



NEWS FROM POWERFUL SCHOOLS

Powerful Schools is proud to share that due to enormous growth in Seattle Public Schools, the need has come for John Muir Elementary School to reclaim the classroom we have been using as our office for the last 21 years.!

We have found new, affordable, space just two blocks from John Muir Elementary at the former Chubby & Tubby annex location (now Prudential RNT offices), at the corner of Rainier Avenue & Walden Street.

The new space meets our current and future office needs, and with the addition of a community room and classrooms, it gives us the capacity to add more programming options and to connect deeper with our community.

It is important to note that our in-school programs and staff will remain in our current schools.

Only our administrative staff will move to the new location.

Our official move date is December 9, 2011. **We are planning to host an open house at the new space during the early evening of January 19, 2012 from 5-7:30pm. Please save the date to come check out our great new space!**

Thank you for your continued dedication to Powerful Schools and believing in us to make a difference in the lives of children every day.

Powerful Schools wants to hear from you!

It is always a pleasure to work with your children through creative, educational, after-school classes!

Your input will help Powerful Schools better meet the needs of your family and school.

Please write to us at dmcgibbon@powerfulschools.org

We look forward to hearing from you!

For more info about Powerful Schools visit www.powerfulschools.org.

ORCA K-8 5215 46th Ave S

MONDAY

Wacky Science (NOW 1-1/2 hours!) Grades K-5

We'll learn about physics and chemistry while we learn about sound and how it works. What does sound do to a laser? What does sound do to non-Newtonian fluids? We'll have a blast doing hands-on experiments while exploring the wonderful world of science!!

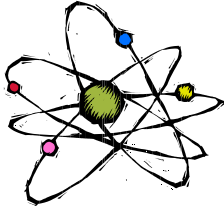
Instructor: Nate Mesnard

Tuition: \$95.

Limit: 15 students

Monday

3:45-5:15pm



Learn Spanish Grades 3-5

Join us for a journey through Spanish conversation, grammar, culture, and travel! As we explore, we'll use songs, games, and interactive activities to experience the magnificent Spanish language!

Instructor: Candace Wright

Tuition: \$75.

Limit: 10 students

Monday

3:45-4:30pm

Cooking with the Seasons Grades K-2

Celebrate the seasons with recipes based on what's harvested from the garden. We'll focus on learning about healthy eating from the garden to the plate all while having fun with holiday themes!

Instructor: Maria Marshall

Tuition: \$75.

Limit: 10 students

Monday

3:45-4:30pm

Elements of Art-Exploring Birds Grades K-2

We'll explore the image of birds and the many art mediums we can use to create them! We'll be mono-printing, felting, drawing, cutting, and even using shadows to portray them.

Instructor: Trisha Gilmore

Tuition: \$75.

Limit: 10 students

Monday

3:45-4:30pm

Tasty Travels! Grades 3-5

We'll be culinary global travelers as we learn all about different cuisines from around the world! We'll learn about cooking and nutrition as we learn about different cultures! It's a big world; bon appetite'!

Instructor: Maria Marshall

Tuition: \$75.

Limit: 10 student

Monday

4:30-5:15pm



Spanish Grades K-2

We'll learn simple conversation, colors, shapes, calendar concepts, and Hispanic culture through fun activities, including music and games!!

Instructor: Candace Wright

Tuition: \$75.

Limit: 10 students

Monday

4:30-5:15pm

Please note that classes are now 45 minutes instead of one hour with the exception of Science. (1-1/2 hours)

We welcome your feedback!

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**Winter 2012
January 23rd-March 19th**

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WEDNESDAY

Math Games!

Grades 1-2

We'll practice math facts, work through examples, and answer any questions about math that students might have. We'll use hands-on activities and discussions to increase understanding of mathematical concepts and facility with Every Day Math algorithms.

Instructor: Eric Slesar

Wednesday

Tuition: \$25

3:45-4:30pm

Limit: 12 students

Let's Play Chess!

Grades K-5

This class is for those who would like to learn to play chess and also those looking to improve their game! Recent studies have shown that playing chess can enhance reading, memory and mathematical ability!

Instructor: Joe Foye

Wednesday

Tuition: \$75.

3:45-4:30pm

Limit: 12 students

Art FUNdamentals

Grades K-2

Young artists will explore basic art skills by using various materials. Personal expression will be encouraged and different techniques explored. Projects will be made by using collage, drawing, painting, printing and 3-D sculpture.

Instructor: Aaron Murray

Wednesday

Tuition: \$75.

3:45-4:30pm

Limit: 10 students

Basketball

Grades 3-5

Join Watts Basketball, founded by Slick and Donald Watts. Learn the FUN-damentals of the game in a fun and exciting environment! Through drills and games, you'll improve your basketball skills, hand-eye coordination, and physical fitness.

Instructor: Watts Basketball

Wednesday

Tuition: \$75.

3:45-4:30pm

Limit: 12 students

I've Got Rhythm!

Grades K-2

We all have rhythm! Come learn how to express your "natural rhythm" by playing a variety of hand percussion instruments and how to listen and respond to certain rhythmic phrases! Join the fun by playing your own rhythms with hand drums, cowbells, and maracas!

Instructor: Larry Jones

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Rhythm and Drumming!

Grades 3-5

Discover some of the ways to express rhythm musically on hand percussion instruments from various countries! We'll visit Latin America, Africa, and Brazil and learn the rhythms these countries are famous for!

