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### WE BELIEVE... 2021-2022 DISTRICT CALENDAR





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2021 SOTA graduate, Sebastian Garcia celebrates his achievement

#### TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS District Calendar 2021-2022

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"There are times that our youth need someone other than their family to believe in them or to tell them everything is going to be okay. I am going to be the reason a student comes to school or comes to practice; I know there is some young soul who needs what I can provide."

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### Sade Morris, "Coach Mo"

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Special Education Teacher, Mason Middle School, Head Coach, Stadium High School Girls' Basketball, Varsity Coach, Mason Middle School Girls' and Boys' Basketball.

### September 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Library Card Sign-Up Month			1	2	3	4
5	<b>6</b> Labor Day District Offices Closed	7 TEACHER WORKSHOP DAY NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	8 International Literacy Day SCHOOL STARTS GRADES 1-12	<b>9</b> School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	10	<b>11</b> Patriot Day
12 Grandparents' Day Sept. 12-18 National Arts in Education Week	13 KINDERGARTEN AND FULL DAY PRESCHOOL START	14	15 Late Start K-12 Sept. 15-Oct.15 Hispanic Heritage Month	16 School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	<b>17</b> Citizenship Day Sept. 17-23 Constitution Week	18
19	20 HALF DAY PRESCHOOL STARTS	21 International Day of Peace	22 First Day of Autumn Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (except Montessori)	23 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	24	25
26	27	28	29 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	30	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5         6         7           8         9         10         11         12         13         14           15         16         17         18         19         20         21           22         23         24         25         26         27         28           29         30         31	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24/31         25         26         27         28         29         30

"It is a privilege to use my mother tongue and my second language to intertwine cultures from all around the world. It is a joy when a student comes to me and says, 'I know this, and I know it in Spanish.' That tiny moment is my why!"

#### **Clara Stewart**

Dual language teacher, Blix Elementary School



# October 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4           5         6         7         8         9         10         11           12         13         14         15         16         17         18           19         20         21         22         23         24         25           26         27         28         29         30	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5         6           7         8         9         10         11         12         13           14         15         16         17         18         19         20           21         22         23         24         25         26         27           28         29         30	Crime Prevention Month Discover U Month LGBTQ History Month National Bullying Prevention Month National Principals Month	Czech Heritage Month Italian American Heritage and Culture Month Polish American Heritage Month Filipino American Heritage Month		<b>1</b> Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Available	<b>2</b> SAT Testing
<b>3</b> Oct. 3-9 Fire Prevention Week	4	5 National Walk to School Day	6 Oct. 6-12 National Education Office Professionals Week Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	7	B DISTRICT DATA DAY NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	9
10	11 Columbus Day Oct. 11-15 National School Lunch Week	12	13 Late Start 6-12 Only No School for Preschool (except Montessori) Elementary Conferences Early Release grades K-5: 12:15 p.m. PSAT/NMSQT testing Grade 11 SAT testing Grade 12	All Grades Conferences 14 Early Release grades PreK-12 No school for p.m. preschool H.S. 10:50 a.m. M.S. 11:30 a.m. E.S. 12:15 p.m. School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	15 All Grades Conferences Early Release grades PreK-12 No school for p.m. preschool H.S. 10:50 a.m. M.S. 11:30 a.m. E.S. 12:15 p.m.	16
<b>17</b> Oct. 17-23 National Character Counts Week	18 Oct. 18-22 National School Bus Safety Week	19	20 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	21 School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	22	<b>23</b> Oct. 23-31 Red Ribbon Week (Drug-Free America)
24/31 Oct. 24 United Nations Day	25	26	27 Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (except Montessori)	28 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	29	30

"My belief is that teaching breeds learning, learning breeds understanding, understanding breeds good citizenship, which leads to wonderful communities—in the neighborhood and in the city, in the state, country, and, indeed, the world!"

### Sulja Warnick

Retired TPS teacher and founder of the Korean Women's Association



# November 2021

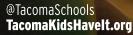


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Late Start K-12			
Native American Heritage Month		Election Day	No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool			SAT Testing
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			Late Start K-12			
Reset Clocks, Daylight Savings Time Ends			No School for Preschool (except Montessori)	Veterans Day <b>No SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			Education Support Professionals Day Late Start K-12			
	Nov. 15-19 American Education Week		No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	National Parental Involvment Day School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	Substitute Educators Day	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Nov. 21-27 National Family Week			Thanksgiving Break <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed	Thanksgiving Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed	Thanksgiving Break <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed	
28	29	30			OCTOBER SMTWTFS	DECEMBER SMTWTFS
					3 4 5 6 7 8 9	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11
					10 11 12 13 14 15 16	12 13 14 15 16 17 18
					17 18 19 20 21 22 23 <sup>24/31</sup> 25 26 27 28 29 30	19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

"There is a musician in ALL of us. I believe every student has their own unique 'music,' and my job is to help them discover and learn how to express it. Their music is part of who they are."

