

Warrenton: 'Kids are resilient, but eventually that growth will impact what we're doing'

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a master campus and a new middle school. Subsequent bond measures over the next 14 years would pay to move Warrenton High School, then the rest of the grade school.

Tom Rogozinski, the grade school principal for the past five years, remembers his first report to the school board, when he oversaw fewer than 650 students. Since then, the school has been adding anywhere between 15 and 25 students a year, he said. Where the school district used to run average grade sizes in the 60s, eighth grade is now the least populous with about 80 kids. And while classroom space has expanded, the support areas like gyms, cafeterias, bathrooms and lockers have not.

"It all syncs in," he said of how the school manages so many kids. "It might not be optimal, but it all fits into something sustainable. But there is a limit."

The grade school opens the cafeteria a half hour earlier than the rest of the campus for parents to drop off kids early and avoid the traffic jams on Ninth Street when the school opens



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Barbara Schade, left, a teacher at Warrenton Grade School, ushers in a wave of students and parents heading to class from the cafeteria Tuesday.

and the parking lot shuts down to all but school buses.

The ballet of balancing the schedules of so many grades is never more apparent than in the cafeteria.

After providing free breakfast, the school's food service staff has about a one-hour break before running two grades at a time through 15- to 20-minute lunches before recess. While the layout and operations have been finely honed, the school simply needs more capacity to ease the strain on kitchen staff, said Vice Princi-

pal Sean O'Malley.

The school district saved money on its portables by not including plumbing. To ease the strain on water fountains shared by up to 400 students, the district installed water coolers in the portables and gave kids water bottles.

To ease the crush at the end of the day, the school staggers release times. It has also been adding more after-school programs to enrich students' learning while easing peak afternoon congestion, Rogozinski said. "The investments have been

awesome for our kids to keep the programming at a high level," he said. "The kids are resilient, but eventually that growth will impact what we're doing."

The school district has zeroed in on a 58-acre parcel on Dolphin Avenue south of Walmart for a new K-12 master campus. If the bond passes, the district will begin the discussion with staff and the community about how the campus will look, said Mark Jeffery, the superintendent in Warrenton.

"The big thing I think we spend a lot of time talking about is traffic flow, and not just designing it for the middle school, but laying the whole thing out," Jeffery said.

Another aspect will be whether to have one large school building or separate campuses, Jeffery said.

Regardless of whether the bond passes, the glut of students at the grade school is slowly moving toward the high school. Now at about 260 students, Jeffery sees the high school ballooning to around 350 students in the next few years, taking on the portable classrooms and similar issues of overcrowding.

Kavanaugh stresses independence: 'No one is above the law'

By MARK SHERMAN and LISA MASCARO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh repeatedly stressed the importance of judicial independence as he faced questioning at his confirmation hearing today from senators, including Democrats who fear he would be President Donald Trump's man on the high court.

Pressed by Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley, a Republican, on whether he would be independent from the president who nominated him, Kavanaugh responded, "No one is above the law."

The second day of Kavanaugh's confirmation hearings began much as the first with protesters often interrupting proceedings. But senators then plunged into their initial opportunity to publicly question him in what was expected to be a marathon day of examination.

The hearing has strong political overtones ahead of the November election, but Democrats lack the votes to block Kavanaugh's confirmation. They fear Kavanaugh will push the court to the right on abortion, guns and other issues, and that

he will side with Trump in cases stemming from Robert Mueller's investigation of Trump's 2016 campaign.

Addressing some of those concerns, Kavanaugh said that "the first thing that makes a good judge is independence, not being swayed by political or public pressure." He cited historic court cases including Brown v. Board of Education that desegregated schools and U.S. v. Nixon that compelled the president to turn over the Watergate tapes -- a ruling that Kavanaugh had previously questioned.

"That takes some backbone," he said of the justices who decided those cases.

Asked about court precedents, the importance of previously settled cases including the landmark Roe v. Wade decision that ensures access to abortion, Kavanaugh said, "Respect for precedent is important. ... Precedent is rooted right in the Constitution itself."

