

Playfields open at three schools



Three new playfields were opened this month at Highland Terrace, Lake Forest Park and Syre. The fields were funded by the 2006 Capital Projects bond issue. At left, School Board President David Wilson and Superintendent Sue Walker help Syre students cut the ribbon opening their field, while at right, Highland Terrace students sprint onto their new field.



Seahawks to honor Shoreline teachers

Symetra Heroes in the Classroom is a community program that recognizes Shoreline, Renton and Seattle teachers for outstanding leadership and instructional skills during the Seattle Seahawks season.

Twenty-four teachers will be selected and honored in their classrooms and on the field during Seahawks home games this season. Nominations are still being accepted. For more information and to submit your nomination, go to <http://www.symetra.com/heroes/seahawks>



New Shoreline Schools administrators for 2010-11

The Shoreline School District began the 2010-11 school year on September 1 with several familiar faces in new administrative positions.

Two new assistant principals greeted students — **Lisa Gonzalez Scott** at Kellogg Middle School and **Cindy Watters** at Einstein Middle School.

Gonzalez Scott has served as an administrative intern at Einstein Middle

Thank you to the Back to School Consortium for helping our kids



THANK YOU to the Shoreline Back to School Consortium for providing more than 1,000 students with backpacks filled with school supplies, clothing assistance at The WORKS of PTA Council, haircuts, a resource fair and food prepared by the Lake Forest Park Rotary .

School and Shorecrest High School, as social studies department head at Shorecrest, and as coordinator of the District's Response to Intervention program. She had been a social studies teacher at Shorecrest since 1998.

Watters has been the house administrator at Eckstein Middle School in Seattle for the past two years. Prior to her position at Eckstein, she spent three years at the Shanghai Community International School in China teaching social studies, serving as athletic director and coaching basketball. From 1994 to 2005, she taught a variety of junior high and high school social studies courses, as well as ASB leadership, in the Puyallup School District.

Jenny Parks is the new administrator at the Shoreline Children's Center. Parks has been the assistant principal at Einstein for the past seven years. Prior to that, Jenny taught at Kellogg Middle School for seven years and in Tucson, Arizona. She succeeds Dr. Linda Averill, who retired June 30 after 38 years of service to Shoreline.

Tam Osborne is the new director of human resources. For the past 12 years, Tam has worked for the Edmonds School District as the Director of Performing Arts and most recently as the Director

of Certificated Staff in HR. Prior to Edmonds, Tam worked for Central Kitsap for three years and Shoreline for 15 years. In Shoreline, Tam was an orchestra teacher at elementary, middle school and high school and assistant principal at Shorecrest. He succeeds Bill Fritz, who left Shoreline to become superintendent of the Steilacoom School District.

Hillery Clark is the new manager of the Early Childhood Program and Related Services. She will continue in her role as manager of the District's state institutional education program at Fircrest. The Early Childhood Program and Related Services includes the special education preschool for 3-to-5-year olds housed at Meridian Park School, the Birth to Three contract, and the District's occupational and physical therapy program.

Gene Wachtel is the new Career and Technical Education (CTE) program manager. Gene most recently was the middle school career and technology education specialist for the Yakima School District. He previously served as the Washington State Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) program supervisor, and as a CTE instructor in the Yakima, West Valley, Quincy and Bainbridge School Districts.

Superintendent's Message:

Welcome to the 2010-11 school year

Dear Shoreline Schools Community,

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year!

Whether a student, parent or staff member, this is truly an exciting time to be part of the Shoreline educational community.

Behind the scenes, architects and staff are quickly moving forward with the plans to modernize and replace both Shorewood and Shorecrest High Schools. It is expected that these wonderful 21st century state-of-the-art facilities will open their doors to students in the fall of 2013. We are incredibly grateful to the communities of Shoreline and Lake Forest Park for their support of these projects.

In our classrooms, exciting things are happening as well.

Our staff will continue their Professional Learning Community (PLC) work with ongoing collaborative conversations focused on the following questions:

- *What do we expect students to learn?*
- *How will we know when students have learned what we expect?*



• *What will we do when students have not learned what we expect?*

• *What will we do for students who have already learned what we expect?*

As part of the PLC work, our building principals and instructional leaders will be partnering with the University of Washington's Center for Educational Leadership (CEL). Research indicates that effective leadership is a key component in improving student learning. The targets of their work will be to develop a common understanding of the components of effective instruction, to describe specific habits of thinking for instructional leadership, and to understand how a "learning walk" (a brief 10-15 minute classroom visit) can support a district's instructional improvement agenda.

Behind the scenes, we will continue to focus on operational efficiencies that will maximize and protect our resources for the classroom and student support during the school year. Our Shoreline staffing model offers a "quality of life" in our schools that is worth protecting for as long as we can. This is truly a wonderful place to go to school, to work and to volunteer.

Welcome back!

Sincerely,
Sue Walker

Calling all Scots and T-Birds: Show your school spirit at the big football game on Sept. 24

It's Friday night under the lights in Shoreline as Shorecrest takes on Shorewood in their annual football game on Friday, September 24 at 7 p.m. at Shoreline Stadium.

Come out and show your school spirit and support your favorite team! Wear your T-shirts, letterman's jackets, spirit scarves, hats, jackets, beanies, seat cushions, and all things blue and green or green and gold!

Enjoy the first half of a great football game and then be ready at halftime for a photo to be taken from the 50-yard line



of a school-color-packed stadium to be posted on the Web for all to see.

This event is designed to engage parents, students and our community in high

school sports and renew and reinforce a sense of pride in our schools.

Both Booster organizations will be selling spirit gear on site. Shorewood is the home

team and will also host its annual Booster BBQ that evening. Both bands will be performing at halftime and as they leave the field, they will join the cheerleaders in front of their respective bleachers on the track for the photo.

Shoreline Schools Calendar

September

- 9 • Curriculum night at Brookside, Lake Forest Park and Meridian Park
- 13 • School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m., Shoreline Center
- 14 • Curriculum night at Briarcrest, Echo Lake and Syre
- 16 • Shorecrest open house, 7 p.m.
- 20 • School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m., Shoreline Center
- 21 • Head Start begins at Highland Terrace
- 23 • Open houses at Einstein and Kellogg
- 24 • Shorecrest vs. Shorewood football, 7 p.m., Shoreline Stadium
- 27 • Shoreline PTA Council meeting, 7 p.m., Shoreline Center
- 30 • Ridgecrest Back to School night

October

- 4 • School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m., Shoreline Center
- 8 • No School, Staff Work Day
- 8 • Shorecrest homecoming football, 7 p.m., Shoreline Stadium
- 13, 14, 15 • Early Release, Grades ADK-6 only for parent conferences
- 15 • Shorewood homecoming football, 7 p.m., Shoreline Stadium

For more events, visit www.shorelineschools.org

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