

News for the Washington community
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Literacy Night has been postponed due to poor air quality. It will be rescheduled for later this year.

Does your child need to improve their reading or writing? Come to Literacy Night tonight for a fun and informative event tonight in the cafeteria from 6-8 pm and learn how you can help. FREE family dinner from 6-6:30, then parents and kids split up - parents will work with our literacy coaches while kids play reading games and activities. At 7:30, we'll gather together again in the cafeteria for games and FREE resources! Students can get a Homework Pass for attending!

Parent-Teacher Conferences Hopefully, you've already had a parent-teacher conference where you learned about your child's strengths and weaknesses, and how you can support their growth this year. If you haven't had your conference, please don't delay in scheduling with your child's teacher.

African American Unity Group asks: how can we best support our children of African descent, so that all children at Washington rise? We meet monthly to plan events and have discussions. Next meeting is November 26, with a presentation on Individualized Education Plans by <u>Alicia Coleman Clark</u>

Dance Party in the cafeteria: as a way to get some energy out on these inside days, we showed off our smooth moves after lunch yesterday. It turns out that 4th and 5th grades love to make a Conga line, 2nd grade can Floss like nobody's business and well, even Principal Hazen likes to dance! A good time was had by all!

Air Quality - we are following Superintendent Evans' recommendations and updates very closely and will keep you abreast of any new developments.

Events coming up:

Nov 15 Literacy Night and ELAC @ 6 pm

Nov 19 - 23 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Week

Nov 27 6 - 7:30 pm African American Unity Group AAUG sponsors IEP - a presentation by Alicia Coleman Clark

Nov 29 1:30 pm Berkeley High Jazz Assembly

Nov 30 8:10 am All Rhino Assembly

Dec 5 5:30 pm African American Unity Group meets in Library

Dec 7 9:30 am 4th grade Opera performance

Dec 14 Assemblies Unique Derrique 1 & 1:40 pm

Winter Party 6 pm

Dec 21 8:10 am All Rhino Assembly

Thank you for all your support of Washington!