

ALKI MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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WHERE OUR LEGACY IS VALUING EVERY STUDENT

JUNE 2022

Greetings Alki families!

As we come to the conclusion of the school year, I want to thank the Alki community for making my second year as the principal here a rewarding and enjoyable experience. The work of teaching and learning is essential to the functioning of our society and I am so thankful to help in that work with all of you. As we continue to focus on creating a school that has a kind and respectful culture and ensures high levels of learning for every student, Alki Middle School will continue to show improvement. My goal as principal is to help create the conditions where everyone (parents, students, and staff) works together to support each student to meet all measures of student learning placed before them.

Coming out of a two year pandemic, I will be the first one to admit we have work to do. I suspect we have all misjudged the impact Covid has had on our kids, and on ourselves. I won't rest until all students are demonstrating the kind of success where they are "empowered to create a better world" and ready to move on to high school and beyond. I look forward to the challenge of continuing our work to improve the culture, learning, and performance of our school. Thank you for your support!

For those of you moving on to the high school next year, I wish you great success. It has been a pleasure to partner with you the last few years to educate your child and prepare them for what life brings beyond our doors. Middle school can be a rough time for some, but I have seen plenty of students who struggled in middle school blossom in high school as they mature just that much more, and figure out who they want to become. Wonderful things await those who seek them. Best wishes for a safe summer!

Empower students to create a better world,
Mark Cain

Principal, Alki Middle School

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Working to empower students to create a better world!

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ALKI MIDDLE SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT:

JUNE 2022

Striving to create a learning environment that empowers every student by providing engaging academic programs and positive social experiences for all

Mark Cain - Principal
Doug Warner - Associate Principal
Sean Ryan - Dean of Students/Athletic Director



Our Office Staff is always ready
to serve you!

Lois Brace - Secretary
Kelly Newcomb - Registrar

OFFICE HOURS:

8:00 am - 4:00 pm
313-3200

Jennifer Stelter—Attendance
Alki.attendance@vansd.org

313-3220

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS:

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Erin Redd - Business Office
313-3210

Please try and keep phone
calls and items dropped off
to a minimum. This prevents
classroom interruptions for
optimal student learning.
Thank you for your help!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- June 8th—7th/8th Gr. iPad Collection
- June 9th—6th Gr. iPad Collection
- June 10th—All Books Need to be Returned
- June 15th—Talent Show—am /2 Hour Early Release
- June 16th—Last Day of School/8th Grade Celebration
12:15—1:45/2 Hour Early Release

**IF YOUR STUDENT WILL NOT BE HERE ON
THEIR IPAD RETURN DATE, PLEASE BE SURE
THEY TURN IN THEIR IPAD, BRICK AND CORD
BEFORE THEY LEAVE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR.**

**If your student has medication at the school, please contact
our nurse, Joy Feltz—joy.feltz@vansd.org to set up a
scheduled pick up time. We can not send medication home
with students and we will not keep medication for the next
school year—any remaining medication will be discarded
per VPS policy.**

2022-2023 Counselors

6th Grade Counselor—Patty Kelly
7th Grade Counselor—Ryan Wagoner
8th Grade Counselor—Natasha Medina



VPS Is Hiring!

Are you, or do you know someone who would be a great addition to our Vancouver Public Schools (VPS) team? Did you know that VPS hosts monthly Substitute and Classified Candidate Day interviews for qualified applicants?



Vancouver Public Schools is now hiring for full-time, part-time, substitute, and seasonal employees in the following areas:

