

# Asa Mercer International Middle School

Dear Mercer Families,

The end of our first quarter is Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. In celebration of all the hard work of our students we will be celebrating, here at Mercer the last part of our school day, with our ABC & Tardy Dance and Activity.

In order to participate student grades must be in good standing (A, B, or C) and have no more than 3 tardies between October 24 and November 10. The grade level with the best results will be dismissed first

Families can expect to receive report cards the week of November 21<sup>st</sup>. In addition to receiving report cards you will also receive your student's Smarter Balance Assessment results from last spring. You received a SBA score report as we transitioned into summer, yet this will be the official score report from the State of Washington with the same information.

Lastly, this Friday we do not have school in honors of Veterans Day. Thank you for your patriotism and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.



Go Mustangs!  
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Principal

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## November 7-10, Spirit Week

**Spirit week is an opportunity for students to show school spirit and unite.  
Our student ASB has helped to organize this week:**

**Pajama Monday    Twin Day Tuesday**



## Support a Cause Wednesday



Veteran  
Treatment

LGBTQ  
Rights

Black Lives  
Matter

**Blackout Thursday**

**#BLACKOUTDAY**

## NEWS AND INFORMATION

### Message from PTSA

Dear Mercer Families:

Welcome to the Mercer PTSA! We are very grateful to those who have signed up already. We are still looking for more members to join. We have a great year ahead! We hope that we can get more families involved. We have PTSA meetings every 2nd Wednesday of the month, unless posted otherwise. We are here to bettering our children's education and we can always use volunteers and help throughout the school year. If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions and ideas, you can contact us at [mercervptsa@outlook.com](mailto:mercervptsa@outlook.com) or visit the Mercer website:

[http://mercerms.seattleschools.org/school\\_involvement/PTSA](http://mercerms.seattleschools.org/school_involvement/PTSA).

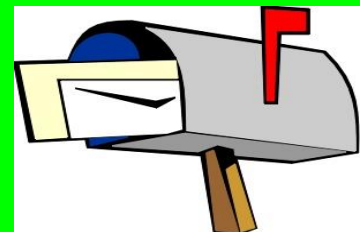
**Please join us this week Wednesday, November 9 in the Mercer Library from 6:30-8pm.  
Hope to see you here!**

### **Literacy Tool Kit-Thursday, Nov. 10, 6:00-7:00**

Reading and Writing out two important life-long skills. Learn more about what literacy instruction looks like at Mercer. We will have snacks, door prizes, and homework tip! We hope to see you here!

### **Election Day**

Remember to vote by Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>



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### **Fall Sports - Winter Sports (coming soon...)**

The fall sports season has begun! The fall sports season consists of Girls Soccer and Coed Ultimate Frisbee. Games are on Saturdays. Schedules for fall sports can be found [here](#). Winter sports begin soon and consist of girls and boys basketball. In order to participate students must have an updated physical.

### **Parking Lot and Traffic Challenge at Mercer**

We understand the challenges that exist when picking up and dropping off students to school. Our proximity to Columbian Way, and the small nature of our parking lot combined with the large number of students and families at Mercer make this a challenge. Nonetheless, it is really important to follow all laws and procedures when picking up and dropping off students at Mercer.

On our website is a [Traffic Map](#) that provides information and alternative locations to consider using, such as Jefferson Park or 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. There are safe walking trails and crosswalks students have access to and this may prevent the long wait you might be experiencing in our parking lot.

Thank you for your cooperation!

### **After School Activities, Session #1 Oct. 3 – Jan. 13**

After School Activities or Out of School time (OST) has begun. It is not too late. Course forms are available on-line and at school. You can also register on-line or pick up registration information at school. Please visit our [website!](#)

After school activities offer a range of free programs that begin at 3:25pm and run through 4:45 pm Monday-Friday!

#### **IMPORTANT NOVEMBER DATES**

- 7-10:** Spirit Week
- 9:** PTSA Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 10:** ABC/Tardy Dance and Activity Day (1:45-3:15)
- 10:** Literacy Toolkit Training, (6:00 pm, library)
- 10:** **End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**
- 11:** No School – Veteran's Day Observance
- 16:** 2 hr early dismissal (1:15)
- 23:** 1 hr early dismissal (2:15)
- 24-25:** Thanksgiving Weekend

#### **December Dates:**

- 8:** Latino Culture Night (5:30-7:00 pm)
- 14:** PTSA Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 16:** 1 hr early dismissal
- 19-2:** Winter Break

