

Hilltop Elementary School



About Us



THE HUSKY WAY – Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe is the Husky Way. At Hilltop Elementary, we strive to create a stimulating, safe school where everyone is encouraged to reach their maximum potential in an environment of respect, caring and trust.

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Mission Statement of School and District

The Edmonds School District engages students, staff, families, partners and the broader community in the district's Strategic Direction. Together, along with every school, results have been identified that we want for our students. The continual improvement of our schools is essential in providing increased student performance and quality results. Innovative, exemplary, and research-based programs, coupled with professional development, focused and aligned resources, and community participation in decision making and planning are essential elements in improving schools. For more detailed information, please visit our school's improvement plan or give us a call at your convenience.

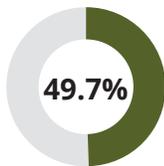
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Our 555 students at a glance:

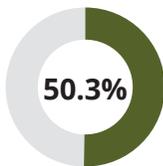


State Assessments

Washington students are tested annually by the state to assess their progress as they move through school. In grades 3-8 students take tests in English language arts, math and science. Please see [our School Report Card](#).



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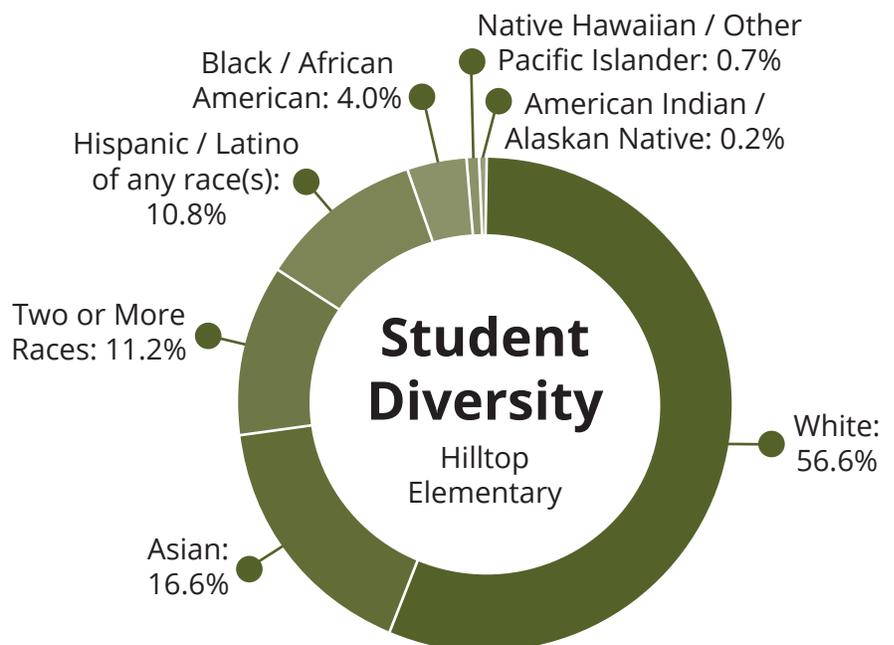
female

Academic Accomplishments and Goals – Focus Areas

Hilltop Elementary is proud that we have seen a steady trend of growth in our reading and math performance. This year, our focus will be on continuing to provide rich core instruction for all students and targeted intervention as needed. Our School Improvement Plan centers around growth in reading, as we continue to see a correlation in how reading skills impact achievement in all subject areas. We believe that combining direct instruction in foundational reading skills with an ongoing focus on comprehension strategies best supports reading development. Teachers have participated in training with staff developers from Columbia University's Teachers College Reading and Writing Project to further our implementation of a balanced literacy approach.

Through grants and donations, we have increased the quality and quantity of texts available to our students, with a particular emphasis on having books that better reflect our school

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community and our diverse world. We continue to look at our practices with an equity lens in an effort to reduce barriers and increase student achievement. Our school theme this year is "Connections," and it is our aim to keep students connected socially, emotionally and academically during both remote and in-person learning.

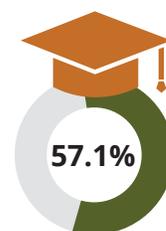
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How You Can Help

We have an incredibly supportive parent community that contributes greatly to our school. Our PTSA enriches the academic experience at Hilltop by offering grants to teachers, providing community events and engaging families. Our Equity Team is a group of parents and staff members that work to remove institutional barriers to student learning. We also have a parent and staff team that plans our yearly STEAM event to give students hands-on experience in these career fields. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the office for more information.

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**Our
35
teachers
at a glance:**



**of teachers
have at least
a Master's
Degree**

**11.9
average
years of
teacher
experience**



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Our Goals

We are setting our sights on our strategic plan for the next five years to focus on the following:

- Equity
- Engagement
- Excellence

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The **Edmonds School District** covers approximately 36 square miles in south Snohomish County and includes the communities of Brier, Edmonds, Lynnwood, Mountlake Terrace, Woodway, and portions of unincorporated Snohomish County.

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Financial Resources

Annually, we produce a Citizens Guide to the District's Budget. One of our highest priorities is being excellent stewards of our community's resources.

Each year, we involve staff, students, families and community members in helping us to set budget priorities. For more information on school funding, we encourage you to refer to the [2019-20 Citizens Guide to the Budget](#).

\$14,260
per-pupil
expenditure

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About Our Building

Opened: 1967

Square footage: 55,328

Remodeled: 1987 and 1992 (additions)

We are proud that our school facility is used extensively by our community for meetings, events and youth activities.

