Maywood Middle School PTSA 2.6.40

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What's Happening in the PTSA?

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Spirit Wear Chair Needed

The Maywood PTSA is seeking an interested Chairperson for the 2017-18 Spirit Wear program. The Chairperson works this spring to set up the program with the vendor; choosing items, reviewing fliers and the ordering web site. The Chairperson also coordinates pertinent information with the school and PTSA, and communicates with staff and parents about orders. This position requires attention to detail and the ability to work on the program off and on from April through January. Typically, the actual sales are August through November, with two delivery windows where the orders are handed out at school. For questions or more information, please contact our current chair, Leslie Kahler at <u>lesliekahler@comcast.net</u> or 425-226-1314. Complete training and program how to's will be available. If you are interested in taking on this position, please contact Kimberly Montague at <u>president@maywoodptsa.org</u>



Staff Appreciation is Hard at Work!

on Tuesday, March 14 the fabulous Staff

Appreciation volunteers provided a delicious lunch at Maywood. Once again, the staff felt very appreciated and enjoyed the yummy food. Thank you to all who have provided food for one of the Staff Appreciation events during the 2nd trimester.

PTSA Calendar of Events – dates and times subject to change Mar. 31 Charger 100 treat day during lunches April 20 Membership Meeting at 6:30pm in library May 3-5 Staff Appreciation Days





Maywood Middle School News

LEVY COMMITTEE PARENT REP NEEDED

Every four years, the Issaquah School District asks local voters to approve levies to pay for educational essentials that the state does not fund, including school buses, classroom technology, and about 20 percent of the operations budget. Because our current levies expire next year, the district is forming a community committee now to help plan the renewal levy measures. If you are interested in representing MAYWOOD on the committee, please pick up an application in the main office and return it by March 31st. Committee members will consider the overall need, proposed content, total cost, and tax impacts of the ballot measures and present a final recommendation to the superintendent. The commitment is several Wednesday evening meetings in May and June.

MAYWOOD'S GOT TALENT

Maywood's anuual talent show assembly will be on Friday, April 7th. Auditions for the talent show will be March 20th and 21st. Students interested in auditioning should see Ms. Miele to sign up. Click here for an informational flyer.

TRACK SEASON STARTS APRIL 3RD

Maywood is a running school! Students wanting to participate in track should plan to run every day. All the required paperwork to participate must be turned in to Ms. Loreen and fees paid to Ms. Alexander by Thursday, March 30th. Have your student stop by the office or see Mr. Eggers if they have any questions about the track program.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - JUNE 20TH

The last day of school this year will be June 20, 2017. These two days have been added to make up for the two days Issaquah School District schools were closed earlier this winter.

Smarter Balanced Assessment and the 8th Grade Science MSP schedule for the Spring of 2017 is <u>here</u>. For SBA resources please check this <u>link</u>.

Maywood Calendar of Events

Mar. 31: Charger 100 Treat Day during lunches Apr. 7: Talent Show Assembly

ATTENTION 8th GRADERS!!!

Liberty High School Cheer Tryouts Liberty High School Cheer Tryouts will be held starting on Monday, April 3rd – Thursday, April 6th from 5-7pm in the Upper Gym at Liberty High School. There will be an information meeting for all interested participants and parents on Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:30pm in room 4202. Tryout packets will be available in the main offices at both Maywood Middle School and Liberty High School on Thursday, March 23rd. If you have any questions, please feel free to email <u>Kelsey Smith</u> or <u>Crystal Marcoe</u>. We hope to see you there!



District Award Reception information:

Issaquah PTSA Council district wide Awards Reception honoring Golden Acorn and Outstanding Advocate Award winners from all of our Issaquah Schools is Tuesday, April 4th 6:30-7:30pm at Issaquah Middle School.

Lunch for the Break seeking donations and volunteers.

Congratulations to the Lunch for the Break crew, who delivered 415 boxes of food to Issaquah School District students in need for the mid-winter break. As of this year, Lunch for the Break is serving every school in the district. A special thanks goes to Rebecca Rayner, Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank, for her leadership. The next, and final, Lunch for the Break collection and distribution dates are Wednesday, April 5 and Thursday, April 6. Donations and volunteers are always welcome. To learn more, go to https://www.lunchforthebreak.com/.

