



# Hawk Herald

Dec/Jan Edition

**Arrowhead Elementary School**

**December 5, 2017**

Dear Arrowhead Families,

Conference time has come and gone yet the benefit of parents and teachers sharing what they know about the students at Arrowhead, as learners, will last for a long while. Teachers gain so much insight when they talk with parents who know their student as child, sibling and friend. Parents learn about their child as student, citizen and maker of meaning through the eyes of the teacher. We are all so fortunate to be part of a community who believes in doing what is best for children. It is our responsibility to make sure each and every student at Arrowhead sees themselves as a learner. They must hear the constant encouragement to assume more and more of the responsibility for their own learning and to know they can be independent thinkers. Students must see and believe in themselves as readers and writers, as scientists and mathematicians. Attending the conference certainly sends a message to the students that we all believe in their education and most importantly that we believe in them as students. Thank you for working in partnership with the Arrowhead Teachers and Community!

The academic area of reading is typically discussed during parent/teacher conferences. One way the teachers at Arrowhead guide readers is to have them choose and read "Just Right Books." When a child chooses a book to read, we want that book to be "just right" for them right now, not one they can grow into.

Multiple times throughout the year, Arrowhead teachers determine the type of book in which each child can do their best learning. We call these books "just right," because closely matching students to books at their level will enable them to make the most reading progress.

What is a just right book? This means that your child:

- is interested in the book
- can read and figure out almost all the words
- understands what they are reading (can tell you what the story is about or what they are learning).
- can read fairly smoothly so that it sounds like they are really telling the story

We all share the goal of wanting our children to become better readers. Decades of internationally based research show that children who read more, read better. This is particularly true for students who have daily opportunities to read "just right" books. Reading books that are "just right" allows a student to focus on meaning and to practice the strategies they are learning. Consistently reading books that are too challenging actually makes a child's reading skills worse!

We hope you will help your child find the time to read each day at home. It's great if your child wants to read aloud to you. However, it is not necessary for them to read aloud to you nightly. Once children are readers, they do most of their reading silently. Talk with your child about what they are reading, but don't quiz them; keep your conversations relaxed and informal. Even children who can already read on their own enjoy and benefit from others reading to them. A book perhaps too difficult to read independently, but in which your child is interested, is a great choice for you to read aloud to them. Thank you for encouraging your child to become a better reader!

On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank you for all you do to support your child's learning, the teachers and the entire school. We extend our heartfelt wishes to each of you for a most enjoyable winter break and spending time with family and friends.

Warm wishes,

Jesse Harrison



## Calendar

12/1 Grades 3-5 Healthy Hawks in Gym, 4:05 PM  
 12/4 Grades 3-5 Healthy Hawks in Gym, 4:05 PM  
 12/5 Grades K-2 Healthy Hawks in Gym, 4:05 PM  
 12/7 Grades K-2 Healthy Hawks in Gym, 4:05 PM  
 12/8 Grades 3-5 Healthy Hawks in Gym, 4:05 PM  
 12/18 – 1/1/18 Winter Vacation – No School  
 1/2/18 Back to School, Happy New Year!  
 1/5 PTA Popcorn Friday  
 1/9 PTA Meeting – Arrowhead Library 6:30PM  
 1/12 Martin Luther King Jr. Assembly 10:30 AM  
 1/15 NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
 1/16 Kindergarten Parent Tour 9:45 AM  
 1/19 Hawk Family Fitness Night 7:00PM  
 1/25 PTA Mid-Winter Mixer – 7:00PM  
 1/29 NO SCHOOL – Non-Student Day  
 1/30 Kindergarten Parent Tour 1:30 PM

### December Reminders:

12/6 & 12/13 – 2:30 PM Wednesday Early Dismissal

### January Reminders:

1/15 - No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
 1/29 – No School – Non-Student Day

## Help for the Holidays

If your family is in need of any help this holiday season with food or gifts, please see the last page of this newsletter for a list of resources in our area. Most organizations are currently registering families for holiday giving programs as well as many other types of assistance. All inquiries are confidential. Please stop by the office or health room, or call nurse Anne directly at: 425-408-4006.

Hopelink's "gift room" for holiday gifts for your children is registering through [December 8th](#). Call 425-889-7880 to make an appointment. Staple foods are always available at the food bank.

## Yearbooks

Look for order forms coming home with your student in late January.