Trump nominated Kavanaugh, 53, to fill the seat of retired Justice Anthony Kennedy. The change could make the court more conservative on a range of issues.

Republicans hope to confirm Kavanaugh in time for the first day of the new Supreme Court term, Oct. 1.

Waldorf: 'The good news is that we always prevail'

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"Yes we were surprised and disappointed that we did not get awarded funding for our state application the first time around," Julie Garver, the housing development director for Innovative Housing, said in an email. "However, the funding is extremely competitive, and it often takes a couple of tries to get funded through this source."

The state uses a variety of criteria to evaluate competing applications, including census data that compares a community's ratio of affordable housing supply and the number of people below a certain income level with other rural communities, she said.

"It is difficult to get a good snapshot of what a community is really struggling with by using this calculation," Garver said. "What if people working in an area can't live there due to lack of housing? Census data won't show them 'liv-

ing' in that community, and as a result people do not get figured into the calculation."

While Innovative Housing is disappointed by the delay, they are used to being "extremely persistent" to get projects funded given limited resources available for affordable housing, Garver said. The organization develops multi-family and low-income apartment buildings in Oregon and Washington state.

"The good news is that we always prevail," Garver added, "even if it takes a little longer."

For now, Estes and city staff will work to get a better understanding of how the state measures housing needs. Estes and city councilors hope a housing study organized by the county could provide more evidence to convince the state to change its mind about the Waldorf project. The housing study, intended to provide cities with a better understanding of housing needs, is expected to wrap up by the end

of the year.

Garver told the city's Historic Landmarks Commission last May that it could take some time for the Waldorf project to get off the ground. The sale of the Waldorf to Innovative Housing didn't close until late last year.

The Waldorf, also known as the Merwyn Hotel, had been targeted for demolition when the city considered expanding the Astoria Library. Preservationists argued against the decision and the City Council has since voted to renovate the library within its existing footprint. City Hall still faces issues related to its proximity to the aging Waldorf build-

ing, but Estes said Innovative Housing has been responsive to concerns, dealing with problems as they arise.

