



*Our Mission: Together, provide the tools and experiences **every** student needs to create an individual, viable and valued path to lifelong personal success.*

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April 30, 2023

Shadow Lake Families and Community,

WOW! The Tiger Pride was overflowing last Thursday evening! Our Celebration of Learning was outstanding! Thank you to every family that attended our biggest event of the year. The Celebration of Learning is an annual tradition and opportunity for every student to highlight their learning within our community. So much Tiger Pride: the Science Fair projects were amazing; kids were so proud to share their culture during the Culture Fair; the obstacle course that our P.E. teachers organized was a hit; the Art Auction made some money for our PTA; the courtyard was bustling with bubbles, dancing, photos with Shadow (our school mascot), PTA popcorn, and community conversations; the hallways were full of fantastic work, and the classrooms were full of proud students and families showing off their work! Impressive job, students, and staff, for displaying so much wonderful learning that has happened this year! Thank you to our families and community for coming to celebrate all that is at the World's Greatest Elementary! Thank you to our PTA for our collaborative partnership in supporting EVERY Tiger.



[Click here to view photos from the Celebration of Learning held on April 27](#)

With immense Tiger Pride,

Kellie Christiansen  
Principal

# What's Happening



## **MAY**

Asian / Pacific American Heritage, National Physical Fitness & Sports,  
& National Mental Health Awareness Month

Week of May 1  
TIGER TV VIDEO  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

[HERE](#) 

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade SBA Testing this month

## **WASHINGTON STATE SMARTER BALANCED TESTING (SBA) DATES**

Please try to avoid scheduling appointments during testing. Thank you!

### 5th GRADE

TUE 5/2- MATH CAT
WED 5/3- MATH PT
TUE 5/9- ELA CAT
WED 5/10- ELA PT
THU 5/11- ELA PT
THU 5/18- SCIENCE

### 4th GRADE

TUE 5/9- ELA CAT
WED 5/10- ELA PT
THU 5/11- ELA PT
TUE 5/16- MATH CAT
WED 5/17- MAT PT

### 3rd GRADE

TUE 5/2- ELA CAT
WED 5/3- ELA PT
THU 5/4- ELA PT
TUE 5/16- MATH CAT
WED 5/17- MATH PT

- MON 5/1 PAWS Reading Logs Due! Program details [here](#);  
Reading Logs for the year [here](#)
- TUE 5/2 7:30- 8:45 AM, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Pancake Breakfast
- TUE 5/2 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- WED 5/3 11:30 AM- 1:40 PM, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Bradley's Class Field Trip to Shadow Lake Bog
- WED 5/3 Workout Wednesday! Details and permission slip [here](#)
- THU 5/4 🎵 6:30- 7:30 PM, First Grade Music Concert "Pajama Party", SLES Commons 🎵
- 🏠 *May 8-12 is National Teacher Appreciation Week!* 🌸 FAQ: Staff Favorite Things [here](#)
- FRI 5/5 9:30- 11:20 AM, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Moffett's Class Field Trip to Shadow Lake Bog
- FRI 5/5 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday!  
Popcorn Friday; details [here](#)  
Early Release 1:20 PM
- SAT 5/6 6:40 PM, TAHOMA Family Night at the Mariners! 🚫 [Details here](#)
- MON 5/8 7:00- 8:00 PM, PTA Meeting, SLES Library
- TUE 5/9 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- 🐱 ❤️ 🧑🏻 *Wednesday, May 10 is National School Nurse Day... Thank you Nurse Munsell!*
- WED 5/10 10:45 AM - 1:15 PM First Grade Field Trip to Carco Theatre
- WED 5/10 Workout Wednesday! Details and permission slip [here](#)
- FRI 5/12 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday!  
Early Release 1:20 PM
- SUN 5/14 *Mother's Day*

# What's Happening



## MAY Continued-

- TUE 5/16 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- TUE 5/16 3:30- 6:30 PM, 23-24 Kindergarten Kickoff & Assessments (must be registered [here](#)) Day 1 of 2
- WED 5/17 Workout Wednesday! Details and permission slip [here](#)
- THU 5/18 3:30- 6:30 PM, 23-24 Kindergarten Kickoff & Assessments (must be registered [here](#)) Day 2 of 2
- FRI 5/19 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday! Early Release 1:20 PM  
Popcorn Friday; details [here](#)
- FRI 5/19 3:00- 6:00 PM District Elementary Track Meet; MVMS ~ GO Tigers! 🏃 Details [here](#)
- TUE 5/23 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Third Grade Field trip to Cheney Stadium
- TUE 5/23 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- WED 5/24 Workout Wednesday! Details and permission slip [here](#)
- THU 5/25 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Kindergarten Field Trip to Point Defiance Zoo
- FRI 5/26 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday! Early Release 1:20 PM
- MON 5/29 ❤️💙🇺🇸 Memorial Day ~ NO SCHOOL
- TUE 5/30 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- WED 5/31 Workout Wednesday! Details and permission slip [here](#)
- WED 5/31 6:00- 8:00 PM SLES Family Event: Carnival! 🎆 More details soon!