The office will be accepting orders beginning January 30th through February 16th.

Cost is \$15.00 each.

Yearbooks are distributed in June for those who purchase by February 16th. There are a very limited number for sale in June at a cost of \$17.00 each. Order early to guarantee your student gets one!



## **2018 BOND & LEVY INFORMATION**

Northshore School District voters will see three measures on the February 13, 2018 ballot to continue support for student learning: Educational Programs and Operations Levy Renewal, the Capital Projects Bond and the Technology Levy Renewal.

### **PROP 1: Educational Programs and Operations Levy Renewal**

The Educational Programs and Operations Levy would supply 20 percent of the district's budget for daily operations and educational programs. It would renew the current four-year levy that expires in 2018 and would generate up to \$234 million over the next four years. Renewing these levy funds provides for:

- Special education
- Academic support for advanced learners and interventions for struggling learners
- Extra-curricular activities
- Basic education needs not funded by the state
- Transportation costs beyond what the state will fund

### **PROP 2: Capital Projects Bond**

The \$275 million bond would continue the district's long-range facilities plan to maintain its schools and provide a safe and secure environment for Northshore students to support learning. The bond measure supports enrollment growth by funding construction of a new K-5 school. And it funds renovation of aging schools and replacing or updating building infrastructure such as HVAC, gutters, roofs and flooring. Every school in the district will benefit from the projects completed by the bond measure.

#### **Safety and Security Upgrades At All Schools**

- 24/7 recording and deterrence systems
- A verbal and visual building notification alarms for both staff and the district, working in conjunction with local law enforcement systems
- Interior and exterior door locking mechanisms
- Staff training on safety and security

#### **School Construction/Renovation**

- Build a new K-5 school at Maltby Road site and a 3-classroom flexible use building and improved traffic flow at the Skyview Middle/Canyon Creek Elementary campus to help provide a longer-term solution to north end enrollment growth
- Build a performing arts and instructional building and improved traffic flow at Inglemoor High School

#### **District wide Projects**

- Replace outdated heating, ventilation and mechanical systems, roofs and flooring
- Renovate outdoor instructional spaces, such as playfields, tennis courts and athletics

### **PROP 3: Technology Levy Renewal**

The Technology Levy Renewal would maintain and enhance classroom technology to support student learning. It would replace the current levy that expires in 2018 and would provide \$62 million over the next four years. The levy would:

- Provide 1:1 computers/tablets for all grades. The district will engage parents and the community to determine an implementation strategy for 1:1 computers/tablets
- Teacher training for classroom technology use
- Continued student training for online safety, including digital citizenship
- Technology to improve district communications to families

### **More Information**

**Want to learn about what's in the bond or levies for our school? Visit [www.nsd.org/2018bondlevies](http://www.nsd.org/2018bondlevies)**

## 2018 - 2019 Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration packets will be available in the school office beginning Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>. We encourage parents of prospective kindergarten students for the 2018-2019 school year to stop by the school office between 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM to register their child.

Students entering kindergarten must be 5 on or before August 31, 2018. When you come to register, you will need: birth certificate, immunization dates, proof of residency, family information, emergency information, doctor information, and daycare information.

Please help us advertise these dates and times. If you know a family who will have a kindergarten student at Arrowhead next year, please pass along this information. If you have any questions, please call the school office – 425.408.4000. Thank you!

### **Kindergarten Parent Tours: January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 AM & January 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM.**

Parents of prospective kindergarten students for the 2018-2019 school year are offered the opportunity to tour the Arrowhead campus. The tour will begin from the school office. Please call the office at 425-408-4000 to let us know if you plan to attend.

***This is an adult only tour.***

## Vacation and Homework Requests

As a general rule, teachers do not provide students with schoolwork when families take vacations outside of the district's scheduled school breaks. The work students do in the classroom, along with the instruction needed for them to adequately understand how to complete it, cannot be replicated outside of school. If you choose to take your child(ren) out of school while it is in session, be aware that they may miss critical learning.

If you are planning a vacation during the school year that will take your student out of school for more than two days, please fill out a pre-approved vacation request prior to your departure. This form can be found in the office or online (<http://www.nsd.org/Page/32032>)

## **Thank You for Keeping Arrowhead Students Safe!**

**Morning Playground Supervision:** A big thank you to the several parent volunteers who supervise primary, intermediate, and kindergarten playgrounds each morning. Anyone interested in adding their name to this list of helpers can go to the Arrowhead website and click on the "Before School Playground Volunteer Sign Up" under Quick Links.

