

Maywood Middle School PTSA 2.6.40

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What's Happening in the PTSA?

Advocacy Representative Needed: Maywood PTSA is looking for someone who would like to learn more about PTA advocacy while receiving and distributing advocacy and legislative information to our members. This is a great way to get involved with PTSA and be a part of the Board of Directors. If you would like more information, please contact the PTSA President at president@maywoodptsa.org

Nominating Committee Volunteers Needed: It's only October but we elect our Nominating Committee in January, so we need to know who those volunteers are before then. The Nominating Committee seeks out interested and qualified individuals to serve as officers on the PTSA Board of Directors. There are four officer positions in our PTSA: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you would like to be a part of the team that searches for and nominates the officers for the PTSA for next school year or have any questions about the Nominating Committee, please email president@maywoodptsa.org.



Reflections Program! Maywood PTSA: This year's Reflection program theme is, "What Is Your Story?" Tell your story through Students of all abilities are encouraged to submit entries. Students may enter up to (3) entries in any of these (6) categories: Visual Arts, Photography, Literature, Music Composition, Film/Video, and Choreography/Dance. Entries are judged on creative ability and interpretation of the theme. For student entry form, entry guidelines and program information visit the Maywood PTSA website at <http://maywoodptsa.org/Home> *Entries are due to the school office by 2:00 on Monday, Oct. 31.*



Spirit Wear: Spirit Wear shirts will be handed out through the student store on Tuesday, October 18th during lunches for first wave orders. If students are absent that day or forget, their shirts will be in the office after pick up is over. Staff purchases may also be picked up at lunch. Second wave deadline is November 4th at midnight. This will be the final sale of the year. <https://c9sportssm.tuosystems.com/stores/maywood-middle-school-sht1886>

Washington State

PTA

everychild.onevoice.® **WSPTA Advocacy News:** Every fall WSPTA selects its legislative priorities based on member and community input. The WSPTA Legislative Survey responses assist voting delegates who are

attending the WSPTA Legislative Assembly in Olympia on Oct. 21-22 in setting the 2016-2018 legislative platform. Delegates at Assembly will discuss the issues below and prioritize them. They will then take the top 5 forward to the Washington State Legislature in January.

These are the issues that will be discussed at Leg. Assembly:

- Closing the Opportunity Gap
- Removing Barriers to Implementing Early Education and Assistance Program
- Post-Secondary/Higher Education
- Restorative Justice and School Safety
- Engaging Families in Student Success
- Amplify Fund Basic Education
- Standards for Para-Educators
- Social/Emotional Learning
- Improving Educational Outcomes for Foster Children
- Breakfast after the Bell

WHAT MATTERS MOST FOR FAMILY AND SCHOOL COLLABORATION SURVEY

Closes October 21

The Governor's Office of the Education Ombudsman (OEO) wants to hear what matters most to you as a parent when schools reach out to work together. This information will be used when recommendations to the state are given for a model. Your input will help shape what collaboration looks like in Washington. You can find the survey [here](#).

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 [here](#).



everychild.onevoice.® **National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month**

Bullying can be prevented, especially when the power of a community is brought together. Community-wide strategies can help identify and support children who are bullied, redirect the behavior of children who bully, and change the attitudes of adults and youth who tolerate bullying behaviors in peer groups, schools, and communities. Learn more from StopBullying.gov.

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

See all your membership benefits with NPTA [here](#).



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/>

Oct 19th – “Positive Parenting”, by Issaquah School District and Brooks Powers, 7-8:30pm Issaquah High Theater

Oct 29th – “The Power of Me, Power of We” conference sponsored by Influence the Choice (Issaquah Schools Foundation) and Friends of Youth, 9am-4pm (<http://www.eventbrite.com/e/influence-the-choice-the-power-of-me-the-power-of-we-tickets-27446881361>)

Nov 7th – “Parenting the Developing Mind”, by Issaquah School District and Brooks Powers, 7-8:30pm Issaquah High Theater

Nov 21st – “Run/Hide/Fight Parent Training” by Police Officer Diego Zanella, Issaquah High Black Box Theater

Feb 28th* – keynote John O’Sullivan, author of “Changing the Game”, Issaquah High Theater

Mar 2nd – “Helping or Hindering”, by Issaquah School District and Brooks Powers, 7-8:30pm Issaquah High Theater

Apr 25th* – keynote Jessica Lahey, author of “Gift of Failure”, Issaquah High Theater (preceded by a community book read/review 1 month prior, date/location tbd)

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



Annual All in for Kids Campaign

- Goal \$516,000. As of October 5th we were at \$253,000
 - Contributions can be any size, monthly or one-time gifts.
 - Donations go to support the 40 ongoing programs that positively touch the lives of students every day in the Issaquah School District.
- The **Click for Kids**, October 20th and **Honk & Waves**, November 4
 - **Volunteers Needed** to help wave that morning and evening...contact Kara [@kmulqueeney@msn.com](mailto:kmulqueeney@msn.com)
- **Calling Nights**, November 10 & 15
 - In partnership with the School District, all ISD families that have not donated to the All in For Kids campaign are called by eager and friendly high school students. Ideally we would like to see that calling list as short as possible, so we encourage families to donate before November 11th.

Influence the Choice: “The Power of ME, The Power of WE”

- “The Power of Me, The Power of We,” is on Sat. October 29th, from 9am-4pm at Pacific Cascade Middle School. Nationally known youth leadership trainer Nigel Wrangham leads the day. Students will develop leadership skills around the topics of substance abuse prevention, mental health and become community advocates and change makers in these areas for their peers.
- The event hopes to encourage participants to join the Influence the Choice Alliance's Youth Coalition, known as YODA (Youth Opposed to Drug Abuse).
- **This event is free for all students**, funded by ITC’s federal Drug Free Communities grant. Pre-registration is required. Link to sign-up as attendee (middle school students), or facilitator (high school students) www.influencethechoice2016.eventbrite.com

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



Issaquah School District is **HIRING!** If you would like to be an Educational Assistant (EA) or a Bus Driver check out the job opportunities on the ISD website:

<http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/CareerOpportunities>

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



PTSA Calendar of Events – dates and times subject to change

Oct. 21-22	WSPTA Legislative Assembly in Olympia
Oct. 25	Staff Appreciation Luncheon for our Outstanding Maywood Teachers & Staff!
Oct. 31	Reflections Entries Due to Office
Nov. 4	Spiritwear Orders Due (2nd wave of orders, delivered in mid-Nov)
Nov. 11	No School/ Veteran's Day
Nov. 16-18	PTSA Fall Scholastic Book Fair – Maywood Library
Nov. 18	Reflections submissions due to Council PTA
Nov. 24-25	No School/Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 11?	Charger 100 Treat Day
Dec. 15	Staff Appreciation Event - Cookie Exchange
Dec. 21-Jan 2	Winter Break – No School



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