## JUNE

- THU 6/1 🎵 6:30- 7:30 PM Tiger Chorus (3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Grades) Spring Concert! SLES Commons
- FRI 6/2 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday! Early Release 1:20 PM
- FRI 6/2 5:00- 9:00 PM, Tiger Family Night at the Tacoma Rainiers, Cheney Stadium; Details [here](#)
- TUE 6/6 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- THU 6/8 🎵 6:30- 7:30 PM, Kindergarten Music “Three Piggy Opera”; SLES Commons
- FRI 6/9 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday! Early Release 1:20 PM
- June 9-11 Community Event: Maple Valley Days! More details here: <https://www.maplevalleydays.com/>*
- TUE 6/13 Spirit Day: Toons Tuesday!
- WED 6/14 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip; Woodland Park Zoo
- THU 6/15 Tahoma 🐾Pride! 7:00- 9:00 PM Tahoma High School Graduation, ShoWare Center
- FRI 6/16 Spirit Day: Tiger Pride // Blue Friday! Early Release 1:20 PM
- SUN 6/18 *Father's Day*
- MON 6/19 Juneteenth // NO SCHOOL
- 😁 *Stay tuned for Field Days, last week of school Spirit Week & more!*
- FRI 6/23 Last day of school // Dismissal 12:10 PM

# SHADOW LAKE PTA

## TIGER FAMILY NEWS LETTER

👉 4/30 PTA NEWSLETTER click here: [https://shadowlake.tahomasd.us/news/announcements/p\\_t\\_a\\_news- april 30](https://shadowlake.tahomasd.us/news/announcements/p_t_a_news- april 30)

Membership, events, volunteer & more here: <https://shadowlakepta.memberplanet.com>

PTA Board Member Contacts, Meetings & Volunteer Needs [HERE](#)



### YEARBOOK NEWS!

Online ordering OPEN- You can place your '22-'23 SHADOW LAKE YEARBOOK ONLINE TODAY! \$25 PER BOOK here: <https://fs4.formsite.com/FireFly/jyksprydxo/index>

Order Processing will be handled by Firefly Images. Can't remember your order status? Please contact Firefly Images directly at 206-790-3696 or email [fireflyimages@comcast.net](mailto:fireflyimages@comcast.net)

Do you have any great Shadow Lake student pictures? Please send your favorites via email to SLES Yearbook Coordinator, Hope Lash at [slestigeryearbook@gmail.com](mailto:slestigeryearbook@gmail.com) Thank you!



## FUTURE READY SPECIALIST NEWS

Below is a brief description of Future Ready Skills and books that our Tigers will be learning about in their Future Ready Classes this month. In May, we are celebrating **SELF-DIRECTED LEARNERS**. [TSD Future Ready skills information for parents here.](#)

~Liz Spencer, Future Ready Specialist; Email: [espencer@tahomasd.us](mailto:espencer@tahomasd.us)

### LEARNING TARGETS:

- K: I can ask "I Wonder?" Questions.*
- 1G: I can ask questions and seek help when needed.*
- 2G: I can take ownership of my learning.*
- 3G: I can set my own learning goal.*
- 4G: I can use resources for learning.*
- 5G: I can show perseverance in my learning.*

### FUTURE READY SKILLS

**WEEK 1 Growth Mindset, Fixed vs. Growth, Power of Yet, Grow Your Brain**  
(*"The Dot", "The Most Magnificent Thing"*)

**WEEK 2 Growth Mindset Week 2** (*"Positive Affirmations", "Positivity Challenge", "I Can Grow My Brain", "My Power of YET", "OWL Always Be Amazing"*)

**WEEK 3 Feelings, Mental Health** (*"In My Heart", "My Strong Mind", "My Strong Mind II"*.)

**WEEK 4 Gratitude** (*"Pass it On", "It's Tough to Lose Your Balloon", "Positive Ninja", "My Gratitude Jar"*)



# MUSIC SPECIALIST NEWS

Click [HERE](#) to check out the SLES Music Website

Beth Anne Mohr, *Music Specialist/Tiger Chorus Director*

Email: [bmohr@tahomasd.us](mailto:bmohr@tahomasd.us)



**Can you help?** We are in need of gently-used stuffed animals to be donated for our upcoming first grade program. If you have done any Spring Cleaning, feel free to drop off any stuffed animals gently-used and a foot or smaller in size to the office (there is a bin for our donations). We need 90 stuffed animals ASAP! The stuffed animals will not be returned to owner.

- Thursday, May 4 6:30 PM 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Music Concert, SLES Commons
- Thursday, June 1 6:30 PM Tiger Chorus (3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Zero Hour) Spring Concert, SLES Commons
- Thursday, June 8 6:30 PM Kindergarten Music Concert, SLES Commons

## ZERO HOUR

All Zero Hour schedules and notes [HERE](#).



*What is Zero Hour?* It is the hour before (or after) school that some staff are offering enrichment classes.

Parents: Please do not drop students off before 7:27 AM. Thank you!

## PE NEWS

With spring here, we will be having PE outdoors as much as possible. Please make sure your student brings a coat and dresses in layers on P.E. days!