**Safety Patrols:** Thank you, thank you, thank you to our fabulous safety patrols greeting students each morning and bidding farewell at day's end to our Arrowhead students. Thank you also to all the parents who get their patrols early to school and pick them up after their afternoon duty.

All your help is greatly appreciated,  
Erin Person - Supervisor

## **Breakfast Club with Dr. Michelle Reid, NSD Superintendent**

On October 25<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Reid visited Arrowhead Elementary to meet with the parent community, a small group of students and to visit classrooms with Mrs. Harrison.

Dr. Reid had breakfast with twelve students, representing grades 2-5. The breakfast conversation was driven by questions Dr. Reid asked to the students such as:

### ***What is great about Arrowhead?***

The teachers are great because they teach us a lot.

Our teachers inspire us to be our best.

My teacher says that mistakes are proof of trying.

### ***Do you feel safe at Arrowhead?***

We have a new fence and it keeps us safe

We do emergency drills and practice for different kinds of emergencies.

Our crossing guards keep us safe.

Our teachers are kind and caring.

### ***What do you like about math?***

My teacher shows us the steps so we can understand the tricky problems.

My teacher works with us in small groups to help us figure out the parts we don't understand.

## **Coming to Arrowhead in 2018**

### **Family Fitness Nights**

Did you know our fabulous PE teacher holds periodic family fitness nights?

These evenings are fun for the whole family and are geared to work on cardio, strength, endurance and flexibility – with a little math thrown in for fun!

The next one is coming up on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm in the gym. For the calendar of the events for the rest of the school year, go here: <https://www.nsd.org/Page/32522>.

### **Makerspace Club**

The next session of this club for 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders exploring STEAM concepts is happening in January. Look for sign up information coming soon via PTA weekly blast and permission slips. The club is held before school, for six weeks starting January 18<sup>th</sup> running through February 15<sup>th</sup> on Thursday mornings at 8:15am in the Library.

Due to popular demand, Mrs. Sepessy is looking for parent helpers to facilitate running the club. Please contact Mrs. Sepessy if you would like to help ([lsepessy@nsd.org](mailto:lsepessy@nsd.org) or 425-408-4012).

## Music Notes...



### **VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY**

Arrowhead Elementary knows how to put on a Veterans Day Assembly! This year we held one assembly, which featured the vocal talents of our fourth grade students, as well as a moving tribute to our honored guests. By singing patriotic songs and sharing historical details, Arrowhead students had the opportunity to express their admiration and appreciation. How fortunate we are to have a student body that understands and values the sacrifices Veterans have made on our behalf.

### **MARTIN LUTHER KING ASSEMBLY**

Friday, January 12th at 10:30 am the assembly honoring Dr. Martin Luther King will be held in the Gym. The fifth graders will be on deck to perform. The program will consist of singing, audience participation, classroom presentations and guitars.

Parents will have an opportunity to attend an evening performance of the Dr. Martin Luther King assembly on January 16th at 7:00pm. This performance will be held at Arrowhead in the gym.

Thank you for supporting your student and for attending our fun music events!

Kelly Webb

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## **Book Fair Thank You**

A HUGE thank you to the whole Arrowhead community who once again came out and enjoyed this year's Scholastic Book Fair. Thanks to the volunteers, many of them new to the Book Fair, who filled in the large shoes of so many long-time volunteers who have taken on new roles at the middle school.

We were very successful and look forward to purchasing books for your students to support curriculum, add to favorite series, introduce the newest and best and tailor purchases to their interests and needs. If you have paid for books but not yet received them, they will be delivered to the classroom when they arrive from Scholastic.

The biggest thanks go to the people behind the scenes who truly go an extra marathon mile enabling our book fair to be so successful. As always Erin Person works late hours (several past her regular hours) every night to balance the registers. And then our fabulous book fair chairs, Jennifer Berg and Julie Krause Gorom, and their families who lend a hand and keep home fires burning while the fair is going on.

And last but not least are all the many book fair volunteers who manage the chaos and fun of kids and families searching for books, ringing up the long lines at the cash registers and then clean-up to do it all over again the next day!

I can't begin to thank you for bravely walking into the fray! Thank you all!

