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## What's Happening in the PTSA?

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**MEMBERSHIP MEETING:** Join other Maywood PTSA members on Thursday, Jan. 19 from 6:30-8:00pm in the school Library at our 2<sup>nd</sup> membership meeting of the school year. Hear updates on PTSA programs and elect the Nominating Committee.



We've almost reached our PTSA Membership goal! One of the goals our Members agreed upon at our September membership meeting was a 2% increase in our membership number from last year. That means we need **706** members this year. We currently have **678** members! That means there are **28** members out there just waiting to join. Now is your chance! For only \$20 for an individual membership or \$30 for a family membership you provide a voice and vote to speak up for students. You also receive a free Student Directory.



Join now at [www.maywoodptsa.org](http://www.maywoodptsa.org)



### PTSA Calendar of Events – dates and times subject to change

Jan. 19 6:30-8:00pm Membership Meeting in School Library

Jan. 30 No School – Teacher Work day

Feb. 20-24 No School – Midwinter Break

Mar. 10 Trimester 2 ends



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### **Applications Now Being Accepted for Gibson Ek High School**

Gibson Ek will be accepting incoming 9th grade students for the 2017-2018 School Year. Current 8th grade students and their parents are invited to our information sessions to learn more about Gibson Ek and our innovative real world learning program.

- January 3-31: Applications accepted through our online application found [here](#)

### **Special Education Parent Night**

Families are invited to attend our Special Education Parent Night. Executive Director of Special Services Melissa Madsen, Director of Special Services for Secondary Education Lashae Lee, and Director of Special Services for ECE/Elementary Education Tara Slinn, will provide overviews of the department and services and answer questions.

- The event will take place from 6:30pm to 8:00pm January 19 at Liberty High School's Library "Participating in your Child's IEP Process"

### **Positive Behavior and Social Emotional Support Family Nights**

Families are invited to join the ISD for its second annual PBSES (Positive Behavior and Social Emotional Support) workshop. Topics covered will include engagement vs. compliance, demonstrations of strategies that enhances engagement with your students, and how to use PBSES at home. The workshop will focus on motivation, organization, positive relationships, and social and emotional learning strategies. Student Support Coaches for elementary and middle schools will host the sessions.

- January 26 at 6:30pm in the Maywood Middle School Library.



**Outreach Opportunities:** The Family and Community Engagement Program (FACE/Outreach) fosters communication and awareness of both the needs and the resources occurring in the greater Issaquah community. By sharing information from organizations like Issaquah Nourishing Network, the PTSA network can easily bring together those who are seeking assistance with those organizations and individuals contributing resources. For a list of Outreach opportunities click [here](#).



**Issaquah School District students with financial hardship may be eligible for a free computer.** Contact your school office for more details.



**Study Zone at our libraries!** Issaquah, Newcastle, Renton Highlands, and Sammamish libraries offer **drop-in for free homework help from trained volunteer** tutors during the week. The Study Zone schedule is updated frequently and occasionally the volunteer tutors may be unavailable for a scheduled session. Please check for updates at <http://kcls.org/study-zone/> or contact your KCLS library before planning to attend a Study Zone session.

**Parent Education Opportunities:** The Issaquah PTSA Council has several outstanding opportunities for parents coming up. Find more information about these and other Parent Education events at: <http://parentwiser.org/>

Find out more about Issaquah PTSA Council [here](#).



**From Issaquah Schools Foundation**

### 1 Mentor – 1 Child – 1 Hour

**Voice Mentors Needed:** Volunteers of Issaquah Changing Education (VOICE) is an in-school volunteer mentoring program that pairs caring community members with Issaquah School District students. Voice Mentors support ISD students with one hour of their time, once a week throughout the school year. Some students need academic, emotional or social support; others may need a friend and role model. All students benefit from your commitment.

**College Corps Mentors:** these volunteers are seasonal mentors who work with student on editing the all-important college essay. College Corps mentors work with high school seniors from mid-September through January.

**College Bound Mentors:** these volunteers offer guidance and encouragement to freshman in high school who qualify for free college tuition through the Washington College Bound Scholarship program. The goal is for mentors to support students throughout their high school career.

**English Language Learner (ELL) Mentors:** these volunteers are matched with students at all grade levels. The mentors work to specifically support students in need of navigating a new school culture. The mentors may also be bilingual but it is not required.

**Summer School Mentors:** these volunteers support elementary summer school teachers as aides during the four-week academic session.

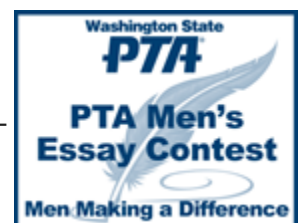
Find out more about ISF [here](#).



### PTA MEN'S ESSAY CONTEST

#### March 1

This statewide essay contest explores the important contributions that men make in the lives and education of children - from our children's perspective. All men involved in a child's life - fathers, uncles, grandpas, brothers, step-fathers, mentors, neighbors, pastors, coaches, and friends - impact the children they care about. Learn more [here](#).



## EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT (ESSA) DRAFT PLAN OUTREACH

### February 13 - Deadline Extended

Shape your public education system for years to come by providing feedback on Washington's ESSA draft Consolidated Plan, through the [Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction](#) (OSPI). WSPTA was involved in the draft process, and OSPI was one of hundreds of groups to contribute to the ESSA draft Consolidated Plan, alongside districts, legislators, education organizations, tribal leaders, and higher education institutions. Provide feedback [here](#).

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### *Our Children*

The latest issue of National PTA's *OUR CHILDREN* magazine covers topics such as [closing the homework gap](#), [flu shots](#) for this flu season, and [kids' home experiments](#) (rockets!). Read [here](#).

Tips You Need to Keep Kids Safe Online: <http://onevoice.pta.org/?p=7343>

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