about the program in their student's classroom.

The next major way to communicate with teachers is Parent-Teacher Conferences which will be held prior to Thanksgiving break. We always conference with 100 percent of our parents. If you are a parents of a child in grades 3-5 and have not yet signed up for a conference, please contact your child's teacher right away. (Sign-ups were held at Curriculum Night.) Thank you for your continued support of our work at Coe. We appreciate you and realize full well our high level of success is due to your support. You are invaluable to us!

Virginia

## **Handbook Highlight**

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

### **Pets**

For the safety of all, dogs cannot be brought into the building nor can dogs be on the school grounds. This is district policy. Tying dogs up in areas near building doorways is not allowed. Not all children are comfortable around dogs, even those with gentle temperaments and good manners. Please do the safe thing and do not bring dogs onto school grounds. The principal may occasionally make exceptions to this rule and give special permission for pets to be brought to school as part of a classroom activity.

## **Technology Corner**

Grades 3-5 students are practicing the log in procedure for *Typing Agent*. Parents should have received information about *Typing Agent* as well as student username and password information. Please make sure your child practices keyboarding for 10 minutes each night.

Grade 2 students are learning how to use *CultureGrams*. They are doing research on countries in Europe.

Grade 1 students are getting ready to take the MAP test. This exam tells teachers where students are academically and what they need to be taught to grow. Test are given in reading and math.

Kindergarten students are getting to know how to use the mouse. They are learning about letters and colors using *Starfall*.

Mr. Z, Technology Instructor

## **Safety Patrol Recruiting**



Calling all current 4<sup>th</sup> graders...are you interested in serving as a Coe Elementary Student Safety Patrol?!

Ms. Soike is looking for 4<sup>th</sup> grade students who are interested in serving as student safety patrols. Students will need to be 10 years old or turn 10 years old in October 2016. Selected students will be trained and begin duty in October.

In order to apply to serve as a safety patrol, students must meet the following requirements:

- Must be at least 10 years old (by October 2016)
- Serve as a leader and model Coe Elementary positive behavioral expectations, “Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Coe”
- Submit student application/teacher recommendation
- Parent permission
- Hearing and vision screening complete

Application packets are available in the office. Please carefully review all of the information in the packet and be sure that you understand the responsibilities and duties expected of a safety patrol. Please submit your application (including parent permission form, teacher recommendation and handbook signature form) to the patrol application envelope in the main office by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Training Details:

- One after school classroom instruction session, 2:15-3:00 (Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>)
- Two days of supervised on-site training, before and after school (October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:35-7:55 am and 2:00-2:20 pm, following completion of classroom session)

## PTA NEWS:

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Next week Kearns Library will be filled with excitement as Coe hosts the annual Scholastic Book Fair! The fair is the PTA's primary fundraiser for the library and all proceeds will go toward purchasing new books and library materials for our students. You will find hundreds of high quality Scholastic books for the whole family, and our Kearns librarian, Ms. Marjorie, will be offering personalized book recommendations. You will also have the opportunity to support your student's teacher by donating a book from their wish list to their classroom library.

The book fair will be open to visitors before and after school, plus special evening hours on Tuesday:

- Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-8:30 a.m., 1:00-3:00 p.m., 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>: 7:30-8:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> 7:30-8:30 a.m., 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Prefer to shop online? Purchase books at [www.scholastic.com/fair](http://www.scholastic.com/fair) from September 22nd through October 5<sup>th</sup> and all sales will be credited towards our book fair.

Calling all volunteers: We need your help running the book fair! We need help with setup, tear down, and working shifts before and after school as a cashier. We also need volunteers to dress up as a Clifford or Geronimo Stilton mascot and help the kids get excited about the fair! To find out about available shifts you can email [amy\\_laybourn@yahoo.com](mailto:amy_laybourn@yahoo.com) or visit the SignUpGenius page at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090549aea72ba13-coebook>. Thanks for your help!

## **General PTA Meetings**

Our first General PTA Meeting is Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. General meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of the month most of the time. There are a few exceptions so always check the school web site or the bulletin for exact dates and times. We encourage all parents and guardians to attend when possible. If childcare is available, it will be advertised the week before the meeting. PTA meetings will consist of some administrative updates, the principal's report, a teacher's report, a PTA budget update, and news about upcoming school events. Some meetings will also include a guest speaker or Coe staff presentation on a relevant topic, such as district assessments, parenting topics, or community concerns (i.e. overcrowding, district changes, etc.). Meetings are held from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in Kearns Library.

