



GPHS students head to class on one of the first days in their new school.

How Snohomish gave birth to grizzlies

In 2003, many Snohomish schools were overcrowded and in need of repair. The Board of Directors formed a Citizens Facilities Advisory Committee (CFAC) to study the situation. After soliciting nominations and applications, the board appointed **36 community members** who represented the diverse perspectives, interests, skills, and backgrounds of our Snohomish School District community.

CFAC members conducted a detailed assessment of all district schools and buildings, reviewed student enrollment projections, forecasted the need for changes to district facilities, and developed a capital facilities plan that included a viable financial strategy.

This group of dedicated citizens met weekly March through November of 2003 to tour existing district facilities, research enrollment and costs, and formulate a plan. Their findings and draft recommendations were presented to the community in a series of public forums. The CFAC recommendations were then updated to include community input and presented to the school board in December, 2003. Their three-phase plan called for an initial bond of \$141.5 million. Acting on the CFAC's recommendation, the board unanimously placed a capital facilities bond on the ballot. Snohomish voters approved this bond on May 18, 2004.

Design work on "Snohomish High School #2" began in the fall of 2004, and the community was invited to participate in a workshop to identify our values and goals for the new high school in January of 2005. This input, along with the contributions of the educational specification and design committees, shaped the school's design throughout the next 18 months.

Site work began in the spring of 2006, and we officially broke ground that fall. Construction continued through 2007 and into this year. We began to install classroom furniture and technology in June 2008, and moved into the building in August so that we could welcome students to their first full day of school on Thursday, September 4, 2008 ...

... and the rest, as they say, is history.

Thank you for your contributions!

2003 CFAC & 2004 Citizens Advisory Committee

Ann Averill	Merle Kirkley	Doug Nelson	Dana Smith
Philip Bastian	Robert Knight	Ronald Newhard	Melissa Spada
Brad Agerup	Susan Kometani-	Greg Nourigat	Keith Stefanson
Randy Anderson	Dittman	John Oglesby	William Steffener
Brian Berard	Barbara Kusler	John L. Patterson	Mark Steranka
Jonathan Bishop	Rodney Langer	Ed Peterson	Dan Stevens
Paul Cassidy	Rich Leahy	Robert Reid	Stephen Strickler
John H. Green, Jr.	Jerry Litzenberger	Keely Reinhard	Michael Tipton
Ed Hare	Mark Mantei	Jeff Ristoff	Jim Turner
Larry Kenoyer	Christi McCaughan	Thomas Rogers	Patty Venema
Rex Kerby	Heather Miller	Angie Scharbau	

High School Educational Specifications Committee

Alisa Myers	Mike Houghan	Bill Nicolay	Edward Sherman
Faye Britt	Robert Isaacson	Diana Plumis	Jillian Smith
Steve Cotterill	Linda Kautz	Beth Porter	Joel Steinbaugh
Tiffany Coleman	Larry Kenoyer	Jim Price	Tomm Stewart
John Dragavon	Julie Long	Keely Reinhard	Patty Venema
Kim Heinemann	Jeff Michaelson	Ken Roberts	Volkert Volkersz
Dick Hetland	Susan Moore	Jan Rossiter	Sean Wilson

High School Boundary Committee

Susan Craig	Bruce McDowell	Beth Porter	Miles Schreiner
Mary Curry	David Micketti	Keely Reinhard	Josh Seek
Michelle Green	Cathy Minogue	Karen Riddle	Suzanne Siekawitch
Leanne Hashberger	John Nina	Betty Robertson	Stephanie Younie
David Johnston	Chuck Peterson	Joan Robinett-Wilson	

High School Planning Committee

Mark Albertine	Ben Hill	Ann Lewis	Craig Smith
David Ballinger	Scott Hodgins	Jeff Michaelson	Boris Srdar
Tami Caraballo	Vince Ivelia	Bill Nicolay	Greg Stack
Steve Cotterill	Colin Jones	Sara Pendergast	Marshall Wilcox
Larry Countryman	Mary Anne Jones	Diana Plumis	Robyn Wright
Kim Heinemann	Kevin Judkins	Ken Roberts	

"Name That High School" Committee

Community:	Scott Helm, VV	Parents:	District Staff:
Richard Alverdes	Elizabeth Horne, SFC	Jerry Hawkins	Greg Barker
Cliff Bailey	James Horne, TF	Arlene Horne	Brian Hill
Nancy Whitson	Ashley Lawrence, VV	Mary Beth Hots	Laura Lackey
	Hannah Micketti, SFC	Julie Matheny	Shannon Parthemer
Students:	McKenzie Smith, SFC	David Micketti	Betty Robertson
Hannah Freitas, SFC	Leah Uhl, SH	Carrie Uhl	Annie Stone
Kelli Froland, VVMS	Halie Venema, SFC	Patty Venema	
Marcus Heard, VV	Samuel Smith, SFC		

Glacier Peak High School Core Team

Tami Caraballo	Eran Gourarie	Laura Lackey	Paul Nixon
Teri Corwin	Scott Hodgins	Maija Lampinen	Lance Peters
Tom Couture	Brannon Jackson	Peter Mohn	Dawn Russell
Jim Dean	Jane Johnson	Tadd Morris	Alicia Sents
Robin Furlan	Jim Johnson	Meri Munson	Kris VanderSanden
Christa Gaustad	Matt King	Jennifer Norton	

Glacier Peak High School

Home of the Grizzlies



One Snohomish, Two High Schools

Our community came together in important ways to make this exciting day possible. The seeds for Glacier Peak High School were planted in 2003 when a citizen-led committee studied our schools and developed a long-range plan.