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Winter 2012

January 18th-March 21st



Registration Form

Please print

Student's Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____

E-mail address : _____

Home Phone: _____ School Student Attends: _____ Grade _____ Room _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Phone: _____ /name: _____

Yes, I would like to apply for a full scholarship. (for one class)
Income verification must be attached to registration (food stamp card or medical coupon)
Note: Only one full scholarship per family.

I would like to exclude my child from the Powerful Schools Photo Release.

My child has **allergies** or **special needs**.
 Please List: _____

<i>FIRST CHOICE - CLASS</i>	<i>SCHOOL</i>	<i>DAY & TIME</i>	<i>TUITION</i>	<i>TOTAL</i>
1) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

SECOND CHOICE (optional...if first choice is full)

1) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4) _____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Yes, I would like to make a donation to the Powerful Schools' Scholarship Fund _____

Total _____

Credit Card # _____ expiration date: _____ security code: _____ (3 digit # on back of card)

Transportation (check one)

- My child will walk (himself/herself) home after class(es) My child will go to First Base (after class(es))
- My child will ride the city bus home after class(es) (by himself/herself) My child will be picked up

Individuals Authorized to pick-up my child

Name _____ Phone # _____

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I expect Powerful Schools' instructors to provide supervision during class time. I will hold the Seattle School District, Powerful Schools, and their instructors harmless for activities beyond their reasonable control. I will be responsible for arranging transportation to and from all classes. I understand that Powerful Schools is not a child care service. I will pick up my child(ren), in a timely manner, when classe(s) has concluded. Powerful Schools has the right to charge a fee if I am late in picking-up my children. After two late pick-ups, Powerful Schools has the authority to terminate participation in their classes.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Registration Information

1. **Registration deadline** Winter 2012 Term is Friday, January 13th, 2012. Term will begin Wednesday, January 18, 2012. Space is limited, so please register early. Make checks payable to: **Powerful Schools.**

By Mail: Send completed registration form with check to:

Powerful Schools
3401 Rainier Ave S Suite C
Seattle, WA 98144
Attn: Debbie

In Person: Registration with payments may be dropped off at any of the Powerful Schools during regular school hours or dropped off at our new location at the address above.

We are sorry for the inconvenience, but due to overwhelming demand, we are no longer able to accept phone registrations. Please bring registration form directly to your school office or give to the Powerful Schools site coordinator.

2. **Locations:** Unless otherwise stated, classes are held at one of the six Powerful Schools. All classes will begin and end in the lunchroom. You **must** sign out your child in the lunchroom at the end of class.
3. **Tuition:** Class tuition is noted in the course description. Tuition is due at the beginning of each session, unless special permission is given by the site coordinator and a payment plan has been arranged.

Partial/Full Scholarships: Scholarships are awarded based on need and a first come, first serve basis. You may request one full scholarship per family. In order to do so, Powerful Schools needs verification of income (**food stamp card, public access medical, etc. are acceptable**). **You must send income verification along with your registration.** This information will be considered confidential and not shared with anyone.

4. **Course Cancellation:** Powerful Schools reserves the right to cancel or modify classes when necessary. Courses are canceled if the minimum enrollment of students is not reached before the first class meeting. If a course is canceled, students and parents will be notified by phone.

Refund Policy:

- When classes are canceled by Powerful Schools, complete refunds are given.
 - Students who withdraw before the second class will receive 75% of their tuition costs.
 - After the second class, no refunds will be given.
 - Powerful Schools reserves the right to terminate students' enrollment from class (es) and/or program when behavior expectations are not met.
5. **Late Fee Policy:** At the end of the student's assigned class the authorized pick-up person will be given a **5 minute grace** period to pick-up their child(ren). After 5 minutes, a late fee **of \$1 per minute** will be instituted. Late fees are to be paid in full to the staff on duty prior to the subsequent class. We request parents to make alternative pick-up plans in case of an emergency and notify Powerful Schools staff. **Two late pick-ups are cause for termination from the program.** If any child is still at the school after the site coordinator's shift has ended, the **Seattle Police or Child Protective Services will be contacted.**
 6. Please mark your course dates on your calendar. **A Confirmation Letter will be emailed or sent home.**

Powerful Schools is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting student success in Seattle's academically and economically challenged south end public elementary schools. It is locally and nationally recognized for its ability to collaborate with school communities to improve student achievement in reading, writing and the arts through in-class and after-school learning and enrichment opportunities. Powerful Schools serves more than 2,300 students across nine elementary schools.

Our Mission

Powerful Schools reduces the academic achievement gap by creating strong partnerships with public schools to help children thrive. Through literacy, arts, after-school, and leadership programs, we ensure all children succeed both in and out of school.

What we do

Through immersion in literacy and the arts, Powerful Schools engages students in learning to enhance critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and information retention.

Tutoring: Trained tutors work one-on-one with struggling readers, applying a proven model that brings most students to grade level reading within one year.

Professional Development: In-class writing instruction provides professional development to teachers and strengthens the skills of students. Daily writing workshops bring professional writers and trained volunteers into the classroom.

Artist residencies: Professional artists bring curriculum to life with hands-on art projects.

Extended day: After-school classes and homework centers extend the learning day for students and invite the entire community into the school to enjoy academic, multi-cultural and recreational opportunities.