#### Micah Haven

Band teacher, Meeker Middle School





### December 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NOVEMBER           S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5         6           7         8         9         10         11         12         13           14         15         16         17         18         19         20           21         22         23         24         25         26         27           28         29         30	JANUARY           S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5         6         7         8           9         10         11         12         13         14         15           16         17         18         19         20         21         22           23/30         24/31         25         26         27         28         29		1 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool World AIDS Day	2	3	<b>4</b> SAT Testing
5	<b>6</b> Elementary Trimester Break Preschool Conferences <b>No School for PreK-5 students only</b> Dec. 6-17 PSAT testing window grade 8	<b>7</b> Preschool Conferences <b>No school for Preschool</b> Pearl Harbor Day	8 Late Start K-12 Preschool Conferences No school for Preschool	9 Preschool Conferences No school for Preschool School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	10 Preschool Conferences <b>No school for Preschool</b> Human Rights Day	11
12	13	14	15 Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	16	17	18
19	20 Winter Break NO SCHOOL	21 Winter Break NO SCHOOL First Day of Winter	22 Winter Break NO SCHOOL	23 Winter Break NO SCHOOL District Offices Closed	24 Winter Break NO SCHOOL District Offices Closed	25
26	27 Winter Break No SCHOOL	28 Winter Break No SCHOOL	29 Winter Break No SCHOOL	30 Winter Break NO SCHOOL District Offices Closed	31 Winter Break No SCHOOL District Offices Closed	

"I believe that for students to learn and grow, they need to be able to connect with their teachers. They need to feel the passion of their teachers. They need someone who cares, loves, and sincerely believes in them."

#### **Elizabeth Brobbey**

Teacher, Tacoma Online

# January 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4           5         6         7         8         9         10         11           12         13         14         15         16         17         18           19         20         21         22         23         24         25           26         27         28         29         30         31	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5           6         7         8         9         10         11         12           13         14         15         16         17         18         19           20         21         22         23         24         25         26           27         28	School Board Recognition Month Tacoma Whole Child Month				<b>1</b> New Year's Day Emancipation Proclamation Anniversary
2	3 SCHOOL RESUMES	4	5 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	13 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	14	15
16	<b>17</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed	18	19 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	20 School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	21	22
23/30	24/31	25	26 Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	27 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	28	29

"I believe that every student should be treated as an investment and given the same grace and support we'd give to a significant community member. I am committed and desire to be a positive influence for our students and staff alike."

#### **Steve Primas**

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Social Worker, Tacoma School of the Arts (SOTA)

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### February 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
African American History Month National Children's Dental Health Month	Career and Technical Education Month		Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool		Secondary Semester Break No School for middle and high school students only	
 6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Feb. 7-11 National School Counseling Week	Election Day	Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	School Board Meeting 6 p.m.		Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	DATA DAY NO SCHOOL National PTA Founders Day School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> (Snow make-up day if needed)	Feb 19-26 National FFA Week
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	President's Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed	George Washington's Birthday	Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	School Board Meeting 6 p.m.		
27	28				JANUARY           S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5         6         7         8           9         10         11         12         13         14         15           16         17         18         19         20         21         22           23/30         24/31         25         26         27         28         29	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5           6         7         8         9         10         11         12           13         14         15         16         17         18         19           20         21         22         23         24         25         26           27         28         29         30         31

"My why has always been to share my Native American culture -I want everyone to know that we are still here. I foster a passion, a pride, a sense of belonging and community to my intertribal students."

#### **Angelina Nicole Nockai**

Indian Education Advisory Board Member, Native American Cultural Specialist, Artist in Residence, TPS Graduate and TPS parent.



## March 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
American Red Cross Month Irish American Heritage Month Music in Our Schools Month National Middle Level Education Month	National Nutrition Month® Social Work Month Women's History Month Youth Art Month	1	2 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool SAT testing grade 11 NEA's Read Across America (Dr. Seuss's Birthday)	3	4	5
<b>6</b> Mar. 6-12 National Foreign Language Week	<b>7</b> Preschool Conferences <b>No school for Preschool</b> Mar. 7-11 National School Breakfast Week	8 Preschool Conferences <b>No school for Preschool</b> International Women's Day	9 Late Start K-12 Preschool Conferences No school for Preschool	10 Preschool Conferences No school for Preschool School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	11 Preschool Conferences No school for Preschool	12 SAT Testing
<b>13</b> Reset Clocks to Daylight Savings Time	<b>14</b> Mar. 14-18 Classified School Employee Week	15	16 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	All Grades Conferences Early Release grades PreK-12 No school for p.m. preschool H.S. 10:50 a.m. M.S. 11:30 a.m. E.S. 12:15 p.m. Absolutely Incredible Kid Day® School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	18 All Grades Conferences Early Release grades PreK-12 No school for p.m. preschool H.S. 10:50 a.m. M.S. 11:30 a.m. E.S. 12:15 p.m.	19
20 First Day of Spring	21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22	23 Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	24 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	25	26
27	28	29	30 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	31	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5           6         7         8         9         10         11         12           13         14         15         16         17         18         19           20         21         22         23         24         25         26           27         28	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         1         2         2         3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24         25         26         27         28         29         30

### WE BELIEVE...

"We want to see a world where every student has the opportunity to be who and what they want to be. We work to make this a reality by getting to know every student in our schools and helping them find their path in life."