**Paraeducators
Bus drivers
Coaches**

**Cafeteria Assistants
Custodial Assistants**

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

Vancouver Public Schools is an equal opportunity district in education programs, activities, services, and employment. The district does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, including gender expression or identity, age, families with children, honorably discharged veterans or military status, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal. The district provides equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups. The district complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Older Worker Protection Act, and all other state, federal, and local equal opportunity laws. You may contact any of the following people at 2901 Bell St., Vancouver, Washington, 98661, or by writing to them at Vancouver School District, PO Box 8907, Vancouver, Washington 98668-8907 or by calling 360-317-1000: ADA—Kathy Everidge (kathy.everidge@vpsd.org); Title VII, 504—Steve Vance (steve.vance@vpsd.org); IDCA—Daniel Betts (daniel.betts@vpsd.org); Affirmative Action/Title IX—Kathy Everidge (kathy.everidge@vpsd.org); Title IX Elementary—Kristle Lindholm (kristle.lindholm@vpsd.org); Title IX Secondary—Bill Oman (bill.oman@vpsd.org); Athletic Equity—Jim Gray (james.gray@vpsd.org). This notification can be provided in the appropriate language for communities of national origin and minority persons with limited English language skills by contacting 360-317-1250.

[Click Here to Apply Online](#)

VANCOUVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN
SUMMER ARTS WORKSHOPS
MEDICAL TREATMENT CONSENT FORM

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY GIVES PERMISSION AND AUTHORIZES

Student Legal Name: _____

To attend the **Summer Arts Workshops**, Dates of Attendance between **July 25** thru **August 5, 2022**.

Consent for Medical Treatment

This is to authorize emergency medical care and treatment for my son/daughter in my absence. Every reasonable effort will be made to contact me if such action is necessary.

FAMILY PHYSICIAN

HOSPITAL PREFERENCE

NAME OF INSURANCE CARRIER

GROUP/CHART NUMBER

If your student will need to bring prescribed medication, the Authorization for Medication Administration form (enclosed) must be completed and signed by the health care provider and parent/guardian. For over-the-counter medications, please check with your school nurse for procedure.

DOES YOUR CHILD TAKE ANY MEDICATION? _____ If yes please list: _____

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ANY HEALTH CONCERNS THAT THE TEACHER NEEDS TO BE AWARE OF? _____

I UNDERSTAND THAT THE STUDENT WILL BE SUPERVISED BY SCHOOL AUTHORITIES AND THAT EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE STUDENT SAFETY.

I WILL ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR MY CHILD.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME

PHONE/RELATIONSHIP

(Complete Registration Form on Back) →

FREE Summer Arts Workshops



Session A - July 25-29-2022 • 9 am - 12 noon

- or -

Session B - August 1-5, 2022 • 9 am - 12 noon

• **Recess Games** (Grades 1-5 in 2021-22)

Location: Lincoln

We will be learning and exploring traditional recess games and etiquette such as Four Square/Wallball/Red Light, Green Light/Gaga Ball etc. Students will learn teamwork and sportsmanship in group games and sports.

• **Fit-Tastic** (Session A Gr. 2-3) - (Session B Gr. 4-5)

Location: Ogden

Student will be participating in a variety of fun, fitness activities and games.

• **Improv Theatre** (Grades 6-8 in 2021-22)

Location: Ogden

Students will work on theatre skills and have fun in a low-risk improv performance class. Students will learn theatre games that build skills like teamwork, risk taking, creativity, and thinking on their feet! Students will act in scenes that they make-up on the spot. This class is like the tv show "Who's Line is it Anyway?"

• **Texture, Texture, Texture** (Grades 3-5 in 2021-22)

Location : Ogden

A workshop that explores texture through clay, paint, yarn, and many other mediums! Students will learn how to use these materials to make beautiful textured and cultural art.

• **Dance Planet** (Grades 2-4 in 2021-22)

Location: Ogden

Students will learn dances and explore cultures from around the world.

• **Watercolor Techniques**

Location: Lincoln (Grades 4-8 in 2021-22)

We will explore watercolor techniques including wet on wet, dry on wet, color blending using salt and plastic wrap for texture effects, and even some hand lettering for personalizing

• **Artist Study** (Session A - Gr. 2-5) - (Session B - Gr. 2-5)

Location: Lincoln

Session A - Georgia O'Keefe - Painting/giant paper flowers
Session B - Mizuki Goto - Painting/collage/textures/landscapes.

Explore the art forms of the artist using different mediums, vocabulary and create an interactive notebook.

