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Chalk Talk



We're nearing the end of another school year filled with challenges and triumphs. The teachers and students of Snohomish County have once again shown their creativity, resiliency, and determination.

Our team here at the PUD has also risen to the challenges the past few years have presented, and while we are proud of our ability to bring you lessons and assemblies virtually, we are very much looking forward to coming back into schools next fall.

-- Heather Herbst
PUD Public Education Programs Coordinator

We Have Winners for Our 2022 Education Contests!

We have such talented youth in Snohomish County! Judging these contests is no easy feat. Luckily, we have an enthusiastic team here at Snohomish PUD that's always happy to help. View the winning entries from our 2022 K-12 Art Contest and our High School Photography Contest below. Congratulations to all our winners and everyone who entered, we are so proud of you!



2022 ART CONTEST THEME:
What do you believe to be the most important electrical



2022 HIGH SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST THEME:
Bringing Joy to Our Communities

*appliance or device ever
invented?*

[See the winning entries >](#)

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Winning entries from both contests were submitted to all PUD employees for a final vote. Votes were tallied and one winner from each contest was awarded the Employee Choice Award... and the winners are:

Art Contest: Kekoa, 8th grade, Cavelero Mid-High School



High School Photo Contest: Abigayle, 12th grade, Glacier Peak High School





We're Hiring Part-time Education Consultants

If you or someone you know is looking for a flexible teaching job, we have great news for you: we're hiring for the 2022-2023 school year!

We are interested in contracting with currently or formerly certificated teachers, those with a bachelor's degree of any kind, or individuals with a minimum of two years' experience in a classroom learning environment.

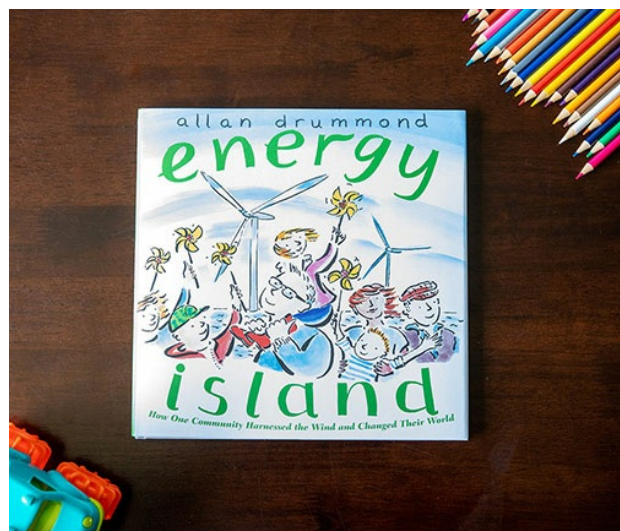
Positions for the 2022-2023 school year and part-time hours are dependent on classroom presentation requests. Candidates must be willing to present at Snohomish County schools a minimum of 2-3 days per week.

PUD Classroom Educators are compensated with a competitive \$35/hr. starting rate for teaching time. Educators are also compensated for drive time, and mileage is reimbursed at current government rates.

If you enjoy teaching, can work flexible part-time hours, and are passionate about making a positive change in the lives of students in Snohomish County, please email Heather Herbst at hmherbst@snopud.com.

Check Our Our New Reading Program!

We recently launched a new reading program in partnership with Everett Public Libraries and Sno-Isle Public Libraries. The new reading program, *Reading Between the Lines*, will result in book donations to area libraries, four times throughout the year. The books will range in topics from renewable energy to the science and technology of electricity, conservation, and sustainability.



"We hope that this program will energize readers of all ages and empower

them to reflect on important, interesting and entertaining topics,” said Julee Cunningham, PUD Director of Communications, Marketing and Business Readiness.

To learn more about this exciting new program, visit our [website](#).

Our Mini Solar Workshop for Teachers was a Shining Success!

Here at the PUD, we understand that teachers are often overwhelmed with professional and personal obligations. We spent some time during the pandemic thinking about how we can best serve teachers, while valuing their precious time and energy. After brainstorming, deliberating, and most importantly, listening to teachers, PUD Teacher Mini-Workshops were born.

We held a small pilot workshop in April, and while we encountered a few glitches, the feedback we got from participants was overwhelmingly positive! Teachers met virtually with Jenni Lamarca and Heather Herbst after school hours. The workshop was under an hour and jam-packed with information about how to bring solar energy education into elementary classrooms. After the workshop, attendees were provided with the PowerPoint used to run the workshop, printed materials from NEED.org, and classroom sets of Solar Bugs (see photo below) to build with their students on a day that fits their schedule... and the weather!



We're excited to bring more mini-workshops to the teachers of Snohomish County soon. As always, keep your eyes on your inboxes for the latest news and if you aren't on our mailing list, please join by visiting our [website](#).

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