#### **Ravi and Karen Jaskar**

Husband and wife; TPS parents; Counselors, Hunt Middle School and Sherman Elementary



# April 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5           6         7         8         9         10         11         12           13         14         15         16         17         18         19           20         21         22         23         24         25         26           27         28         29         30         31	MAY           S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         4         5         6         7           8         9         10         11         12         13         14           15         16         17         18         19         20         21           22         23         24         25         26         27         28           29         30         31	National Poetry Month National Autism Awareness Month School Library Month			1	<b>2</b> International Children's Book Day
April 3-9	4	5 Spring Break	6 Spring Break NO SCHOOL	7 Spring Break	8 Spring Break NO SCHOOL District Offices Classed	9
National Library Week 10	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL 12	Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori)	NO SCHOOL 14 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	District Offices Closed 15	16
<b>17</b> Apr. 17-23 National Student Leadership Week	18 Apr. 18-22 Public School Volunteer Week	19	20 Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	21 School Board Study Session 6 p.m.	22 Earth Day	23
<b>24</b> Apr. 24-30 Administrative Professionals Week	25	26	27 Late Start K-12 No School for Preschool (expect Montessori) Administrative Professionals Day	28 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	29 National Arbor Day	30

"Students need to be seen, heard, and taught through a culturally responsive lens. I want to create spaces for change and spaces where families feel like collaborative partners in their student's education. My why is to build community; it is to make the past, present, and future schools where I serve feel like home."

#### Dr. Natasha Wyatt

Principal, Fern Hill Elementary



## May 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
May 1-7 National Physical Education and Sports Week Be Kind to Animals Week May 1-8 National Music Week	May 2-6	National Teacher Day	Late Start K-12 No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool National Bike to School Day			CAT testing
National Music Week	Teacher Appreciation Week	10	11	12	13	SAT testing 14
			Late Start K-12			
Mother's Day World Red Cross Day			No School for Preschool (expect Montessori) National School Nurse Day	School Board Meeting 6 p.m.		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
			Late Start K-12			
			No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	School Board Study Session 6 p.m.		Armed Forces Day
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			Late Start K-12			
			No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool	School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> (Snow make-up day if needed)	
29	30	31			APRIL <u>SMTWTFS</u> 1 2	JUNE <u>SMTWTFS</u> 1234
	Memorial Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed		Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Better Hearing and Speech Month	National Physical Fitness and Sports Month Food Allergy Action Month Mental Health Awareness Month	3     4     5     6     7     8     9       10     11     12     13     14     15     16       17     18     19     20     21     22     23       24     25     26     27     28     29     30	5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

"Through education, we not only understand ourselves better, but the world around us. Education is important to me because it creates opportunity for anyone. How you seize those opportunities is ultimately up to you and your passions."

### Lincoln Nguyen

Student, Lincoln High School class of 2022



### **June 2022**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
June-July Fireworks Safety Months Caribbean-American			Late Start K-12			
Heritage Month LGBTQ+ Pride Month			No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			Late Start K-12			
			No School for Peer Inclusion Preschool			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Race Unity Day	High School Graduation 1 p.m. SOTA 4 p.m. IDEA 7 p.m. SAMi All at the Tacoma Dome	Flag Day High School Graduation 1 p.m. Stadium 4 p.m. Lincoln 7 p.m. Oakland All at the Tacoma Dome	Late Start K-12 Last Day of Preschool High School Graduation 1 p.m. Silas 4 p.m. Mt. Tahoma 7 p.m. Foss All at the Tacoma Dome			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Father's Day Juneteenth	Juneteenth observed <b>NO SCHOOL</b> District Offices Closed	First Day of Summer	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL EARLY RELEASE H.S. 10:50 a.m. M.S. 11:30 a.m. E.S. 12:15 p.m.	Snow make-up day (if needed) School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	Snow make-up day (if needed)	
26	27	28	29	30	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3         45         5         6         7           8         9         10         11         12         13         14           15         16         17         18         19         20         21           22         23         24         25         26         27         28           29         30         31	JULY           S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2           3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24/31         25         26         27         28         29         30

# **July 2022**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Independence Day District Offices Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	15 District Offices Closed	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 District Offices Closed	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29 District Offices Closed	30

# August 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 District Offices Closed	6
7	8	9	10	11 School Board Meeting 6 p.m.	12 District Offices Closed	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 District Offices Closed	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31		S         M         T         W         T         F         S           3         4         5         6         7         8         9           10         11         12         13         14         15         16           17         18         19         20         21         22         23           24/31         25         26         27         28         29         30	S         M         T         W         T         F         S           1         2         3           4         5         6         7         8         9         10           11         12         13         14         15         16         17           18         19         20         21         22         23         24           25         26         27         28         29         30