• **Summer Choir** (Grades 3-8 in 2021-22)

Location: Ogden

Students will learn sheet music reading, harmonization, dynamics and choral singing techniques as they join together to form a choir.

We will be following state Covid guidelines and local health officials' recommendations during in-person learning.

• Please print •

Student's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Current School: _____

2021-22 Grade _____

Home Address: _____

Best Contact Number: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name (other than parent): _____

Emergency Contact Number : _____

Relationship to student: _____

Pick only **ONE**. (Student may not participate in both sessions.)

Session A - July 25 - 29 - or - Session B - August 1 - 5

Pick only **ONE** Session

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recess Games | <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Planet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fit-Tastic
(Session A - Grades 2-3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Color
Techniques |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (Session B - Grades 4-5) | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Choir |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improv Theatre | <input type="checkbox"/> Artist Study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Texture, Texture,
Texture | <input type="checkbox"/> (Session A - Grade 2-5) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> (Session B - Grade 2-5) |

Completed registration, consent/medial forms are due no later than Friday, June 10, 2022.

Scan and Email: Libby.Odren@vansd.org

or Take to your school office

or Mail to: Libby Odren - JPC - VaPA
2901 Falk Rd, Vancouver, WA 98661

Questions: Email: Traci.Young@vansd.org

(Must Complete Consent/Medial Form on Back)



2022 Summer Sports Physicals

Sponsored by
Vancouver Public Schools
Family Medicine of Southwest Washington

———— Available to Vancouver Public School students entering 6th through 12th grades ————

These physicals are provided by volunteers and are meant to target those athletes with difficulty accessing care or who **do not have health insurance**. These exams are not meant to replace regular health visits with your primary care provider*. *If you have access to primary care, please have your sports physical performed there.*

*Students with known cardiac, asthma, diabetes and/or seizure related issues or other conditions of concern cannot be served. If an abnormality is found, you will be referred to your primary care provider before being cleared for your sport.

August 11, 2022 @ Hudson's Bay High School

1:00 – 2:30 pm last name starting with A – K

3:00 – 4:45 pm last name starting with L – Z

No appointment necessary

August 18, 2022 @ Fort Vancouver High School

1:00 – 2:30 pm last name starting with A – K

3:00 – 4:45 pm last name starting with L – Z

No appointment necessary

Students please bring:

- WIAA Sports Physical Form with you with the medical history portion completed before your physical.
- Wear loose fitting shorts and a t-shirt
- Signed permission slip IF NOT ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Forms are available at the school business office, and can be downloaded from our website at www.vansd.org

(Click on Athletics, scroll down to Forms and click on Physical form and/or Parent Consent form).

****Those experiencing symptoms of COVID, have had exposure to someone who had COVID within the previous 14 days, or have had a positive COVID test in the past 10 days will not be allowed to have a physical completed****

Your child may be eligible for free or low-cost medical, dental and vision coverage through Washington Apple Health for Kids. You can find out more information or apply at the sports physicals. If you would like to apply, please bring proof of all household income, birth certificates for your children, and picture ID for your children 16 years and older.