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 <u>here</u>.

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: <u>http://parentwiser.org/</u>

March 28th Hidden in Plain Sight, 6:30-8:30pm at Liberty High School Commons. Come to a "Hidden in Plain Sight" exhibit of a youth bedroom, and learn what signs of substance use to look for, and what to do if you find something. Includes expert Q&A forum, and a brief professional talk on communicating with youth about at-risk behavior. This is a PARENT ONLY event.

The Gift of Failure: Fostering Intrinsic Motivation and Resilience in Kids by national keynote and author, Jessica Lahey. April 25th 7pm at Issaquah High School Theater. In today's culture, do we coddle our kids enough? Too much? Jessica Lahey summarizes the current research on autonomy-supportive parenting and teaching, competence, rewards, praise, and failure, and gives us advice on how to allow students to succeed over the long term. Join our community book read starting now, and help bring about this cultural change! For parents of K-12. <u>Click here</u> for an information flyer.

The NextGenEd Online Conference: With the click of a button, enjoy 28 talks from the brightest minds in parent education, from the comfort of your own home. Our personal favorites are Dr. Dan Siegel, Dr. Roberta Michnick Golinkoff, Patty Wipfler, and Dr. Shefali Tsabary. Audio downloads are also included if you want to listen on the go. If you were to buy this individually it would cost \$147 per person, but with your Issaquah school's PTA membership, it's FREE!



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

If you would like to attend either event, please contact Maywood's ISF Representative: Kara Mulqueeney <u>kmulqueeney@msn.com</u>

The Issaquah Schools Foundation brings you a Glassybaby road show!

Don't miss an illuminating evening to learn more about the Foundation and how we support our students!

There will be an array of colorful glassybabies available to purchase. 10% of all event proceeds will go directly to support our students!

Date: Thursday March 23, 2017 Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM Location: Blakely Hall, 2550 NE Park. Dr. Issaquah RSVP: to <u>ingrid@isfdn.org</u> or <u>425 391-8557</u> All are welcome!

Find out more about ISF here.



STRONGER TOGETHER - DEFEATING FEAR THROUGH THE POWER OF STORYTELLING

The <u>attached flyer</u> is to inform you of a special event on March 31 being sponsored by our District along with the City of Issaquah, Issaquah Schools Foundation, Issaquah PTSA, King County Libraries, and CISC. The event, featuring TEDx speaker, Luis Ortega, aligns with our District's efforts around cultural competency and includes discussion tables to address and discuss matters of inclusion and empathy. ALL staff, parents, students, and community members are invited.



Do you know of anyone that loves working with students, can manage a class and follow safe work practices and procedures?

Along with a bachelor's degree, they can be an **Emergency Substitute Teacher** right here in the ISD.

We are looking for Emergency Substitute Teachers. The requirement is a bachelors degree. Their first step is to complete a <u>certificate substitute application</u> using the online application system. Go to the <u>Career</u> <u>Opportunities</u> page off of the <u>ISD website</u>.

If you know of anyone, have them contact Karen at 425-837-7063 for more information!



ADVOCACY IN ACTION: CONTACTING YOUR LEGISLATORS

Currently, WSPTA does not have a template/form letter for contacting legislators. However, in this busy time of the session, it is recommended to send an email or call your legislators directly to express support or concerns that are on our high priority list. You can find your legislator's contact information <u>here</u>.

Remember to keep the tone respectful, limit the topic to one per email, ask your legislator for their position, ask for their support or assistance to change the bill, and provide contact information so they can verify that you are a constituent. It is good practice to ask them for a response and/or contact you, but realize that they are entering the half-way point in session, so activities start to speed up.

If you call your legislator, keep the message short: who you are, why you are calling, specific bill number (if appropriate) and the best number to reach you. Speak slowly because the legislature uses a program that translates your call into an email; sometimes the results are very funny. Keep it short, to the point, and ask for a return call.

104th Annual WSPTA Convention

April 28-30 | SeaTac Hilton Learn more <u>here</u>.

Find out more about Washington State PTA here.

See all your membership benefits with WSPTA here.

WSPTA provides information on parent involvement, suicide prevention, childcare, healthy and safe schools, academic standards, internet safety, and much more. Find it all <u>here.</u>