IN THE LOOP

October 12th – October 16th

**THIS WEEK:**

Wednesday-Friday, October 14-16th – **Early Release** – Conferences

**NEXT WEEK:**

Thursday, October 22nd – School Board Meeting

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

Wednesday, November 11th – **NO SCHOOL** – Veteran’s Day

**NEWS FROM YOUR PTA:**

**CONFERENCE WEEK SCHEDULE**

Here is the adjusted schedule for this week. **Please note that Wednesday will not be a late start day**.

*Monday & Tuesday* will follow the normal bell schedule: 9:15am - 3:45pm

*Wednesday, Thursday & Friday* are half days: 9:15am – 12:15pm

If you do not already have your conference time scheduled, please reach out to your child’s teacher.

**REFLECTIONS ART CONTEST**

We would like to announce that this year’s Reflection theme is: *I Matter Because.*  Reflections is a National PTA arts recognition program that helps students explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence, and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful not only in school, but in life. Browns Point Elementary proudly participates in this wonderful program each year. This year, due to COVID, all art will be submitted to our PTA through our website, and judged by a panel of local artists in December. Entries that advance to state level will be submitted by the PTA in January. Please see the attached flier for more information. **All art must be submitted by November 30th.**

[Reflections Information Flier 2020-2021](https://dab5efba-5b1f-4083-a4df-1e794d69da68.filesusr.com/ugd/4fcccd_73290081e6834ad7a9f75f8dae23cc64.pdf)

[Reflections Submission Link](https://forms.gle/qYDz9uPnBkmkgxck9) This can also be found on our website at [BrownsPointPTA.com](https://www.brownspointpta.com/)

Please note: Each category has specific rules and requirements. Please see the links below for more information.

[2020-21 Dance Choreography Rules](https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Dance-Rules-20-21.pdf" \t "_blank)

[2020-21 Film Production Rules](https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Film-Production-Rules-20-21.pdf)

[2020-21 Literature Rules](https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Literature-Rules-20-21.pdf)

[2020-21 Music Composition Rules](https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Music-Composition-Rules-20-21.pdf)

[2020-21 Photography Rules](https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Photography-Rules-20-21.pdf)

[2020-21 Visual Arts Rules](https://www.wastatepta.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Visual-Arts-Rules-20-21.pdf)

If you have any questions regarding the Reflections program please reach out to Brandi Steiner at [bviskar@yahoo.com](mailto:bviskar@yahoo.com).

**NET HEALTHY KIDS COALITION – FOOD DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION**

The NE Tacoma Healthy Kids Coalition is partnering with Church of the Living God, World Vision and Tacoma Public Schools to bring a pop-up food distribution site to NE Tacoma on October 15 and October 29 from 5 to 7 pm.

Boxes of non-perishable food items and / or produce will be provided at no cost to families. Slots are available for families of TPS students on each of the dates. You can call the TPS Community Partnership Office to reserve a spot at 253-571-7980 or connect with our school guidance counselor, Ms. Byrd. Food pick up will be in the roundabout at the old Browns Point Elementary site located at [1526 51st St NE](https://shoutout.wix.com/so/bfNI4xT9K/c?w=MppS89i7m080aJ0KBT45U-ZqtXMPacquuQ4N3DN7Gz0.eyJ1IjoiaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xlLmNvbS9tYXBzL3NlYXJjaC8xNTI2KzUxc3QrU3QrTkU_ZW50cnk9Z21haWwmc291cmNlPWciLCJyIjoiMjBmOWM2NWItYjliNC00OTk1LTU4NzQtNTJmZjJjZjQ1MDgxIiwibSI6Im1haWwiLCJjIjoiZjI3N2ExM2UtYWFmMy00NzZmLWFhYzUtMzk4OTNlN2VkMDk1In0).  We will be following all public health guidance to safely distribute food to our community.

**ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?**

There are items on the November 3rd election ballot that relates to Washington schools including the election of the Washington State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Not sure if your voter registration is up to date? [CHECK VOTER STATUS HERE](https://www.co.pierce.wa.us/328/Elections)

**WEEKLY GRATITUDE**

We would like to thank everyone who tuned into our first General Membership PTA meeting last week! Sharon Waters gave a great presentation on our new *Getting Along Together* curriculum, and we voted in this year’s Budget, Standing Rules and Executive Board. Congratulations to Ryan Woody – the lucky winner of the Beluga Blue Hydro Flask raffle!