### **Announcing New Library Birthday Book Club**

Would your child like to donate a book to the Arrowhead library in honor of their birthday? Then join the Birthday Book Club for students to donate a book in honor of their birthday or other significant event. Although you may purchase a book at the store of your choice, Mrs. Sepessy keeps several lists of books on Amazon divided into: Fiction, Non-Fiction, Bridge, MakerSpace, Graphics and Picture Books/Early Readers. A special Bookplate will be posted inside each donated Birthday book and the student or someone from the class will have first chance to check it out. I can't keep up with all the great new books so just ask Mrs. Sepessy if your student wants to purchase a book that is not on the lists. If you sign up for Amazon Smile a small percentage of your purchase will be sent to the Arrowhead PTA. You can search Amazon for Lona Sepessy for the book lists or find the lists at: [https://smile.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/GDDVRMLZ9Y8N/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_1](https://smile.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/GDDVRMLZ9Y8N/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1)

Thanks for supporting your Hawk's Library and the Arrowhead PTA  
Contact Mrs. Sepessy with questions at [lsepessy@nsd.org](mailto:lsepessy@nsd.org)

## 2017-18 Snow/Ice/Emergency Bulletin

Emergencies such as inclement weather, power outages and bad road conditions can alter school schedules and affect bus transportation. The decision to close or delay schools is made by the superintendent as early as possible, usually around 5:30 a.m. Early dismissals will occur only if a delay in dismissal significantly increases hazards. In the event an early dismissal is required, it is important that you have a plan for your child(ren).

The decision to close schools or delay start times will be announced on [www.schoolreport.org](http://www.schoolreport.org) and most radio and television stations. Families will be notified using the district's automated telephone messaging service. You may also call the district information line at 425.408.6001, beginning at 6 a.m., for school closure information. Emergency make-up days will be added to the end of the school year.

If "Northshore School District #417" is not mentioned during the newscast, it means schools are open, with buses operating as normally as possible. If Northshore is mentioned, one of the following situations will be announced:

1. "2 hours late, normal bus routes" means:

- School starts 2 hours late
- Buses start 2 hours late on normal routes ([www.nsd.org/nsdtransportation](http://www.nsd.org/nsdtransportation))
- All partial programs cancelled
- No half-day kindergarten (a.m., p.m.), Sorenson ECC, preschool/pre-k or Head Start
- No out-of-district transportation
- No elementary band/orchestra, zero-period, satellite or ninth grade classes at the high schools
- No after-school athletics or activity trips
- All-day and extended-day kindergarten operate on the elementary schedule

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- No elementary band/orchestra, zero-period, satellite or ninth grade classes at the high schools.
- No after-school athletics or activity trips.
- All-day and extended-day kindergarten operates on the elementary schedule.

3. "On time, snow bus routes" means:

- School starts on time.
- Buses start at normal time on snow routes ([www.nsd.org/nsdtransportation](http://www.nsd.org/nsdtransportation)).

4. "Closed" means:

- All district schools are closed.
- No after-school/evening activities, athletics or band/orchestra

Snow bus route locations are available online, [www.nsd.org/nsdtransportation](http://www.nsd.org/nsdtransportation), or by contacting the Transportation Department, 425.408.7900.

Changing conditions may cause the district to alter the status of school. Listen to radio and television for the latest information.

## When to Stay Home From School

If your student becomes ill it is sometimes hard to determine if he/she should stay home. Here are a few tips to help you make the best decision. If you are still not sure, please don't hesitate to call Nurse Anne at 425-408-4006.

**PLEASE DO NOT SEND MEDICATION OF ANY KIND TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD.** This includes over-the-counter products also such as cough drops, Tylenol, or Ibuprofen. Click [Medication Policy](http://www.new.nsd.org/page/989) for the Northshore School District guidelines (<http://www.new.nsd.org/page/989>).

**Fever:** A temperature taken orally, that is over 100 degrees Fahrenheit, is considered a fever. **Children should be fever-free for at least 24 hours (without fever reducing medication such as Tylenol or Advil) before sending them to school.**

**Vomiting/Diarrhea:** Anytime a child vomits or has diarrhea, he/she needs to be isolated from other children for 24 hours. If your child vomits in the night, keep him/her home from school the following day and until they are symptom free for 24 hours.