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A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2 KATU	2	KATU News at 6 (N)		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Goldbergs	Amer. Housewife	Modern Family	Amer. Housewife	Shark Tank		KATU News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
5 KOMO	4	KOMO 4 News (N)		Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	The Goldbergs	Amer. Housewife	Modern Family	Amer. Housewife	Shark Tank		KOMO 4 News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
5 KING	5	NBC News (N)	KING 5 Special (N)	KING 5 News	Evening	America-Talent "Live Results 4" (N)		World of Dance "Divisional Final" (N)				KING 5 News (N)	(35) Tonight Show
6 KOIN	6	KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight (N)	Big Brother (N)		SEAL Team "Enemy of My Enemy"	Criminal Minds "Last Gasp"			News (N)	(35) Colbert
7 KIRO	7	KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight (N)	Big Brother (N)		SEAL Team "Enemy of My Enemy"	Criminal Minds "Last Gasp"			KIRO News (N)	(35) Colbert
8 KGW	8	KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)		Tonight Cassidy	Inside Edition	America-Talent "Live Results 4" (N)		World of Dance "Divisional Final" (N)				KGW News (N)	(35) Tonight Show
9 KRCW	9	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Burden Truth "Devil in the Dessert" (N)		Just for Laughs "Back to School" (N)	News at 10 (N)	Friends		Two and a Half	Two and a Half
10 KOPB	10	Journeys in Japan	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Secret Life of Dogs		Ken Burns "The War" An exclusive look at "The Vietnam War."				R. Steves' Dynamic	
12 KPTV	12	6 O'Clock News (N)		Family Feud	Family Feud	MasterChef "Restaurant Takeover" (N)		MasterChef "Cooking With Heart" (N)	10 O'Clock News (N)			News (N)	Page Six TV
13 KPDX	13	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Prime News (N)		Prime News (N)	Family Guy	American Dad!		The Game	The Game
14 KCQK	14	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Restaurant Takeover" (N)		MasterChef "Cooking With Heart" (N)	Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N)			News (N)	The Simpsons
20 TBS	20	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory Big Bang Theory		Big Bang Theory Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal		Conan	
22 KZJL	22	Friends Pt. 1 of 2	Friends Pt. 2 of 2	Mom	Modern Family	Mom	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9 (N)	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory		Two and a Half	Two and a Half
29 ESPN	29	4:00 ITF Tennis U.S. Open (L)		SportsCenter (N)				SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N)	Around the Horn	Interruption		First Take	The hottest topics in sports are debated. (N)
30 ESPN2	30	ESPN Films "Crossroads"		NFL's Greatest (N)		NFL Live		Around the Horn	Interruption			Friends	(35) Friends
31 NICK	31	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	Double Dare	Double Dare	To Be Announced				Friends	(35) Friends
32 DISN	32	(5:00) Cars ('06) Voices of Owen Wilson.	(5:30) Cars ('06) Voices of Owen Wilson.	** Cars 2 ('11, Ani)	Voices of Owen Wilson, Michael Caine, Larry the Cable Guy.			Stuck in Middle	Stuck in Middle	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Friends	Raven's Home
34 FAM	34	(5:00) Pocahontas	(5:30) *** Big Hero 6 (2014, Animated)	Voices of Scott Adsit, Genesis Rodriguez, Ryan Potter.				*** Inside Out (2015, Animated)	Amy Poehler, Bill Hader, Kaitlyn Dias.			The 700 Club	
35 FMC	35	(5:50) Kung Fu Panda 3 ('16, Ani)	Angelina Jolie, Jack Black.	(4:00) FXM Presents	The Walk (2015, Adventure)	Charlotte Le Bon, Ben Kingsley, Joseph Gordon-Levitt.		Bon, Ben Kingsley, Joseph Gordon-Levitt.	The Walk ('15, Adv)			Charlotte Le Bon, Joseph Gordon-Levitt.	
36 LIFE	36	Grey's Anatomy "Leave It Inside"	Grey's Anatomy "True Colors"	Live PD: Women	Live PD: Women	Live PD: Women	Live PD: Women	(05) PD Women	(35) PD Women	(05) PD Women	(35) PD Women	(05) PD Women	(35) PD Women
38 ROOT	38	(4:30) DFL Soccer	Mariners Pre-game	MLB Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Seattle	Mariners Site: Safeco Field -- Seattle, Wash. (L)			Post-game	Press Pass (N)	MLB Baseball Baltimore vs Seattle	TUF Talk	MLB Talk	UFU Tonight
39 FS1	39	Ultimate Fighter "Biggest and Baddest"	Ultimate Fighter "Throw Leather" (N)	TUF Talk (N)	MLB Whiparound (L)			CFB: Inside Slant	The Ultimate Fighter "Tirrow Leather"			TUF Talk	UFU Tonight
