



MISD E-Clips

Successfully preparing students for the cognitive, global and digital world



Reminder: No School Monday, Jan. 15 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day and District offices closed.

Help keep student emergency contacts updated

Mercer Island families wishing to update their student's emergency contact information may do so by downloading the [Student Change of Information form](#). Complete only the change in emergency contact list portion and return to your child's school office.

[Update from MISD and MIPD on recent incidents](#)

This message was sent to Mercer Island School District (MISD) families from Chief Ed Holmes of the Mercer Island Police Department (MIPD) and MISD Superintendent Donna Colosky on Jan 5.

[Kindergarten Roundup information sessions set for Jan. 30](#)

Each Mercer Island elementary school (Island Park, Lakeridge, Northwood and West Mercer) will hold a Kindergarten Roundup information session from 6 to 7 p.m. on January 30. Parents with incoming kindergarteners are invited to attend and learn more about the school their child will be attending. No children please. Kindergarten registration for the 2018-19 school year begins on January 31.



[MIHS drama presents 'Good Kids' as winter play](#)

Please join MIHS' Drama Department as they present their winter play, *Good Kids*, by Naomi Iizuka. In the play, set at a midwestern high school, in a world of Facebook, Twitter & smartphones, *Good Kids* explores a traumatic sexual encounter and its very public aftermath.

[KMIH - 889 The Bridge nominated for 13 national awards](#)

The staff of the Mercer Island High School radio station, KMIH - 889 The Bridge, have been nominated in 13 categories in the 78th Annual Intercollegiate Broadcasting System (IBS) Golden Microphone awards.



[Replacement educational maintenance and operations levy on February 2018 ballot](#)

The Mercer Island School Board has unanimously approved an educational maintenance and operations levy proposition to be put to voters on the February 13, 2018 special election ballot. The four-year levy replaces the one that was passed by Mercer

Island voters in 2014.

[Nominations open for third year of Pathfinder Awards honoring Mercer Island High School alumni](#)

The Mercer Island School District is now seeking nominations for its third annual Pathfinder Awards. The award celebrates graduates of Mercer Island High School whose achievements, strength of character, and citizenship inspire and challenge today's youth. The deadline to submit nominations online is January 31, 2018.



[Sign up for FlashAlert for notifications of weather-related closures or late starts](#)

To receive the most immediate updates on closures or late starts, go to the Flash Alert Newswire website at www.flashalert.net/id/MercerIslandSD to sign up for email and text alerts, and download the free FlashAlert Messenger app for iPhone or Android devices

[MI Parent Edge: Kids & Race: Changing the Narrative](#)

(For parents of preschool through middle school students)

7 p.m., January 18

Northwood Elementary School
4030 86th Ave SE

How can parents and educators empower their children to be successful participants in an increasingly racialized world? Learn from Jasen Frelot how the stories we unintentionally tell our children to have the greatest impact on their racial identity development and steps for empowering families to address racial injustice in a loving, sustainable, humble way. Jasen Frelot is a co-founder of Kids and Race Seattle, which has been featured in Parent Map Magazine and on NPR.

Parent Edge
Mercer Island Parent Education
Bringing Ideas & Insights to Empower Parents, Students, Teachers & Staff

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KIDS & RACE: Changing the Narrative

Race still matters in America today. How can we raise children who go beyond the superficial notion of colorblindness to see and challenge the ways that privilege still shapes our lives? How can parents prepare to seize the teachable moments that arise when we least expect them?

Join **Jasen Frelot** in a conversation about how parents and educators can empower their children to be successful participants in an increasingly racialized world. Topics covered include how the stories we unintentionally tell our children have the greatest impact on their racial identity development, tips for avoiding and addressing those "Oh my, I can't believe (s)he just said something that racist" moments, and steps for empowering families and schools to address racial injustice within and outside their communities in a loving, sustainable, humble way.

FREE for PTA members in the MISD. For non-MI PTA members, \$10 at the door.
REGISTER to attend event at Eventbrite.com (search Mercer Island events)

Jasen Frelot is the Executive Director of Kids and Race, a program which empowers adults and children to take responsibility for dismantling racism through honest conversations and loving action. He is also the founding director of Columba City Preschool of Arts and Culture, an early learning program that seeks to normalize and integrate conversations about race and inclusion into an open, affirming learning environment. His work has been featured on podcasts and publications such as KIDON, The Seattle Times, Parentmap Magazine, and Fox News.

Jointly sponsored by the PTAs of MIHS, IMS, Island Park, Lakeridge, Northwood, West Mercer & MIPA.

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For more information about Mercer Island schools, visit www.MercerIslandSchools.org.

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Mission: Mercer Island Schools will deliver a 21st century education that prepares students to convert information into knowledge and create innovative solutions demanded by tomorrow's world.

Vision 2020: "Our students will thrive in the cognitive, global and digital world while sustaining their passion and inspiration for learning."

Learn more about the seven fundamentals of Vision 2020 by [following this link](#).

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The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

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Section 504 & ADA Coordinator: Dr. Lindsay Myatich, Director, (206) 236-3326,
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