  *Community event ahead: You are invited to sign-up and participate in the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Maple Valley Bear Run! It will be held on Saturday, June 17. Kids 12 and under will again participate for free (with a small registration fee) and get a free shirt (if registered soon!). The elementary school with the most participants will win some awesome bragging rights! Go Tigers! [More details here.](#)*

## Tigers are excited about Spring Zero Hour Track!

Students will learn the basics of good running form, try events ranging from sprinting to distance running, relays, and throwing for distance, and train for their end-of-season meet.

**What Time:** 7:30 am -8:30 am

**When:** Practices are on Mondays and Wednesdays on the following days:

The season ends with a district-wide elementary track meet at Maple View Middle School on **Friday, May 19th from 3-6pm!**

**Parent Note:** Transportation must be provided by parents to practices at 7:30am, as well as to and from the meet on May 19th.

M	W
4/17	4/19
4/24	4/26
5/1	5/3
5/8	5/10
5/15	5/17

 [Sign up HERE!](#) Go Tigers!

**Contact:** Please email Mrs. Nau at [snau@tahomasd.us](mailto:snau@tahomasd.us) with any questions.

## STEM SPECIALIST NEWS

Once again, our [Shadow Lake Elementary STEAM](#) team is participating in Survive the Sound. This online game uses funny fish avatars to represent real steelhead (a fish similar to salmon) that were tracked during research efforts led by a local nonprofit, Long Live the Kings. The tracking data lets scientists understand why the fish are dying and our students will see efforts happening to help solve the problem and create their own solution ideas. [Race with the Steelhead: Survive the Sound 2023](#)



Join our [Shadow Lake Elementary STEAM](#) team as a family here by **April 30:**

<https://survivesound.org/join-team?team=shadow-lake-elementary-steam>

Follow our [Shadow Lake Elementary STEAM](#) team and your favorite fish here from May 1-5:

<https://survivesound.org/home>

Log in with a parent email or by having the site assign you a username. Be sure to write down your username to log in on May 1 to cheer on your fish! Tap [HERE](#) for more info.

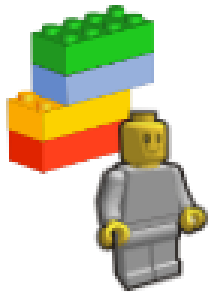
We just shipped a box of plastics to Terracycle!  
Thank you for your support!

[Terracycle news HERE \(page 2\)](#)



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## Got Legos?

Our SLES engineers thank you for your Lego donations—especially the mini-figs! Send to: Liz White

Check out [Tahoma Bear Metal Robotics](#) 2023 season events [here](#).



Learn more about our recent award [here!](#)

-Liz White

SLES Art/STEM Specialist

Contact me via email: [ewhite@tahomasd.us](mailto:ewhite@tahomasd.us)

## SCHOOL HOURS

Monday – Thursday 8:40 AM- 3:20 PM  
Early Release Friday 8:40 AM – 1:20 PM  
Earliest drop-off time: 8:25 AM

Attendance email: [sloffice@tahomasd.us](mailto:sloffice@tahomasd.us)

**QUESTIONS?** We are here to help.



## OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
Friday 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM



Call the office (425) 413-6100

School website: <https://shadowlake.tahomasd.us/>

**RECESS & LUNCH SCHEDULE** [HERE](#)

## SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Melanie Person can be reached by phone (425) 413-6174 or email [mperson@Tahomasd.us](mailto:mperson@Tahomasd.us)  
You can learn more about Melanie and programs available through her office [HERE](#)



## SCHOOL NURSE

Nicole Munsell can be reached by phone (425) 413-6110  
or email [snurse@tahomasd.us](mailto:snurse@tahomasd.us). Updated Medical Guidance for Attendance [HERE](#)

**TRANSPORTATION** Phone (425) 413-3220. Bus route schedules and more information [here](#).

## FOOD SERVICE INFORMATION

Breakfast menus, lunch menus, and how to pre-load meal money can be found [here](#).


## EXTENDED ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (EEP)

Before/afterschool childcare details: [https://www.tahomasd.us/departments/extended\\_enrichment](https://www.tahomasd.us/departments/extended_enrichment)

## OPT-IN FOR TEXT MESSAGES

If you would like to get occasional short text message reminders from the school, you can opt-in to receive them, you can **text 67587**, find instructions on our school website, or [here](#).

## WE LOVE VOLUNTEERS!

Check your application or sign-up [here](#).  We offer a friendly reminder about our Visitor and Volunteer policy [here](#). Please be sure to let the office staff your intentions when you check in so we can support your time.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023-2024

- [2023-2024 Calendar Highlights here](#)
- [Register for Kindergarten online here](#)

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES

The TSD website has an abundance of resources available here: <https://www.tahomasd.us/community>  
We have compiled some highly recommended resources [HERE](#).



April 26 mid-week TSD email to families [HERE](#) ← **CHECK THIS OUT!**

What is "Tahoma Cares"? Learn more [HERE](#)

Tahoma Matters Newsletters past issues, click [HERE](#)