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EVERETT PTSA COUNCIL 7.3

Proudly serving the PTAs and schools of Everett School District



*** May 1, 2021 ***

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.

*** everettptsacouncil.org ***

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Wednesday, May 12, 2021: Council Membership Meeting

Join us for our May Council Membership Meeting. In addition to our usual agenda with announcements and updates from our officers and board members, Regional

Superintendent Sally Lancaster will be providing a school district report. This meeting will be virtual via Zoom; login details at the bottom of this event page. Immediately following our meeting will be a roundtable discussion that all local PTA leaders are welcome to attend. Let us know what is on your mind and how your PTA is doing. We want to hear from you!

MEET-AND-GREET TIME: 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM

MEETING START TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Online meeting. Meeting materials will be posted on the Council website homepage during day prior to event.

MEETING LOGIN INFORMATION:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3923109315?pwd=dWRxaWw4ZTV3V0xUelpsdTN2WjFZQT09>

MEETING ID: 392 310 9315

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Monday, May 17, 2021: Parent Information Night

Virtual event. "What Every Parent Needs To Know" (Spanish-only session)

Register at this link: <https://bit.ly/3dX1NmB>

Tuesday, May 18 - Sunday, May 23, 2021: WSPTA Convention

Virtual Event. Register at this link: <https://www.wastatepta.org/convention/>

Thursday, June 17 - Saturday, June 26, 2021: National PTA Convention

Virtual Event. Register at this link:

<https://www.mylibralounge.com/sites/NPTA2021/Attendee>

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Offering Scholarships to Help Local PTAs Attend Convention

Did you know that Everett PTSA Council has scholarships available for local PTAs that need financial assistance for the registration fee to attend the virtual WSPTA Convention? Please email everettptsacouncil@gmail.com for details.

Also, did you know that WSPTA is offering a **reduced price of \$35** that local PTAs can take advantage of if funds are tight this year? Please email ptaleaddir@wastatepta.org for details.

Council Election - Welcome the 2021-2022 Executive Committee!

At our Council Membership Meeting on March 17, we elected our Executive Committee for next Term (2021-2022):

- Craig Willis for President
- Stephanie Cherry for Secretary
- Mee Yoke McGuire for Treasurer

Please join us in welcoming our incoming Executive Committee!

We are still looking for our next VP (or Co-VPs) of Membership; if you or someone you know might be a great fit for that position let us know at: everettptsacouncil@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION FOR PTA LEADERS:

Although we still had a spot to fill for the Executive Committee, having the PTA election now is totally OK! You are not required to have candidates for all Executive Committee positions, when an election occurs. For those candidates who were elected, having the election now rather than at the end of the school year allows more time for transitions to occur with existing officers. Also, being able to indicate elected roles to your PTA membership can help instill confidence enough to help fill the remaining position(s). For those position(s) not yet filled, an election can/will be held at a later meeting.

If your PTA has any questions regarding the Nomination Committee, nominations, and/or elections process, please reach out to your Council Contact or email everettsacouncil@gmail.com and we will get you in connection with your Council Contact.

AWARD CELEBRATION

Help Us Celebrate Individual Award Recipients From Your PTA

Everett Council would like to help celebrate your PTA's 2021 individual award recipients!

While we cannot have an in-person Award Celebration this year, we will be collecting the names and pictures of each PTA's 2021 Individual Award recipients (Golden Acorn, Outstanding Educators and Outstanding Advocates) to include in a 2021 Award Celebration video. **Please send in the names of your award recipients along with any pictures of them receiving their award to EverettPTSACouncil@gmail.com by June 1, 2021.** We will compile these into a 2021 PTA Award slideshow to help celebrate these amazing individuals in our schools!

Questions? Contact our Council Award Celebration Chairs:

Heather Morrow (hl.morrow@yahoo.com) or
Kristy Mothersbaugh (kristymothersbaugh@yahoo.com)

MEMBERSHIP

Council Membership Drive Now Active With ALL Local PTAs!

NOW *ALL* 27 LOCAL PTAs HAVE MEMBERSHIP SIGN-UP ACTIVE!

For the 2020-2021 year, we have compiled our local PTA online membership sign-up links into one, easy-to-use document! This is an opportunity to join our local PTAs from the comfort of your home. To access our 2020-2021 Membership Drive Form, click [this link](#).

