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*** May 15, 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.

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Saturday, May 15, 2021: WSPTA Convention Goodie Bag Pickup

Are you registered for Convention? Join us **TODAY at Hauge Homestead Park** (located at southeast corner of Silver Lake) between **1:00-3:00 PM**, for a special goodie bag to help you get ready to represent Region 7 at Convention!

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>

Monday, June 21, 2021: Last Day of School!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 everettptsacouncil@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)

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
New Parent Video Series Available in Different Languages!

Hi,

I am glad to share this exciting news. The video series "What Every Parent Needs to Know" is now available on Everett Public Schools website under the tab of *Parent University*. These five videos are collaborative efforts of Washington Family Engagement, Everett Public Schools, and Everett PTSA Council, made possible by a COVID-19 Grant awarded by National PTA. To make them effective for all cultures, these videos were reviewed by the Diversity and Equity team and Natural Leaders of the District. The videos were recorded by various district staff members and are available, with subtitles in Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, and Arabic, plus translations being recorded and available soon in Spanish.

Link to the videos: <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/39021>

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 (she/her)
Family and Community Engagement Chair



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)

Asiste vía Zoom de 6-7p.m.

Mayo
17
2021

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

Esta presentación se va a dar en español.

ADVOCACY

Convention, Leg Session Wrap-Up, WSPTA Resolutions

Hi Advocates!

I hope that all of you will have the opportunity to attend our virtual convention next week. There will be some advocacy classes offered for people who want to know what advocacy is all about. We will also have an advocacy roundtable to come ask questions and talk to other advocates about what they're doing. Please check the convention schedule to see when these classes are.

I want to mention to mark your calendars for June 8 where Marie Sullivan, our legislative consultant, will do a summary of the legislative session as a wrap up. She will be talking about bills that passed (our PTA “wins”) and those that didn't pass. Be on the lookout in Leadership News in the next week for how to register for this event.

Lastly, I want to make another plug for anyone interested in joining our resolutions and/or advocacy committee to feel free to reach out to me. We meet virtually. One of the things that you will see when you join these committees is the process of what happens to an issue, resolution or principle once a member submits a proposal to when we vote on it at Legislative Assembly. If you have a passion for an issue (existing or future), we would love to have you!

Thank you,

Lizzy Sebring
Advocacy Chair

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!

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,

Abbey McGee
Shoe Fund Chair

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! 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!
- Coffee chats and lunch hours with WSPTA leaders.
- Virtual activity nights on Friday and Saturday!

REGION 7 CONVENTION REGISTRANTS: Remember to wear BLUE during the Convention networking sessions (i.e. coffee chats, lunch chats, roundtable sessions, Region Rooms). Let's "BLUE-OUT" Convention with Region 7 pride!

NATIONAL PTA NEWS

Virtual Convention Will Be June 17-26

Connect with PTA leaders, educators and parents to ignite your outreach and impact in your school community—and make a difference for every child—at the 2021 National PTA Virtual Convention! This is your time to ...

- Get inspired by mission-minded peers and experts
- Stay informed on trends and issues affecting our children
- Transform your leadership and membership approach through our workshop series
- Celebrate our standout members and students

Limited Offer: Goody Bag

The first 500 people whose registration is **paid in full** will receive an email to opt-in for our Virtual Convention Goody Bag! Included in the goody bag are our beloved Convention t-shirt, lapel pin, tote and many other awesome surprises from our sponsors.

To register for the National PTA Virtual Convention:

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

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.everettsptacouncil.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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