

# Cedar Heights Middle School PTSA

## MONTHLY UPDATE



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### KEEPING OUR PTSA GOING STRONG

As our PTSA starts putting things into place for next year to be successful, we are in need of a few volunteers to come forward to keep things rolling smoothly. Many of our elected board members (3 of the 4) and committee chair volunteers are moving up to Kentlake next year.

Five years ago, volunteer support at the school was so low that key enrichment programs were being cut. 7<sup>th</sup> graders were no longer able to participate in the frog dissection lab, there were only three soccer balls in P.E. that held air, and teachers were spending up to \$350/year out of their own pocket on needed supplies.

Over the past few years, the PTSA has worked very hard to revitalize the support and provide funding for these programs. Our PTSA brought back the Frog Dissection lab, Ice Cream making lab, purchased new calculators for Math, paid for Scholastic News and Scope publications for Language Arts, provided funding to help redo the teachers lounge, provided mini-grants to each department for classroom supplies and providing funding for each department to purchase basic supplies such as printer toner cartridges. In the 2016-2017 school year, we also donated funds to support Multicultural Night and purchased robots for the STEM class.

Many of us, including myself, are looking forward to summer vacations and taking a bit of a break from thinking about school for awhile, but it is imperative for us to set things up for next year in order for our PTSA to continue in a successful manner. Please consider being a vital role in your child's journey through middle school. Parent involvement in school activities drops significantly at the middle school level, even though it's needed more than ever.

We want the momentum and progress of the PTSA to continue! For next year, we need to fill three final board positions along with other chair positions in order for our progress to keep going.

**The Board Positions that need to be filled are: (some of these have to be filled in order for the PTSA to operate)**

**President (or Co-Presidents)**

**Secretary**

**VP-Volunteers**

The Committee Chair positions that need to be filled are:

Cookie Dough Fundraiser Coordinator (only fundraiser of the year)

Box Tops & My Coke Rewards

Webmaster & Newsletter

Teacher Appreciation (have one volunteer—need a co-chair)

Please consider getting involved in the Cedar Heights PTSA. The time commitment is much less than at the elementary school level. Plus, it's a great way to stay involved without "stepping on the toes" of your middle-schooler. Please email me @ [cedar.heights.ptsa@gmail.com](mailto:cedar.heights.ptsa@gmail.com) if you are interested or have any questions.

JoAnne Moen

Cedar Heights PTSA President

# ***VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES***

As the school year winds down, we have a few events that still need volunteers.  
Please consider helping out in one or more of these events.

Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> – BIKE RIDE



It is time for the Cedar Heights Health and Fitness department to begin organizing their Triathlon events for this year. We can only do this with volunteer help. The bike ride is the only event that can still use volunteers. On June 10<sup>th</sup>, you would go to Ron Regis park in Renton around 9:30 AM. We will then let you know where you will be stationed along the path way. As the students arrive and begin their journey down the path and back, you will just monitor that there are no bike issues, and remind the students to ride 2x2 and to stay on the right side of the trail. The event should be done by 12:00 at the latest. This is a rain or shine event, so please dress accordingly. Please contact Jennifer Judd with any questions or to volunteer: [jennifer.judd@kent.k12.wa.us](mailto:jennifer.judd@kent.k12.wa.us)



Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup> – TALENT SHOW

Our students put on a great Talent Show! We need volunteers to bake treats, help sell tickets and concessions. Click here [TALENT SHOW](#) to volunteer for this event!



Thursday, June, 15<sup>th</sup> & Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – LAPTOP ROLL IN

The Cedar Heights Laptop Roll In will look very different this year. Instead of doing it all in one day, it will be done over a 2 day period of time. Mrs. Grad will help guide you in what needs to be done. Click here [LAPTOP ROLL IN](#) to volunteer for this event.



Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE CELEBRATION

**School is almost out and our 8th graders are ready to celebrate their middle school years!**

Our PTSA would like to help support this ASB event by providing chaperones. Volunteers will help pass out food (pizza, cookies, drinks & popcorn), help supervise the inflatable's in the gym, assist students with backpack drop-off/check-in, and help pass out yearbooks.

Click here [8<sup>th</sup> GRADE CELEBRATION](#) to volunteer for this event!



For the entire school year, our Staff Appreciation co-chairs have organized a wonderful breakfast for our staff on each late start day. We have one more late start day in June and we'd love to be able to fill the staff room with treats. Please click here [STAFF APPRECIATION](#) to sign up to bring a treat!

A big **THANK YOU** to those of you who have donated items this year!

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## **Congratulations to our PTSA**

### **Award Winners!**

**Each year our PTSA selects individuals who have gone above and beyond to serve the children of our school.**

**This years award winners are:**

**GOLDEN ACORN: Michael Wilson**

**OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR: Elsa Foote**

**OUTSTANDING STUDENT ADVOCATE: Eric Kauffman**

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### **TURN IN YOUR BOX TOPS!!**

They are in a baggy somewhere...the kitchen drawer, the cabinet or maybe on top of the desk. They are there--just waiting to be turned in. Now is the time! We are doing one last Box Top collection just so you don't have to hold onto them throughout the summer. Turn them in now so our school can collect the \$\$\$. Please bring them to the office by Friday, May 26, 2017.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Check out what's happening with Cedar Heights PTSA on our website, [cedarheightsptsa.org](http://cedarheightsptsa.org).

### DATES TO REMEMBER!

#### Calendar

May 29	NO SCHOOL—MEMORIAL DAY
June 5-9	Spirit Week
June 7	Late Start—Teacher Appreciation
June 9	Pep Assembly
June 12	PTSA Meeting: 7:00PM, CH Library
June 15	Laptop Roll In 8:15AM - 3:00PM
June 15	Talent Show 7:00PM
June 16	Laptop Roll In 8:15AM - 3:00PM
June 22	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration 3:00PM - 5:00PM
June 23	Yearbook Distribution
June 26	Awards Ceremony 8:40AM
June 27	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>

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