## **IslandWood Fundraising**

A big thank you to our volunteer bakers, sellers, and to those who stopped by the Curriculum Night bake sale to support the 2017-18 class trip to IslandWood! We raised \$425.83 thanks to many generous donations. We have a number of fundraisers throughout the year. For questions or to get involved, contact Megan Olsen at [meganandtodd@gmail.com](mailto:meganandtodd@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Peterson at [eaepeterson@gmail.com](mailto:eaepeterson@gmail.com).

## **Coe Family Night with the Seattle Storm**

The night raised \$220 for Coe! Many thanks to the families who participated. With this final season win, the Seattle Storm women's basketball team will be going to the finals. We may have a chance to participate again in the spring so stay tuned.

## **Back to School Bash**

It was a great turn out in terms of families and weather at the Back to School Bash last week. Many thanks to all those who were able to attend and helped with planning, execution, set up, and break down. It was great to have so many tables for activity signups represented. If you weren't able to attend or didn't find the information you were looking for please feel free to email [president.copta@gmail.com](mailto:president.copta@gmail.com).

## **Coe Garden Party**

The Coe Garden Party was a success! Thanks to the Nichols and Gladwish families, and Jason from the school district, we spread six yards of mulch in the beds next to the playground, under the front cedar trees, and outside two of the kindergarten rooms. This is important to protect the health of the shrubs and large trees that provide shade and natural beauty on our school campus.

I am looking for parents to help plant a daffodil garden on site. If you are interested let me know. I would need two or three parents and it would be a couple of hours in October, preferably on a Friday afternoon during school hours. Contact me if you are interested: Page Crutcher (parent and landscape coordinator) at [pagecrutcher@yahoo.com](mailto:pagecrutcher@yahoo.com).

## **Journey with an Afghan School**

### **Kickoff Bake Sale and Janet W. Ketcham Foundation Award to Coe Community**

Thank you to everyone who baked, sold, and bought treats at our Back 2 School Bash bake sale. We raised a record \$697.06! For those families new to Coe, here's a little history of this project: In 2002, Coe adopted a school for girls in Afghanistan and for the past 14 years Coe students have raised money to help support our sister school. We've built a well; bought desks; added classrooms; sponsored teacher-training workshops; built a library and filled it with books; and much more. If you're interested in helping out this year, please email Lisa Cohen at [lisacohen411@icloud.com](mailto:lisacohen411@icloud.com) or Elizabeth Peterson at [eaepeterson@gmail.com](mailto:eaepeterson@gmail.com).

This year Sahar Education will be recognizing this partnership at their annual fundraiser. We are so honored! Here is a note from Sahar:

*On October 27<sup>th</sup>, Sahar will honor the students, staff, and parents of Coe Elementary with the Janet W. Ketcham Award at their 4th annual dinner, Empowering Afghan Girls with Technology. Sahar gives this award every year at their annual dinner to recognize an outstanding contribution to girls' education in Afghanistan. To date, more than 23,000 girls have been served by schools funded by the Janet W. Ketcham Foundation, including the students that Coe has supported over the last 14 years.*

Six Coe students will be present to accept this award on behalf of all who have contributed to this important work. For more information about how to attend Sahar's annual dinner, visit [sahareducation.org/2016/07/join-us-for-our-fall-event/](http://sahareducation.org/2016/07/join-us-for-our-fall-event/). Tickets are available for purchase until October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you/Tashakor!

## **Cougar Spirit Wear**

Show your school spirit with Coe Cougars t-shirts and hoodies! T-shirts are available in black or white with a classic collegiate design, both short sleeve (\$12) and long sleeve (\$16) in youth and adult sizes. Heather grey hooded sweatshirts are \$25 and are also available for both youth and adult sizes. Items are in stock and will be delivered to your student's classroom within a couple days. To view styles, see the glass case in the atrium. Order forms are attached to this bulletin and are also available in the office, or email Amy Laybourn at amy\_laybourn@yahoo.com for an electronic form. All proceeds support the PTA.