Our community initially demonstrated its support by approving a bond measure in May 2004. Since then, our community has stepped up time and again with the generous contribution of time, knowledge, and other resources to make this new high school possible.

Literally hundreds of parents, students, teachers, support staff, and community members came together to determine everything from the school's boundaries, educational specifications and building design to the school name, mascot and colors. **Thank you!**



Open House & Dedication

October 15, 2008 5-7pm

Glacier Peak High School

7401 - 144th Place SE; Snohomish, WA 98296

5 – 6 pm Open House

Slide Show

Repeating photo show in the gym

Student-Led Guided Tours

Meet at front office or gym entrances
(last tour starts at 5:30)

GPHS Jazz Ensemble

Performing in the commons, 5:30 - 6

6 – 7 pm

GPHS Dedication

Welcome &

Introduction of Guests

Jim Dean, *Principal*

Presentation of Colors

SHS JROTC

National Anthem

Anne Burdette, *GPHS Soloist*

Superintendent's Remarks

Dr. Mester

Brief Visual History of GPHS

Ben Hill & Jim Price, *GPHS Project Management Team*, and Catherine Jorgensen, *ASB President*

Remarks:

Tom Pendergast

School Board Member

Hans Dunshee

Representative, 44th District

Pam Bayette

GPHS Artist

Phil Bastian

2003 CFAC Co-Chair

Cliff Bailey

SHS Grad & Former State Senator

Closing performance

GPHS Cheer Squad

Architect

NAC Architecture

General Contractor

Lydig Construction, Inc.

Site Work Contractor

A1 Landscaping, Inc.

Public Agencies

Snohomish County

Planning & Development

Snohomish County Public Works

Snohomish County Council

Silver Lake Water District

Snohomish County PUD

Glacier Peak High School Project Management Team

Bill Dobyns,

Lydig Construction, Inc.

Ben Hill

NAC Architecture

Jeff Long

Lydig Construction, Inc.

Jim Price

Snohomish School District

Louise Wackerman

NAC Architecture

Snohomish School District

Board of Directors, 2003 - Present

Jay Hagen, *2008 Board President*

Board Member: 1997 - Present

Ken Housden

1999 - 2003

Leah Hughes-Anderson

2003 - Present

David Johnston

2007 - Present

Cyd Nourigat

2001 - 2007

Tom Pendergast

2001 - Present

Josh Seek

2007 - Present

Dennis Wick

1999 - 2007

Superintendent, 2002 - Present

William A. Mester, Ph.D.



Photo courtesy Todd Elvig

How our school got its name

Our new high school has a world-class view of the North Cascade Mountains (as seen in the photo above). One of the largest mountains visible when the skies are clear is Glacier Peak, which is an active volcano that can only be seen from a few sites in our area. This makes it a significant geographical characteristic of our school's location.

A "Name That High School" committee with students, community members, parents, and district employees was formed early in 2007 and met with the assistance of facilitators. The committee was guided by Snohomish School District Policy 9114, which states that "new district facilities shall be named after geographic names of historical significance or after the geographical characteristics in which the facility is located."

The committee reviewed 211 names culled from a total number of 492 submitted. The name Glacier Peak was generated from within the committee and nominated by three members of the community:

- ♦ Kelly Holderman,
- ♦ Carol Mitchell, and
- ♦ William Morse.

On April 25, 2007, the committee presented three names to the board:

- ♦ Eagle Ridge High School,
- ♦ Three Rivers High School, and
- ♦ Glacier Peak High School.

The board received public comment about these names through the district's website and by phone from April 25 - May 16.

On May 23, 2007, the board approved the name Glacier Peak High .

Important moments in time

March 26, 2003	School board passes Resolution No. 04-03 forming a Citizens Facilities Advisory Committee (CFAC)
November 2003	Community forums held to receive community feedback on CFAC findings, proposed long-term strategic plan, and financial options
December 10, 2003	CFAC presents their findings and final recommendations to the school board
February 25, 2004	Board approves Resolution No. 07-04 to place a capital facilities bond before voters
May 18, 2004	Voters approve \$141.5 million bond
February, 2005	Land purchased from Snohomish County
Summer 2004	Educational Specifications Committee formed
October 2004	Citizens Advisory Committee formed
January 5, 2005	Educational Specifications presented to the board
January 2005	High School Planning Committee formed
March 2, 2005	Site plan & building options presented to the board
June 2, 2006	HS boundaries adopted by the school board
November 3, 2006	Groundbreaking ceremony
Jan - Feb, 2007	Nominations received to "Name That High School"
May 23, 2007	Board approves name: Glacier Peak High School
Fall 2007	Glacier Peak High School Core Team selected
September 4, 2008	First full day of school at GPHS