PTAs within our district currently have over 3000 members. We are over halfway to our Council goal! Help us spread the word about joining our local PTAs!

ADVOCACY

Thank You!

Greetings Advocates!

We have officially made it through the long legislative session. This past Sunday, April 25, was the last day and it was a unique session being all virtual. Throughout the busy session, we had several people testify, including myself, as well as submitting written testimony and signing in as pro in support of various bills. There were lots of bills passed that aligned with our platform and some that didn't. A new 2-year budget was passed as well. In June Marie Sullivan, our legislative consultant, will be doing a recap of the legislative session in an upcoming event. More details will be forthcoming soon. I want to thank everyone who has met with, written to, testified, or done any other work with our legislators during this session.

If you have not registered for convention, I hope that you will consider attending. It's virtual and over the course of 6 days with lots of classes, roundtables, and meetings with other PTA members in our region. During our general sessions we will have elections for a new slate of officers for the board as well as voting on new/amended state bylaws. These are the rules that govern our state PTA. In order to be a voting delegate, you must have your PTA president submit your name. The deadline is **MONDAY, MAY 3, at 6:59 AM**. If this is not submitted by that time, you will not be able to vote during the elections and debate on the bylaws.

As you are holding elections for a new slate of officers, don't forget to keep an eye out for an advocacy chair. The main duty of the advocacy chair is to share information about advocacy issues with your members so they know how they can participate and get involved. For those of you who have a passion for advocacy and want to stretch your PTA muscles, consider joining the resolutions or advocacy committees. We are always looking for more advocates. Please reach out to me if you have any questions about being an advocacy chair or joining a state committee.

Thank you,

Lizzy Sebring
Advocacy Chair

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Spanish-Only Parent Information Night on May 17

Everett Public Schools, Natural Leaders, Washington Family Engagement, and Everett PTSA Council present "Lo que todo padre debe Saber" ("What Every Parent Needs To Know"), a Spanish-only Parent Information Night on May 17. At this FREE event, families will learn how to engage in their children's education, as well as how to advocate for their

students.

Free Registration: <https://bit.ly/3dX1NmB>

En español:

Everett Public Schools, Natural Leaders, Washington Family Engagement y Everett PTSA Council presentan "Lo que todo padre debe saber", una noche de información para padres solo en español el 17 de mayo. En este evento GRATUITO, las familias aprenderán a participar en la educación de sus hijos, así como a abogar por sus estudiantes.

Inscripción gratuita: <https://bit.ly/3dX1NmB>

Thank you,

Beenish Iqbal
F.A.C.E. Chair

EVERETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Washington Family Engagement
www.wofamilyengagement.org

Natural Leaders Together Always

Everett PTSA Council 73

Presentan

“Lo Que Todo Padre Debe Saber”

Donde usted aprenderá

Como participar en la educación de su(s) estudiante(s).
Como apoyar a su(s) estudiante(s)

Mayo 17 2021

Asiste vía Zoom de 6-7p.m.

Regístrate para participar: <https://bit.ly/3dX1NmB>

Esta presentación se va a dar en español.

SHOE FUND

Thank You!

Shoe Fund Update:

Thank you to all PTAs who have donated to this year's Shoe Fund. We appreciate your generosity and commitment to helping our students! Thanks to you, we have been able to provide new shoes or shoe gift cards to over 100 Everett School District students. As students return to school for hybrid learning, there is a great opportunity to serve even more students. We are connecting with counselors and staff to get new shoes in the hands of students. Thank you for partnering with us!

Thank you,

WASHINGTON STATE PTA NEWS

Convention Goes Virtual - Round Two

Events. Powered by PTA.

The Washington State PTA Board of Directors and staff are pleased to invite you to attend the [108th Annual WSPTA Convention](#) taking place virtually from May 18-23, 2021.

Last year's virtual convention was a big success, and we're excited to build upon those ideas this year! We are still finalizing details, but here are a few things to look forward to:

- Lots of live webinars – take some or all from the comfort of home!
- Subject area panels offering expert advice on a variety of topics.
- Coaching sessions.
- Keynote speakers to inform and inspire you!
- Student celebration!

REGISTER AT THIS LINK: <https://www.wastatepta.org/convention/>

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.everettsacouncil.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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