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Keeping the lines of communication open between parents, teachers, and administrators of Gateway Middle School.



The PTSA strengthens our schools and benefits our children.

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Current Members: 299

2017-18 Members: 337

2018-19 Membership Goal: 358 members & 100% Teacher membership

GATEWAY PTSA NEWS

Upcoming Dates

10/20-21 WSPTA Legislative Assembly, Auburn-see blurb below 10/25 SCREENAGERS Film 6:30pm at JHS, doors open at 6pm

11/3 AR Workshop Fundraiser-see blurb below. 11/19 "Get Real Curriculum" presentation and PTSA membership meeting 6:30pm

Be sure to check out the Gateway Middle School calendar for more school event dates: **GATEWAY CALENDAR**

Student PTSA Members Needed

Gateway PTSA is looking for student member volunteers who would like the opportunity to serve on a committee to help award the Gateway educational grants. Service would require 1-2 hours commitment scoring the grant applications. Please contact Larissa Pfeifer, VP Volunteers (larissakpfeifer@gmail.com) if you are interested.

Box Tops Contest

Winners to be announced next week.



Help Gateway Reach Our \$1000 in Box Tops Goal Box Tops Contest September 24 – October 8

Help the Committee by cutting your Box Tops to size.
 Expired Box Tops will not count toward the contest.
 Turn in the Box Tops to English teachers. Place your Box Tops in a Ziploc baggie or envelope. Label it with the following:
 English Teacher's Name
 English Class Period

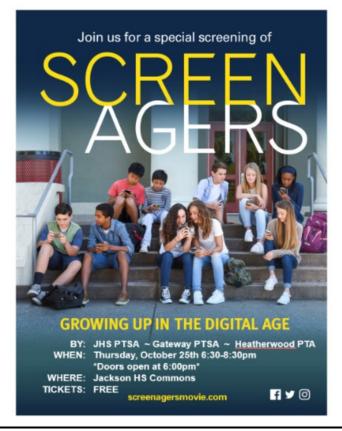
Other ways to help us raise more money

. Ask family and friends to pledge Box Tops to Gateway MS PTSA by going to









Reflections Art Competition

It's that time of year again for students to be working on their entries in visual arts, film production, music composition, dance choreography, and photography.

Entry forms can be found on the flyer shelf by the front doors of the school. Visit our <u>website</u> for program details and rules.

REFLECTIONS PROGRAM OVERVIEW



The Reflections Program is a National PTA and Washington State PTA

Fundraising

Want to have fun, take something awesome home and support the Gateway Middle School PTSA at the same time?

Join us at the AR Workshop on: Saturday, November 3rd 6:00 - 9:00 pm

All of the materials you will need to create a beautiful, custom piece of home décor are included in the cost of this instructor-led class. If needed, you can get help every step of the way! You have options for hand-crafting so many charming projects!

20% of your cost will go back to the PTSA which helps support all students at Gateway Middle School. This is not limited to only Gateway families. Please feel free to invite other friends and family members too.

Click on the link below to register

 $\underline{\text{https://www.arworkshop.com/millcreek/events/gateway-middle-school-fundraiser/}}$

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea: benay100@hotmail.com

Thank you to Kristi Thomsen, Amanda Buechler, and Maria Villanueva for running the student store on Friday.



Advocacy happens every day

Help us choose what should be a top issue for 2019-2021 WSPTA Legislative Platform.



PTSA Representatives will be voting on new Principles and Resolutions that drive long-term advocacy for the WSPTA at the upcoming Legislative Assembly on Oct 20-21.

Thank you to those that completed the survey. Laura Peterson will be the voting delegate for Gateway PTSA and Hai Evans also attending.

GATEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

GBN (morning announcements)

Give Club

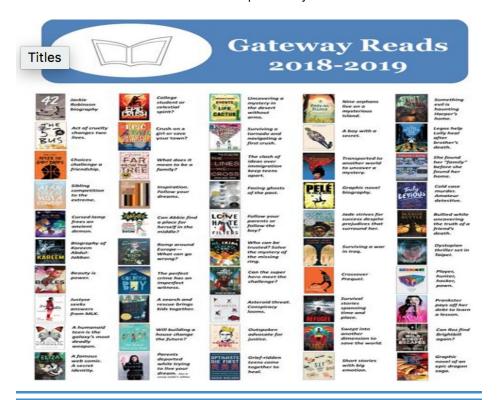
Gateway's GIVE student club has its first meeting at lunchtime Monday in the school library. The club welcomes all students interested in planning activities like food drives, disaster relief, spirit days, and other service projects to make Gateway and the community a better place. For more details, visit Mrs. Stephens in the library or email sstephens@everettsd.org

Gateway Reads

The 2018-19 Gateway Reads program has a fantastic new selection of 50 book titles to read for fun. Last year's 50 titles were checked out over 1,700 times!

After finishing a listed book, students can enter drawings for prizes such as autographed books, school supplies, Seahawks items, Starbucks cards, cool socks, and other items valued under \$10. The library would love donations for the prize box. To help, message Mrs. Stephens at sstephens@everettsd.org

To read the books with your child, check the library website for a list. Also, we invite students to be on the committee to pick next year's titles!



EVERETT PTSA COUNCIL, WSPTA & NATIONAL PTA INFO

WSPTA MEMBER BENEFITS

https://www.wastatepta.org/get-involved/member-benefits/

- Office Depot back to school savings on school supplies, office products, technology, furniture, and print.
- Tickets at Work formerly TicketMonster 20-70% off on movies, hotels, shows,
- concerts, sporting events and more. • <u>LEGOBags.com</u>
- Cirque Du Soleil Volta 9/7-11/4 through Tickets at Work.
- FRIGHT FEST at Wild Waves discount

NATIONAL PTA PARENT RESOURCES

Have you visited the National PTA website lately? pta.org Lots of great resources for parents including a $\underline{\text{health and safety page}}$.

National PTA's Our Children Magazine great info for parents and students. Great articles on Parenting, Education, Wellness, Family Fun and PTA Community. Featured this fall, "Help Your Child Learn How to Learn"



Is your contact information up-to-date at school?

If your contact information has changed, please let your school know so we can reach you.

Mobile app

Families can <u>download the district mobile app</u>to easily access student information, grades, attendance, lunch balances, borrowed library books, calendars and more! Translate notifications and app functions into the language you prefer.

School performance report

Our school's performance report is available online on each school's website. More information is available on the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction website. Click on "State Report Card" and select Everett from the list of districts.

PeachJar Flyers for Parents

Be sure to check out current flyers on the Gateway Middle School website.

Click <u>here</u> to view all Peachjar Flyers including school lunch menus.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Open Doors website

Open Doors for Multi-Cultural FamiliesParent Support Groups

African American
Date: Saturday, October 20
Time: 10-12pm
Location: Kent Office



<u>Arabic</u>

Date: Saturday, October 27
Time: 3-5pm
Location: Iraqi Community Center

<u>Chinese</u>

Date: Saturday, October 20 Time: 2-4pm Location: Together Center, Redmond

<u>Somali</u>

Date: Friday, October 19 Time: 6-8pm Location: Lee House, Seattle

<u>Spanish</u>

Date: Friday, October 25 Time: 6-8pm Location: Kent Office

Date: Friday, October 19 Time: 10am-12pm

Location: *call Min for directions 253-391-9151_*

For questions, contact:

Hodan Mohamed, Family Support

Manager 253.245.7304

GATEWAY PTSA 2018-19 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION

- Kori Dewing, President
- <u>Larissa Pfeifer</u>, VP Volunteers
- Debi Kobylk, Secretary
- Hai Evans, Treasurer

 Andrea Brease VD Free
- Andrea Rosen, VP FundraisingHeather Emans, Membership

Laura Peterson Gateway PTSA Communications

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Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

Affirmative Action Office - Carol Stolz, cstolz@everettsd.org, 425-385-4106 Title IX Officer - Randi Seaberg, rseaberg@everettsd.org, 425-385-4104

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