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Everett PTSA Council

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*** July 1, 2020 - SUMMER EDITION ***

Everett PTSA Council eBlast

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OUR VISION: To be a meaningful and vital resource to PTAs and our community partners.

OUR MISSION: To support, empower, and guide our PTAs to be successful.



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Thursday, July 16, 2020: Ballots Mailed to Voters for Capital Bond Vote

Tuesday, August 4, 2020: Ballot Postmark Due Date for Capital Bond Vote



COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Our Award-Winning Team!

Would you like to join our PTSA Council team for the 2020-2021 school year? If you have enjoyed working on PTA at the local level and would like to become part of our Council team, let us know! We are looking for the following positions as either a chair or co-chair:

- Programs
- Board Member-at-Large position - Central Region of Everett School District

Position descriptions can be found on our PTSA Council Handbook on our website.

As a Council leader, you would be invited to attend the WSPTA Leadership Conference held in early August which further develops your PTA knowledge base and leadership skills. This helps connect you in working with other experienced PTA leaders in the mission of improving the lives of all children.

Questions? Contact Jen at jhirman@gmail.com for more information

2020-2021 Everett PTSA Council Shoe Fund Chair

Please welcome the newest member to our team, Abbey McGee, who has been an active PTA member for years and who has agreed to be our next Shoe Fund Chair.

Welcome to the team, Abbey!

ADVOCACY

Capital Bond Vote on August 4

The vote for the 2020 Capital Bond Initiative has been rescheduled for Tuesday, August 4. If you have any questions, want a yard sign, buttons, or window clings, or you want to volunteer to help, please visit the bond committee's website (www.imvotingyes.com) to get more information. Remember, do not put any endorsement of the bond in your PTA communications unless your PTA has voted "yes" to support the 2020 Capital Bond.

Sign-Waving Opportunities!

Our Council has been working with members of the *Citizens for Everett Public Schools* to setup several sign-waving opportunities for people to participate in.

Dates, times, and signups: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044ea5af29a0f85-sign>

Please consider signing up for a slot or two on your own or with your local PTA - they are fun and kids are welcome! Also, if your local PTA Board or school team would be interested in setting up their own time and location, we can add those opportunities to our online signup to help promote those events.

WASHINGTON STATE PTA NEWS

Reminder to Review SOA Checklist

As we near the end of the year, it is a great time for local leaders to review their PTA's 2019-2020 [Standards of Affiliation \(SOA\) Checklist Agreement](#). Your board of directors should review what your PTA has accomplished and what still needs to be done, report it to your membership and record it in your meeting minutes. Keep your completed SOA checklist and all relevant documentation with your legal documents or treasurer binder. Be aware that for many PTAs there may be a few key items that still need to be completed before the end of the fiscal year, including:

- Charitable solicitations filing (due to Secretary of State by May 31 each year). **IMPORTANT:** *The Secretary of State Charities Division has announced an extension of this due date to July 31 for PTAs.*
- Corporate renewal filing (month it is due is dependent on when your PTA was incorporated, due to Secretary of State by the last day of that month);
- Membership invoices need to be paid in full; and
- Start planning for your PTA's year-end financial review.

As your PTA elects new officers and begins planning for 2020-21, be sure to include the SOA as a part of the transition process! Every elected board member is responsible for helping to ensure that their PTA is in compliance with all IRS, state, insurance, and PTA requirements—and it can be overwhelming. The SOA is a great tool that can be used to help orient and educate board members about what they need to do and when to do it.

Need help with your SOA? Reach out to your council leaders (if applicable) or region director for assistance. You can find contact information for your area leaders on the [WSPTA website](#).

NATIONAL PTA NEWS

Grant Opportunity for COVID-19 Relief Funding

National PTA is pleased to announce that they will be distributing \$1.25 million dollars in COVID-19 relief funds to over 150 local and District/Council/Region PTAs across the country. With generous support from TikTok, this emergency grant funding is intended to allow your PTA to help meet the most pressing needs of your school community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

DEADLINE FOR GRANT REQUEST SUBMISSION: July 12, 2020

For details, visit: <https://www.pta.org/home/run-your-pta/Awards-Grants/covid-19-relief>

Virtual Convention Coming Soon!

The 2020 National PTA Convention will now be a virtual event held between July 20 - August

7. **Registration is currently open.** General itinerary:

- **July 20-21:** Convention opens with a message from National PTA President, Leslie Boggs, and the Convention Keynote Speaker, astronaut Jose Hernandez, as well as the annual Reflections celebration.
- **July 27-31:** Week-long virtual education/leadership development "Summer School" series.
- **August 6-7:** Official business meeting and elections.

For up-to-date information regarding the National PTA Convention, visit the [official website](#).

PTA LEADER TRAININGS

Open to all Local PTA/PTSA BOD and Officers!

Training opportunities can be found on the Training webpage of our Council website: <http://www.everettptsacouncil.org/training.html>

WSPTA eLearning Options:

Check out the PTA Leaders: Training webpage for a growing list of eLearning options for all members! Options included: Nominating Committee, Effective Meetings, Secretary: More than Just Minutes, Treasurer Basics, and Bank Statement Review. [WSPTA Training webpage](#)

National PTA eLearning Options:

National PTA offers a wide variety of eLearning options for local PTA leaders and all active members. They are FREE and a great supplement to our local offerings! Go to: <https://member.pta.org/Shop/Local-Leader-eLearning-Courses>

eLearning Options in Spanish!

National PTA also offers 5 eLearning options for our Spanish-speaking leaders. Check them out at: <https://member.pta.org/Shop/eLearning-Courses-En-Espanol>



"Our Children" is an online magazine for parents published by the National PTA. Today's PTA is dedicated to empowering parents to make a difference in the education, health, and safety of America's children.

<https://ptaourchildren.org/>



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Membership Meeting Minutes and Monthly Financials can be found on our [website](#).



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