

Everett PTSA Council

Proudly serving the PTAs and schools of Everett School District



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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.



Dec 10-Jan 10 Reflections art on display at CRC

Jan 9 Reflections Celebration 6-8pm at CRC -event is open house style with refreshments and a chance to see how all the artists placed in the competition.

Jan 10 & 24 Council Office Hours 10-1pm Come by to ask your questions or just to say Hi!

Jan 30 Council Membership Meeting **6:30pm** at CRC in Port Gardner A & B
All PTA leaders are invited to attend. We will have a **Leadership Roundtable** featuring Elections 101 and Advocacy at **7:30pm**. Each local PTA is encouraged to have representation at these meetings (location: 3900 Broadway, Everett)

Council office hours Every second and fourth Thursday of the month 10am-1pm
CRC-Community Resource Building 3900 Broadway, Everett



We hope you all find time to rest, recharge and enjoy a well deserved break. We look forward to serving with you in the New Year!

PTA Leader Trainings

Training opportunities can be found on our Council website's Training page <http://www.everettsptacouncil.org/training.html>

PTA & the Law, January 19th, 8-11am , <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/pta-and-the-law-webinar-tickets-49053562526>

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>

50th NATIONAL PTA[®] REFLECTIONS[®]

Join us as we celebrate our talented writers, artists, photographers, dancers, musicians, and film makers.



Wednesday, Jan 9, 2019
6:00pm – 8:00pm

Everett PTSA Council's
Reflections Celebration

Open House for All Reflections
Participants, Families and
Community Members

Community Resource Center
3900 Broadway, Everett WA 98201



For more information, please contact
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Advocacy

Use Your Voice to Focus on Kids-Focus Day is Feb 11, 2019

WSPTA members adopted a robust legislative platform that is focused on student safety and success. Now we need you to advocate for it.

Plan to come to Olympia for Focus Day on Monday, February 11, and meet with your legislators. Look for more details about the agenda and how to schedule legislator meetings in January.

Advocacy Week, February 11-15, is a great opportunity to contact legislators by responding to WSPTA action alerts. We will have a message on a different legislative priority each day. Make sure to [sign up](#) for the Action Network to participate during advocacy week and throughout the legislative session. [Lizzy Sebring](#), Advocacy Chair

Membership

2018-19 Members: 4963 **Goal: 5150** **2017-18 total: 5121**

Questions on membership? Contact Kim at kimkuhne@hotmail.com

Great work so far PTA leaders! As of Dec 16th, the Everett PTSA Council had 4963 members! We are 187 members away from our goal of 5150 members this year. That means we are 96% toward our Council goal. We will advertise the winners of the POWER Surge contest as soon as they are revealed. My fingers are crossed for a win from Everett!



WSPTA Awards of Excellence

WA State PTA annually recognizes PTAs for the outstanding work done in our school communities through the Award of Excellence program. If you have a PTA website that you're proud of, consider applying for an Outstanding Website award. Does your PTA do a unique outreach effort within your school? Consider applying for a Family and Community Engagement Award. Or if you have been following PTA best practices, take a look at the Standards of Excellence Award which includes a detailed rubric of how points are given. With 9 award categories, there are many ways to show the strengths of your PTA!

Awards of Excellence are announced each year at the annual WA State PTA Convention. Applications are due March 1, 2019, but by reviewing the criteria now you can make sure you have the examples needed to count towards the award. See [WSPTA website](#) for details.

Interested in applying but not sure where to start? Come by our **WSPTA Awards Workshop on Friday, January 18 from 10am-noon at the CRC**. There will be examples of award applications and materials to help you get started.

WSPTA Men's Essay Contest - Men Making a Difference

This statewide essay contest highlights the important and varied contributions that men make in the lives and education of children – from the children’s perspective. All men involved in a child’s life – fathers, uncles, grandfathers, brothers, step-fathers, mentors, neighbors, pastors, coaches, and friends – impact the children they care about. Research clearly shows that male involvement positively influences academic success at all levels of schooling – preschool through college. When male figures are involved with students’ schooling, they enjoy school more and perform better in and out of school.

All K-12 students in WA State are invited to participate in this essay contest with divisions based on age as well as categories for Special Authors who may benefit from modified guidelines. **Applications are due March 1, 2019.**

How can your PTA promote this contest to your school community? Hang up the 2018-19 Men’s Essay Contest poster in your school office and share out the link with families and teachers who may want to use this as a writing prompt. Remember that essays can be written at home or in school but cannot be edited in any way by a teacher.

For information, promotional ideas and resources, visit the [WSPTA Men’s Essay Contest web page](#).

Operation Prevention Video Challenge

Do you know any budding teen filmmakers? They could win \$10,000 and other great prizes for filming an [original public service announcement](#) about the dangers of prescription opioid misuse and heroin use for the DEA. [Get the official rules and other useful info.](#)

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