SAMI Students Start the School Year at Camp 6

District relocates SAMI portables to the former Camp 6 Logging Museum site on the west side of Point Defiance Park. All SAMI students will start the first day of school, Sept. 2, in the park.

District buses will continue to operate daily within the park to transport students to and from the various SAMI learning spaces. For parents who prefer to drop off their students at the entrance of Point Defiance Park, a shuttle will pick up students and take them to the new portable location. This shuttle will start at 7:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, and run every 10 minutes.

Parents also can drop off students at the former Camp 6 site, at the entrance of Point Defiance Park, or at any other SAMI shuttle locations such as at Northeast Tacoma Elementary School, Tacoma Mall or downtown on 11th & Commerce streets.

Limited parking is available for staff and students at the former Camp 6 site on a first-come, first-served basis. Due to the limited parking spaces, we recommend students take advantage of the bus shuttles and Pierce Transit bus system. Every student receives a Pierce Transit Orca bus pass.

For more information about shuttle locations and times, visit SAMI online or call the main office at 253-571-2300.
Stewart Hosts Sept. 1 Welcome Orientation, Ice Cream Social

Stewart Middle School will host an ice cream social and welcome celebration for all students. Help us celebrate on Tuesday, Sept. 1, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Hunt school site, 6501 S. 10 St.

Guests can enjoy entertainment by students and school tours. Pick up student planners, schedules, bus routes and ice cream following the orientation.

Visit Stewart's website or call the main office at 253-571-4200 for more information.

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Don't Miss the Bus!

The district will provide Transportation for all Stewart students living in the current Stewart Middle School attendance zone. Bus routes for the 2015-2016 school year will include bus stops every six blocks for morning and afternoon pick up and drop off from Stewart attendance area to the Hunt site. The district will also provide afternoon buses for sports and clubs.

Stewart Bus Routes

McCarver second- through fifth-grade students will attend the former McKinley school site located at 3702 McKinley Ave. for the 2015-
2016 school year.

Preschool, kindergarten and first-grade students will remain at the McCarver Primary Building located at 2141 South J St. throughout the duration of the construction.

The district will provide Transportation for second- through fifth-grade McCarver students living in the current McCarver Elementary School attendance zone. Bus routes for the 2015-2016 school year will include bus stops every four blocks for morning and afternoon pick up and drop off from McCarver attendance area to the McKinley site.

Throughout the school year bus routes may change. Check the Transportation website for updates to all bus routes.

McCarver Bus Routes

KOMO4 News Gets a Sneak Peak Inside McCarver

KOMO 4 News team Cayle Thompson, reporter, and cameraman, know as Jim, were surprised at the changes inside McCarver Elementary School's historical building.

Larry Fuller, Skanska construction superintendent, led the tour and explained what used to be closed classroom spaces prior to demolition are now open spaces overlooking the library.

Rob Sawatzky, director of Planning and Construction for Tacoma Public Schools, told reporters this is a historical time for the district in terms of the number of projects happening at once.

The district currently has five schools under construction and three more in design phase.

Watch KOMO4 News’ Back to School story the week of Sept. 8.