Coe PTA is looking for a volunteer to help with Coe Cougar Wear this year. Learn the ropes filling orders and keeping the spirit wear organized and in stock. You might even create a new design! This is a fun job that needs an assistant this year in preparation to take over the position next school year. Time commitment is mostly at the start of the school year and is flexible - probably half an hour once a week delivering orders to classrooms. Please contact Amy at amy\_laybourn@yahoo.com for more details if you are interested.

## **AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:**

### **Debate Club**

4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students: Debate Club meets on Tuesdays from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m. in Room 108. Debate is a great way to improve public speaking, reasoning and listening skills, and develop confidence. The *DebateAble* program teaches critical thinking, public speaking skills, teamwork, and empathy in a relaxed, positive environment. Using games and other activities, including speeches and debates, students learn to formulate and present *both sides* of any argument as well as listen and respond to the arguments of others.

The fourteen session season begins October 4<sup>th</sup> and ends with a mini debate match on January 24<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$230 per student. Find out more at [www.debateablekids.com](http://www.debateablekids.com).

### **After School Hoops® by One on One Basketball**

Join One on One Basketball at Coe Elementary for After School Hoops®. Our instructors will not only teach your child athletic fundamentals through progressive drills, engaging cardio, and fun competitions, but we will use these fundamentals as a platform to teach life-skill lessons that reinforce positive attitudes about effort, respect, cooperation, and self-control. After School Hoops® makes three guarantees: your child will learn, sweat, and have fun! For grades K-5: Mondays, 2:05-3:15 p.m. (split court), October 3<sup>rd</sup> - December 12<sup>th</sup>.

<http://seattle-washington.1on1basketball.com/programs-listing/after-school>

## **Archery Club**

Mr. Murray is offering Archery Club on a new day and time. Archery Club has been moved to Friday afternoons from 2:05 to 3:05 p.m. The fall session will begin on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> and run until Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. This after school program takes place in the gym and is available to students in grades 3 through 5. See registration form for full details. Registration forms are available in the main office or email Mr. Murray at [rjmurray@seattleschools.org](mailto:rjmurray@seattleschools.org) for an electronic copy.

## **Unicycle Club**

Mr. Murray is offering Unicycle Club on Thursday afternoons from 2:05 to 3:05 p.m. Unicycle Club will have a fall session beginning on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and running through Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. This after school program takes place in the gym and is available to students in grades 3 through 5. See registration form for full details. Registration forms are available in the main office or email Mr. Murray at [rjmurray@seattleschools.org](mailto:rjmurray@seattleschools.org) for an electronic copy.

## **Skate Club**

Have loads of fun learning the exciting art of skating at all levels from beginner basic, safety, freestyle slalom, and even advanced cool tricks! Skates, pads, and helmets are provided upon request. Limited to 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Skate Club starts Wednesday October 5<sup>th</sup> and runs through December 14<sup>th</sup>, after school from 2:05 to 3:45 p.m. in the gym. Cost is \$160 for an 8-week course with gear rental included. Enrollment forms can be found in the office or contact Tamara at 206-949-1967, Mason at 206-396-0143 or email [tamara@skatejourners.org](mailto:tamara@skatejourners.org) with any questions you might have. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **Hip-Pop Dance by Metropolis Dance**

This upbeat dance class gets the students movin' and groovin' to pop and hip-hop music. Each class incorporates synchronized stretching, energetic dance warm-ups, and of course, dance games! Students learn a choreographed dance routine throughout the course and an invitation to perform at our Metropolis Dance Show! Please note: participation in our dance show requires media release consent at registration.

Tuesday, October 4 - December 6 (no class November 22), 2:05-3:10 p.m., cost \$150, for grades 2 – 5.

Register at: [www.metropolisdance.com](http://www.metropolisdance.com). Email Annlee at: [info@metropolisdance.com](mailto:info@metropolisdance.com) for questions.

## **Math Olympiad**

Does your child crave additional math challenge? Math Olympiad is a club for kids who enjoy solving math problems in creative ways. The overall structure of the club is competitive. However, Mr. Brannan teaches the club in a way that is accepting of students' current abilities, yet challenges students to stretch their thinking in different directions. Due to its challenging nature, the club is for students in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade only.

This year's Math Olympiad will be from 2:15- 3:15 p.m. on Tuesdays from October 4<sup>th</sup> through March 28<sup>th</sup> (20 sessions, no class on October 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>). Registration forms can be found in the office. Contact Mr. Brannan at [jdbrannan@seattleschools.org](mailto:jdbrannan@seattleschools.org) for more information.