**Colds:** A runny nose by itself is not necessarily cause to keep your child home. However, if your student cannot manage their nasal drainage, or the runny nose is accompanied by a headache, nausea or the child is too tired to concentrate on schoolwork, he/she is probably too ill to come to school.

**Strep Throat:** Strep throat is a sore throat caused by streptococcal bacteria. A diagnosis of strep throat is done by a throat culture by your healthcare provider. The treatment for strep is antibiotics. **A child may return to school after being on antibiotic treatment for at least 24 hours and when all symptoms (including fever) are gone.**

Good health habits are our best defense against winter illness. This includes getting enough sleep, proper nutrition, and hand washing, as well as staying up to date on immunizations and flu shots. Also, **please be honest with your child's friends – do not invite friends over if your children are sick or still recovering from illness, and limit sleepovers with playmates.**

**\*\*It is critical for the health of our whole community, including our staff, that you limit exposure of illness to others. Thank you in advance for making this a priority over the temporary disappointment your child may experience due to missing a party or special event. \*\***

### **A Quick Note about Head Lice...**

No one likes to talk about it, but please let Nurse Anne know if your student has (or had) head lice. A student can return to school once treated and they have a brief check in with the nurse, they do not need to be "nit-free", but you must continue to comb through and check hair daily for a couple weeks to be sure all nits are completely gone. If you would like a tutorial on how to do this, please stop by or call Nurse Anne. In colder weather when students bundle up more and wear hats it can easily go unnoticed, but you should check your students head at least monthly. Also as always, students should never share hats, combs or brushes, and be honest with your children's friends and playmates if you have found head lice at your house. This limits exposure to others in our community. Thank you!

### **Interpreter/Translation Services for Parents**

Your child's education is very important. As the parent/guardian of a Northshore student, you have the right to participate in your child's education, including communicating with teachers and staff about your child. Northshore offers interpreter and translation services to parents free of charge. We encourage you to tell someone at your child's school if you need an interpreter or a translation. Please contact your school office or Sue Moeller at 425-408-7723 if you have any questions or concerns about Northshore's language services.

孩子的教育非常重要。作为 Northshore 学校学生的父母/监护人，您有权参与您孩子的教育，包括与学校教职人员就您孩子的各方面情况进行沟通。Northshore 学校向家长免费提供口译和笔译服务。如果您需要翻译服务，我们鼓励您告诉孩子所在学校的相关人员。如对 Northshore 语言服务有任何问题，请与学校办事 处或 Sue Moeller 联系，电话：425-408-7723。

귀자녀의 교육은 매우 중요합니다. Northshore 학생의 부모/후견인으로서 귀하에게는 자녀에 대해 교사 및 직원과의 의견을 나누는 등 자녀 교육에 참여할 권리가 있습니다. Northshore는 학부모에게 통역 및 번역 서비스를 무료로 제공합니다. 통역 또는 번역이 필요한 경우에는 자녀 학교의 교직원에게 말씀해 주시기 바랍니다. Northshore의 언어 서비스에 대한 질문 또는 관심사항이 있는 경우에는 교무실 또는 Sue Moeller에게 425-408-7723으로 연락해 주십시오.

Образование вашего ребенка имеет большое значение. Являясь родителем / опекуном ученика округа Northshore, вы имеете право на участие в его образовании, в том числе на общение с учителями и персоналом школы по вопросам, касающимся вашего ребенка. Школьный округ Northshore предлагает родителям бесплатные услуги устного и письменного перевода. Если вам требуется помощь устного или письменного переводчика, сообщите об этом кому-либо из персонала школы, в которой учится ваш ребенок. Свяжитесь с администрацией школы или со Sue Moeller по телефону 425-408-7723, если у вас возникнут какие-либо вопросы или трудности со службой переводов Northshore.

Sự giáo dục của con quý vị là rất quan trọng. Là phụ huynh/người giám hộ của học sinh Northshore, quý vị có quyền tham gia chương trình giáo dục của con mình, gồm có việc liên lạc với giáo viên và nhân viên liên quan đến con quý vị. Northshore cung cấp dịch vụ thông dịch và biên dịch miễn phí cho phụ huynh. Chúng tôi khuyến khích quý vị nên thông báo cho một nhân viên tại trường học của con quý vị nếu quý vị cần thông dịch viên hoặc tài liệu dịch. Vui lòng liên hệ văn phòng nhà trường hoặc Sue Moeller qua số 425-408-7723 nếu quý vị có bất kỳ thắc mắc hay quan ngại nào về các dịch vụ ngôn ngữ của Northshore.