43 SPIKE	43	Mom	Mom	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	*** Fast Five (2011, Action)	Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson, Vin Diesel.			The Daily Show (N)	The Office
44 COM	44	(1:15) South Park	(5:00) South Park	The Jeffersons"	(2:25) South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park		The Daily Show (N)	The Office
45 HIST	45	American Pickers "Twin at all Costs"	Amer. Pickers "Tunnels and Treasures"	Hoarders "Arline/ Carolyn"		Amer. Pickers "Rock and a Hard Place"	American Pickers "Junkyard Gold" (N)	(05) Amer. Pickers "Ripe for the Picking"	(05) A. Pickers "If You Talk Nice to Me"			(05) Born This Way	"Joyride"
46 A&E	46	Hoarders "Dawn/ Linda"	Hoarders "Arline/ Carolyn"	My 600-lb Life "Pauline's Story"	My 600-lb Life "Ashley R.'s Story"	Ashley decides it's time for a drastic change.		Dr. Pimple "The Lipoma Whisperer"	My 600-lb Life "Ashley R.'s Story"			(05) Expedition Unknown	
47 TLC	47	Say Yes-Dress "I'm Having a Moment"	My 600-lb Life "Pauline's Story"	My 600-lb Life "Ashley R.'s Story"	Ashley decides it's time for a drastic change.			Expedition Unknown "Mahogany Ship"	(05) Expedition Unknown			(05) Expedition Unknown	
48 DISC	48	Exp. Unknown "Italy's Barbarian Booty"	Exp. Unknown "Captain Kidd's Treasure"	World's Toughest Prisons		Drugs, Inc. "Salt Lake Sinners"		Narco "Getting Chappo Guzman" (N)	(05) Drugs, Inc. "Salt Lake Sinners"				
49 NGE0	49	(5:00) Prison Nation	World's Toughest Prisons			Drugs, Inc. "Salt Lake Sinners"		Narco "Getting Chappo Guzman" (N)	(05) Drugs, Inc. "Salt Lake Sinners"				
50 TNT	50	*** Rush Hour 3 (2007, Action)	Jackie Chan, Roman Polanski, Chris Tucker.	*** Tomstone (1993, Western)	Val Kilmer, Michael Biehn, Kurt Russell.			Suits "Coral Gables" (N)	The Sinner "Part VI" (N)			(05) The Purge	"What Is America?"
51 AMC	51	(4:55) ** Open Range ('03, Western)	Kevin Costner, Annette Bening, Robert Duvall.	*** Tomstone (1993, Western)	Val Kilmer, Michael Biehn, Kurt Russell.			Suits "Coral Gables" (N)	The Sinner "Part VI" (N)			(05) The Purge	"What Is America?"
52 USA	52	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Appearances"	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Friending Emily"	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Criminal Hatred"				Guy's Grocery Games "Spice City"	Guy's Grocery Games "Spice City"			Guy's Game	"Sweet And Savory Duos"
53 FOOD	53	Guy's Grocery Games "Weight for it!"	Game "GGG Judges and Their Spouses"	Property Brothers "Shaky Start"				House Hunters (N) House Hunters (N)	Flipping Virgins "First Flip Sisters" (N)			Flipping Virgins	"First Flip Sisters" (N)
54 HGTV	54	Property Bros. "Tight Transformation"	Property Brothers	Money Monster (2016, Drama)	George Clooney, Jack O'Connell, Julia Roberts.			House Hunters (N) House Hunters (N)	Flipping Virgins "First Flip Sisters" (N)			Flipping Virgins	"First Flip Sisters" (N)
56 FX	56	(5:30) *** Sicario (2015, Crime Story)	Josh Brolin, Benicio del Toro, Emily Blunt.	Money Monster (2016, Drama)	George Clooney, Jack O'Connell, Julia Roberts.			House Hunters (N) House Hunters (N)	Flipping Virgins "First Flip Sisters" (N)			Flipping Virgins	"First Flip Sisters" (N)
57 CNN	57	Cuomo Prime Time	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon				Anderson Cooper 360	Cuomo Prime Time			CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
58 FNC	58	Hannity	The Ingraham Angle	Fox News @ Night				Tucker Carlson Tonight	Hannity			The Ingraham Angle	
61 CNBC	61	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank				Undercover Boss "Forman Mills"	Undercover Boss "Mood Media"			Paid Program	Paid Program
63 BRAV	63	Real Housewives "Reunion, Part 1" 1/3	Real Housewives "Reunion, Part 2" 2/3	Real Housewives "Reunion, Part 3" 3/3				Dallas "God Save the Queen, B*tch" (N)	Real Housewives "Reunion, Part 3" 3/3			Watch What (N)	Real Housewives
64 TCM	64	(5:00) Living It Up	(4:5) ** Hollywood or Bust ('56, Comedy)	Jerry Lewis, Anita Ekberg, Dean Martin. *** At War With				The Army ('50) Jerry Lewis, Dean Martin.	Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End (2007, Adventure)	Orlando Bloom, Keira Knightley, Johnny Depp.			
65 SYFY	65	(4:30) Chappie ('15, Act)	Sharlto Copley.	The Legend of Hercules (2014, Action)	Gaia Weiss, Scott Adkins, Kellan Lutz.			*** Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End (2007, Adventure)	Orlando Bloom, Keira Knightley, Johnny Depp.				
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