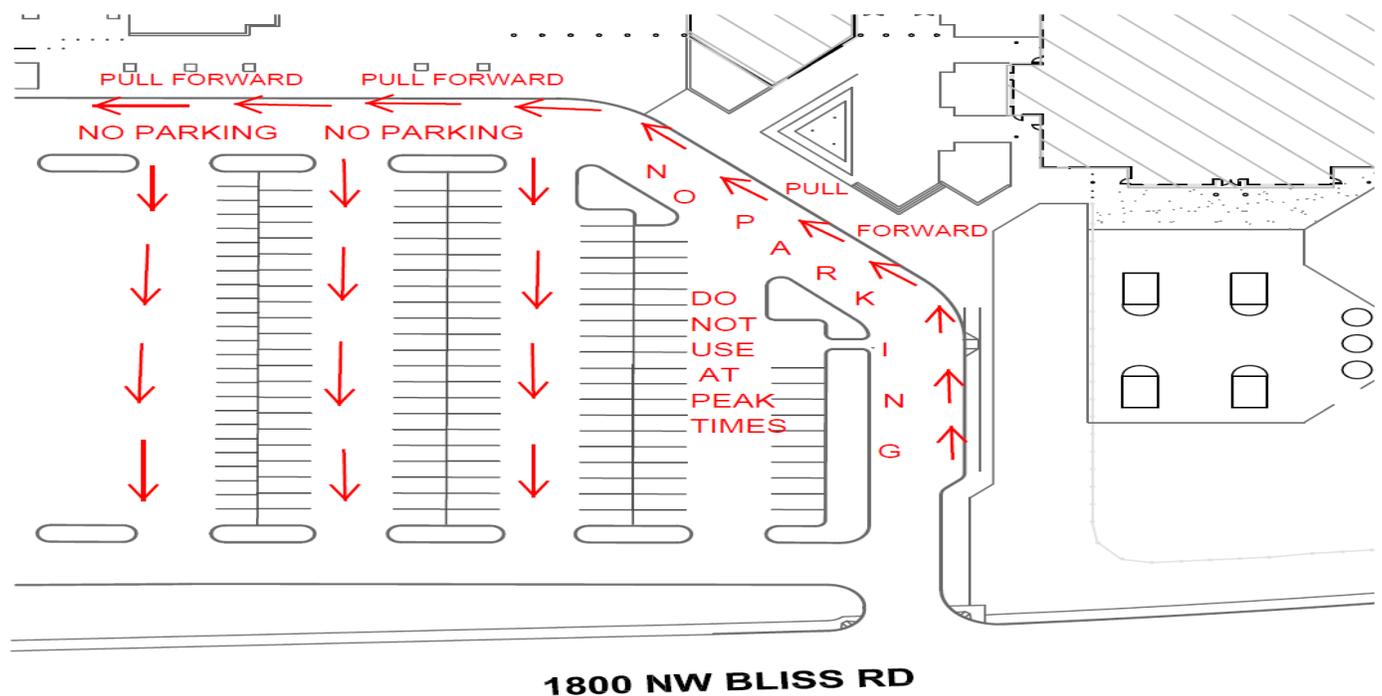
PARKING LOT SAFETY- Parent Drop off and Pick-up

Dear Alki Families:

In order to minimize hazards to students we are asking drivers to follow these procedures to ensure a safe pick up and drop off in the Alki parking lot:

- Pick up time in the afternoon is 3:30-3:40
- Please only travel east to west in the driveway when picking up and dropping off, then turn left to head south toward the exit, avoiding the first aisle.
- Pull as far forward as possible and continue doing so as cars pull out. We will be asking students to wait further west on the sidewalk rather than in front of the office.
- Form ONE line next to the curb when waiting in your car. Do not stop in the middle of the driveway to pick up or drop off your student.
- Remain in your car unless you are parked in a parking space
- Please find a parking space if there is no room along the curb. Students will be asked to use the cross walks to get to the parking area.
- Do not park or stop your car in front of any ORANGE CONES.

Please be aware that school zone traffic laws are in effect all year. Watch for the yellow flashing light and remember to slow down—20 miles per hour—and stop at crosswalks whenever students are present. Use caution when entering and parking in the Alki parking lot.





Alki Middle School PTSA 3.7.86



Alki Parents,

As we come to the end of this school year, I would like to thank all of you for your support to Alki and our students. We just approved 7 projects in our Beautify Alki Project, and those will benefit our whole school community.

I would also like to ask for your help. If you are an 8th grade parent we need some help setting up, during and cleaning up after the graduation celebration. If you are able to help some time on June 16th, please contact president@alkiptsa.org.

Our PTSA is also looking for a new President. If you or someone you know may be able to help in this position, we would appreciate your help. Click on the following link for the President Nomination Form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvI6xXKxNc5ygRfA8VVmIJNEq_ERFY4MmyAJpEYrEIM2iNGQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

I hope the end of the school year brings some rest and relaxing times for your student and families. We hope to see you next year.

Together we can!

Ivonne Almazan
PTSA President
Alki Middle School