

# Rhino Roar



*News for the Washington community*

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The BUSD Board of Education has asked for a survey of Elementary School families about the timing of on-campus reopening of our ECE and elementary schools.

**PLEASE [RESPOND TO THIS SURVEY](#) NO LATER THAN 8:00 pm on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18.**

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Estimadas Familias de BUSD,

El Board of Education (Mesa Directiva de Educación) de BUSD ha solicitado una encuesta para las familias de ECE (preescolar) y de primaria acerca del momento para la reapertura en el plantel escolar de las escuelas ECE (preescolares) y primarias en BUSD.

**SOLICITAMOS UNA [RESPUESTA A ESTA ENCUESTA](#) ANTES DE LAS 8 PM DEL DOMINGO 18 OCTUBRE**

Calendar Updates:

- October 30 will be a regular school day.

- Veteran’s Day November 11 NO SCHOOL
- Parent-teacher conference week: November 16 - 20
- NO SCHOOL on Nov. 20 for parent-teacher report card conferences

Your Washington PTA invites you to a general meeting on 10/22 @ 6pm on the topic of “What Do I Need to Know About Possible School Reopening?” [Link to Zoom here](#). If you have burning questions that you want to make sure are answered, [please submit them in advance here](#) . You can also share your ideas for future PTA Meeting topics.

**Join the fun on International Walk and Roll Week:** Monday-Friday, October 19-23, 2020

The students, parents, and teachers at Washington will celebrate International Walk and Roll Week from October 19 -23. This is a great opportunity to celebrate our health, the environment, and our school spirit. With the suggestions below, we’re hoping every student will participate.

**What’s going on?**

- Lots of walking and rolling!
- Individual “passports” for students to track progress and log activities.
- Fun theme days every day!
- Activities for kids to do in their neighborhood or inside their homes.
- Drawing for prizes for kids of all ages.
- **A physically distant celebration!**
- While students are learning at home, students and their families should take active breaks throughout the school day. Kick off this healthy practice with this fun walking and rolling experience in your neighborhood, while maintaining physical distance.
- Visit the IW&RW website to [download](#) the “passport” or [fill it out online](#) and log your activity! Students who complete the passport can enter into the prize drawing – a scooter and helmet for elementary students, and a gift card to a sporting goods store for middle and high school students. Students can e-mail a picture of their completed passport to [info@alamedacountysr2s.org](mailto:info@alamedacountysr2s.org), or text a picture to (510) 459-4137.
- Post a fun photo to celebrate the week on social media! Don’t forget to tag @AlamedaCoSR2S on Twitter with #WalktoSchoolDay and #WalkAndRollWeek, and post on Facebook at [facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/).

Your Washington PTA invites you to a special (distanced, masked) event: on Saturday, October 31 from 11:30 am to 4 pm: students and families are invited to come (in costume if you celebrate) to the orange gate to take their picture with a life sized cut out of Coach Don in one of his amazing Halloween costumes as Cruella DeVille! PTA volunteers (masked and gloved) will be on hand to give candy (through a long tube) to spread only joy!

More Fun Fall Activities:

- Monster Mash Dance Party! 10/29 from 12 - 12:30 pm online with Mr. Leaks! [Link to Zoom here](#)

If your child is absent for any reason, please email [washingtonattendance@berkeley](mailto:washingtonattendance@berkeley). and copy your child's teacher. Thank you!

If you use the school lunches provided by BUSD, please fill out the meal applications on [ezmealapp.com](http://ezmealapp.com).

We encourage all parents/guardians to join Illuminate Home Connect this school year! This is the portal for parents/guardians to view grades, assignments and attendance data. See [here](#) for how to access.

Questions or concerns? Please email Principal Katia Hazen at [katiahazen@berkeley.net](mailto:katiahazen@berkeley.net)

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