## **Performing Arts Opportunities**

If your child enjoys performing arts, please consider enrolling them for Choir or Musical Theatre Club. Paper forms were provided to classroom teachers and additional copies can be found in the office. Completed forms should be returned to the envelopes on the bulletin board inside the office. **Musical Theatre Club applications are due on Thursday September 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**K-2 – Cub Choir** - Tuesdays from 2:15 to 2:45 p.m. Assembly performances and second session will culminate in an opening act performance for the Coe School Musical. Kindergarten families should consider waiting until the second session to sign up, some cubs are ready to extend their day but some are not.

**3-5 – Show Choir** - Mondays from 2:15 to 3:00 p.m. Assembly performances and second session will culminate with an integrated role in the Coe Musical Theatre Club's performance of Alice in Wonderland Junior.

**4-5 - Musical Theatre Club** - Thursdays from 2:15 to 3:45 p.m. Two fully costumed and staged performances of Alice in Wonderland Junior. This is a popular program; students must apply and be accepted into the club.

## **Chess Club**

Many parents have expressed interest in Chess Club as an after school activity. Unfortunately, we do not currently have an interested parent/community member to lead such a group. If you are interested in taking this on, please contact Virginia Turner at [vturner@seattleschools.org](mailto:vturner@seattleschools.org) for more information.

## **DISTRICT NEWS:**

### **Advanced Learning 2016-17 Eligibility and Testing Timeline**

**Student Referral Period, Grades K-8 (Sept. 7 - Oct. 6, 2016)**

The window for referring students for Advanced Learning testing closes October 6. Referrals in English are done online, using the Source (which is the parent portal for individual student information.) Translated forms are available on the district

website: <http://www.seattleschools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=627&pageId=1548870>

If you have questions, please contact Mary Mills (mamills@seattleschools.org, 206-252-0182) or Matt Okun (mjokun@seattleschools.org, 206-252-0033.)

If you have trouble accessing the Source, please check here for information: <http://www.seattleschools.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=627&pageId=16245> or email: sourcesupport@seattleschools.org .

## COMMUNITY NEWS:

### **Fair Tickets**

We have free gate admission tickets to the Puyallup Fair for students, ages 6 to 18. The fair runs through September 25<sup>th</sup>. Stop by the office if you would like tickets.

### **Creative Adventures**

An after school program developed by two teachers for children, 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Creative Adventures will offer enrichment activities Tuesday and Thursday afternoons beginning in October 2016. A teacher will meet students at Coe and walk to a nearby home in the neighborhood, where they will have a snack and time to work on homework, followed by a project each week selected from the following enrichment areas: art, cooking, science, or sewing, as well as MakerStation activities and math games. For more information or to register please contact Barbie Kelly, former Coe parent and PTA Board Member, at [barbarakelly4216@gmail.com](mailto:barbarakelly4216@gmail.com) or 206-284-4216.

### **One on One Basketball**

**Pre-Season Player Development** (ages 6-15) starts next week at Ravenna, Queen Anne, and Meadowbrook Community Centers, and Bush School. A nationally renowned progressive basketball individual skills class.

**One on One Instructional Basketball League** (Grades K-2) at Meadowbrook Community Center (Saturday Mornings) begins November 5<sup>th</sup>. Learn to play the One on One way! Weekly fundamental skills stations and scrimmages.

**School Day Off Hoops Camp** at Meadowbrook Community Center, Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. On your day off from school don't stay home bored, come get better!

Space is limited. Check the schedule of classes below and register today:

<http://seattle-washington.1on1basketball.com/>

## **Full Circle Kids Camp**

Coinciding with Seattle Public School closures, Full Circle Kids is offering three camps during the 2016/17 school year:

- 3rd-5th grade: Fri. Oct. 14th, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (no school)
- K-2nd grade: Wed. Feb. 1st, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (no school)
- K-2nd grade: Feb. 20-24th, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (no school)

Full Circle Kids is a physical activity camp, where kids get a ton of exercise through fun games and activities. They also learn some really important things to be happy, healthy, and safe. Camps are held at Martial Sports, 101 Nickerson St., Seattle 98109.

To learn more, to register, or to hear what kids and parents are saying about Full Circle Kids, visit <https://www.loriramage.com/full-circle-kids.html>.