



Family Welcome Packet 2026-2027

Together, We Are Salmon Bay!

Dear Salmon Bay K-8 Families,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! Here's a quick guide to help you get connected to FOSB and the Salmon Bay community. Please take a few minutes to:

- ☐ **Subscribe to the FOSB e-newsletter and join our directory [here](#).** This is also where you can share interest in volunteering. Both the FOSB newsletter and directory are optional ways to stay informed on events, needs, and get connected with other families.
- ☐ **Read the financial information for the year ahead** (page 2) to learn about fees, camps, scholarships, and what FOSB helps support.
- ☐ **Sync the FOSB calendar [here](#)** with your personal calendar so you don't miss important dates and events (see page 4 for our FOSB calendar).

That's it! A few quick steps now will help you stay connected and in the know throughout the year. Continue reading for more information and details.

Please reach out to us anytime at fosbchair@gmail.com—we're always happy to help!

Chelsea and Jenn

Chelsea Rittenmyer (Elementary Co-Chair) and Jenn Tennent (Middle School Co-Chair)

About Friends of Salmon Bay (FOSB)

FOSB is Salmon Bay's non-profit Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). If you have a student at Salmon Bay, you're automatically a member of FOSB, along with our teachers and staff, no dues required. FOSB works hard to build an inclusive and equitable community where every student can participate and thrive.

- Support students and teachers with classroom supplies, camps, afterschool programming, scholarships, and more.
- Connect families and our school community through communication, events, and activities.
- Fill gaps in district funding that pay for staffing and additional resources.
- Build volunteer support for classrooms, programs, events, and community needs.
- Amplify family voices and advocate for the needs of our students.

We hope you'll find a way to participate that works for your family. Together, we all make Salmon Bay stronger!

Financial Information for 2026-2027

Seattle Public Schools provides a fixed annual budget that supports the foundation of our school. But so much of what makes Salmon Bay K-8 vibrant and connected goes beyond what district funding alone can provide. Families and caregivers help sustain the enrichment, staffing, programs, and experiences that allow our students and school community to flourish.

Our goal is to bridge the gap between what our school community needs and what district funding provides, while ensuring every student can fully participate in the Salmon Bay K–8 experience.

Below is an overview of the fees families will be asked to contribute throughout the school year.

Fees At-a-Glance

Fees help make field trips, overnight programs, and other enriching experiences possible. Collected in fall and spring, fees vary by grade based on planned activities. **Full and partial scholarships are available to ensure every student can participate.**

- **Back-to-School Supplies:** Bulk classroom supplies for K–5 and community supplies for grades 6–8
- **School Day Enrichment:** Field trips and classroom-based experiences organized by SBK8
- **Grade-Level Camps:** Overnight and extended learning experiences by grade
- **Spring Enrichment Program (SEP):** Daytime enrichment activities on select Fridays in March/April

The school will send information on payment and scholarship opportunities to families in September and January.

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Fall Fees	\$145	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$195	\$640	\$445	\$255	\$255
Spring Fees	\$50	\$150	\$164	\$250	\$305	\$0	\$270	\$650	\$725

Note: These fees are estimates based on prior years and may vary slightly.

Need Help with Fees?

Full and partial scholarships are available. Families requesting assistance can contact:

- Elementary School Social Worker: Allie Ash · aeash@seattleschools.org
- Middle School Counselor: Rob Bright · rabright@seattleschools.org

Grade-Level Trips & Camps

Camps are organized and run by the school. FOSB provides behind-the-scenes support and ensures scholarships are available for any student who needs financial assistance. The camps are listed below for reference.

Grade	Camp / Outing	Timing
K	Camp Long	Spring · 1 day
1	Camp Indianola	Spring · 1 night
2	Camp Indianola	Spring · 2 nights
3	Camp Coleman	Spring · 2 nights
4	Camp Seymour	Spring · 2 nights
5	IslandWood	Winter · 2 nights
6	Camp Orkila	September · 2 nights
	Spring Outing	June · 2 days
7	Fall Connections	September · 3 days
	NatureBridge	June · 2 nights
8	Fall Connections	September · 3 days
	Camp Orkila	June · 3 nights

Note: Additional grade-level outings and experiences are supported throughout the year.

Funding Our School

FOSB fundraises each year to fund staff, programs, scholarships, and resources that district funding and family fees alone cannot cover.

For the 2026–27 school year, FOSB is investing \$315,000 to support Salmon Bay students and staff. FOSB is funded through voluntary donations and annual fundraising campaigns. Learn more or make a gift [here](#), and keep an eye out for our fall fundraising campaign.

2026-2027 FOSB Calendar At-A-Glance

Here's a look at what's ahead with FOSB!

These events are opportunities to connect, celebrate, and support our Salmon Bay community throughout the year. Exact dates and logistics will be shared via our FOSB e-news and posted on the FOSB calendar. You can sync your calendar [here](#) to stay in the loop!

When Event	What To Expect
September or October Pizza on the Playstreet	Welcome-back gathering for families with food, crafts, and community connection.
October Fall Fundraising Campaign	FOSB's annual campaign supports staff, programs, resources, scholarships, and community efforts. Help spread the word and share why FOSB matters to Salmon Bay!
November Multicultural Celebration & Potluck	Join us for a celebration of the identities, cultures, and experiences that make up our community.
December Evening Lantern Festival	A celebration of love and light with lanterns, winter treats, and community singing.
January/February Science & Arts Fair	A new STEAM showcase where students can share existing or new work. Collaboration and ideas are welcome!
March Pi(e) Night	Celebrate Pi Day with pie, math games, and a pi-recitation competition.
April/May Spring FUNdraiser & Auction Party	End-of-year celebration and fundraiser. Donate items/experiences, spread the word, or join us for a night out!
Year-Round Buy-In Parties	Community-building events that raise funds for FOSB. Past events include karaoke, pickleball, crafting, Murder Mystery Night, and more. Have a fun idea? Consider hosting one!