La educación de su hijo(a) es muy importante. Como padre/tutor de un alumno de Northshore, usted tiene derecho a participar en la educación de su hijo(a), esto incluye comunicarse con los profesores y el personal para hablar sobre su hijo(a). Northshore ofrece servicios de traducción e interpretación sin costo para los padres. Si usted necesita un intérprete o una traducción por favor coméntelo con alguien de la escuela donde estudia su hijo(a). Por favor contacte a la dirección de la escuela o a Sue Moeller al 425-408-7723 si tiene preguntas o inquietudes relacionadas con los servicios de traducción e interpretación de Northshore.

## ★Holiday Assistance 2017★ Community Resources

### ★Hopelink

Address: 11011 120th Ave NE, Kirkland, WA 98033  
Phone:(425) 889-7880; Hours: Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

**\*\*Holiday Gifts - For ages birth through 18. Call between Oct 16 - Dec 8 to register. Non-food bank clients will need to bring ID for all adults in the household, proof of residency, self-declaration of income, a birth certificate or Social Security card for infants & children.**

*\*\* Regalos para los días festivos: Para edades desde el nacimiento hasta los 18 años. Llame entre el 16 de octubre y el 8 de diciembre para registrarse. Los clientes que no son clientes del banco de comida deberán presentar una identificación para todos los adultos en el hogar, comprobante de domicilio, auto declaración de ingresos, certificado de nacimiento o tarjeta de seguro social para bebés y niños.*

### ★Northshore YMCA

11811 NE 195th ST  
Bothell, WA 98011  
425-486-7757  
ymcanorthshore.org  
Provides holiday meal baskets for underserved families in the community.

### ★Helping Hands Ministries

**Thrift Store:** 19213 Bothell-Everett Hwy 425-481-6682 Open 10-7  
**Home Store:** 17428 State Rt. 9, Snohomish 360-863-3027 Open 11-6  
Gently used and new clothing, toys, books, household items, furniture  
\$25 vouchers available from your school nurse.

Ropa nueva y ligeramente usada, juguetes, libros, objetos de hogar, muebles  
Se puede obtener cupones de \$25 de la enfermera de su escuela.

### ★Christmas House

(Snohomish County Residents Only)

**Address:** Everett Boys and Girls Club, 2316 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Everett, WA 98201  
**Phone:** 425-338-2273 [www.christmas-house.org/shop/](http://www.christmas-house.org/shop/)

**Holiday Gifts – No advance registration, admission is by number.**

Christmas House provides an opportunity for qualifying, low-income, Snohomish County parents to select free holiday gifts for their children age infant - 18 yrs old.

**Numbers will be passed out daily Nov. 30- Dec. 16 starting at 6:30 a.m. until one hour before closing time or until the numbers are gone, whichever occurs first.** To qualify to shop at Christmas House, you must:

- be a resident of Snohomish County,
- have children aged 18 or younger living in your custody, and have a household income at or below 150% of the poverty level, as defined by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (view [View 2017 Income Chart](#) ).
- ID, proof of spouse/significant other living in household, proof of income, proof of child custody and Snohomish County residency are required.

[http://www.christmas-house.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Shopperspanish\\_2017.pdf](http://www.christmas-house.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Shopperspanish_2017.pdf)

### ★Toys for Tots – Smokey Point to Shoreline

To qualify you must be a US citizen and reside within the service area (Smokey Point to Shoreline). You must have valid Washington State ID or military ID card and proof of residence to pick up toys.

**Applications are open for Single Parent/Guardians/Families. IF YOU ARE A TANF RECIPIENT PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CASE MANAGER OR YOUR DSHS BENEFITS OFFICE FOR SIGN UP PROCEDURES. YOUR REQUEST WILL BE HANDLED THROUGH THEM ONLY.**

**Toy Requests -** You must apply on their website: [www.toysfortots.org](http://www.toysfortots.org)

For further assistance contact **Mary Butler** at [butterm39@yahoo.com](mailto:butterm39@yahoo.com) or call  
**425-309-0047.**

**Friends of Youth Safe Place Program** - Provides 24/7 support for youth looking for a place to go, even Thanksgiving Eve and Christmas morning. Youth need to call 1(800)422-TEEN, go to any Safe Place community partner location, or get on a Metro Bus.