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What's Happening in the PTSA?

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WE WANT YOU! The Maywood PTSA Nominating Committee is seeking members who are interested in serving as an elected officer for the 2017-2018 school year. The elected positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you are interested or know someone who would be a good candidate, please contact Laila Collins at laila.collins@comcast.net.



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 **681** members! That means there are **25** 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

PTSA Calendar of Events – dates and times subject to change

Jan. 25 Staff Appreciation Lunch

Jan. 30 No School – Teacher Work day

Feb. 20-24 No School – Midwinter Break

Mar. 10 Trimester 2 ends



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Maywood has updated their [Emergency Prep page](#) with links to information about reunification, transportation, and preparation as well as links to the Run, Hide, Fight video and powerpoint.

Positive Behavior and Social and Emotional Support – what does that mean at Maywood? Click on the [PBSES](#) link to find out what is happening at Maywood to encourage and support positive behavior. You also need to check out the [Maywood Way Matrix](#) to see what is expected of your student at Maywood.

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.



2017 Community Values Survey: The Issaquah PTSA Council is conducting a Community Values Survey within the Issaquah School District attendance area. We are seeking your perspective on five Value Statements based on your experience in the Issaquah School District. All community members are encouraged to participate including parents, teachers, students, and community members who do not have students in the local schools.

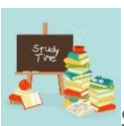
This survey closes on January 31 and the results will be shared with the ISD Administration, the ISD School Board, and the Issaquah Education Association in a presentation open to the public in early February.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2017CommunityValues>

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](#).



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](#)

ISD Truancy Board: The school district is looking for parents to serve on a new truancy board. Each board member will attend 2-3 meetings during the school year. For more information about the Truancy Board or to serve on the Truancy Board, please contact Becky Gordon at president@issaquahptsa.org.



Nourish Every Mind Luncheon: Thursday, May 11 at 12:00 at Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue

Nourish Every Mind Breakfast: Wednesday, May 17 at 7:30am at Eastridge Church in Issaquah

*more information about both events and how to register will be coming out soon

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.

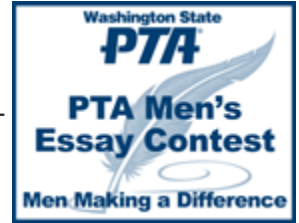
Find out more about ISF [here](#).



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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WSPTA provides information on parent involvement, suicide prevention, childcare, healthy and safe schools, academic standards, internet safety, and much more. Find it all [here](#).



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>

Find out more about National PTA [here](#).

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