

Gateway PTSA 7.3.72

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Welcome Back

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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2017-2018 Membership Goal: 358 members & 100% Teacher membership
2017-18 Members: 337

GATEWAY PTSA NEWS

Upcoming Dates

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

Welcome to Gateway

Welcome to new and returning Gateway families! The start of school is right around the corner and I have to admit that I enjoyed those couple of days of cooler weather and clean air. Hopefully you had a chance to stop by the PTSA booth at the student orientation, say hi, join or add your name and contact information to our volunteer list. My family is new to Gateway and I am super excited about all the activities and adventures planned this year by our PTSA committees and members. Our school community is strong which helps foster a great learning environment for our children. It was beautiful to see the smiles and wide eyes of excitement on the students at orientation. If you haven't already, I encourage you to join Gateway PTSA and show your support. Kori Dewing, President

Guardian Wear Orders

Due 9/21. Click [here](#) for sizing info and forms.

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

<https://www.arworkshop.com/millicreek/events/gateway-middle-school-fundraiser/>

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

Thank you to Laura Giordano, Scott Canavan, Suzi Johnson, Larissa Pfeifer, Hai Evans, Angela & Charlie Fix, Kori Dewing and lots of students/siblings for helping stuff first day student packets.

Thank you to Toni Wilson, Michelle Thomas, and Laura Peterson for conducting the end-of-year financial review.



Advocacy happens every day.

New Federal Funding Bill. The Senate passed a bill on Thursday that increased investments in education but did not prevent funds from being used to purchase guns. [See our response.](#) (National PTA)



Walk-About Volunteers Needed

Mr. Vioria is looking for parent volunteers for our Walk-About program this 2018-2019 school year! If any parents would like more information or would like to volunteer, please fill

out the volunteer form on the Everett Public Schools website.

Thank you,
Tom Vilorio
Gateway Campus Security Officer
426-385-6763
tviloria@everettsd.org

Attention volunteers

Our schools rely on volunteers to support many important activities and our volunteer application has been updated.

- We are digital! All volunteer applications and background checks can only be processed online.
- We are focused on safety! We have new background check and safety training requirements.

ALL volunteers must fill out a new application for the 2018-19 school year. The new application is now available online at www.everettsd.org/volunteer.

Safety tip line

Do you or your student have a concern about someone experiencing bullying or harassment? Or have you perhaps heard a rumor about someone bringing a weapon or drugs to school? **Report it!** You can talk directly with your school's office or you can call, text or email your concern.

If there is reason for concern about safety on a designated walkway to school, call 9-1-1 immediately for authorized, quick help. We have strong partnerships with local law enforcement who share our interest in safe schools and neighborhoods.

Student safety is a priority for all of us. Working together, we can help make our neighborhoods and schools nurturing places for students to safely learn and grow.

EVERETT PTSA COUNCIL, WSPTA & NATIONAL PTA INFO

WSPTA MEMBER BENEFITS

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

- **Washington State Fair** - save on admission, rides and concert discounts
- **Office Depot** - back to school savings on school supplies, office products, technology, furniture, and print.
- **Wild Waves** Theme and Water Park - save \$20 through September 3.
- **Silverwood** Theme Park - save on gate pricing.
- **Tickets at Work** - formerly TicketMonster - 20-70% off on movies, hotels, shows, concerts, sporting events and more.
- **LEGOBAGS.com** - coming soon.

National PTA's Our Children Magazine
great info for parents and students.
Great articles on Parenting, Education,
Wellness, Family Fun and PTA
Community.



EVERETT SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

HIGH SCHOOL GROWTH MITIGATION PLANNING

During the July 3 school board meeting, directors approved a motion directing the superintendent to create and present a proposal at the August 28 board meeting to develop a high school growth mitigation planning committee. [The presentation](#) and [Resolution 1185](#) prescribes the committee's process, guiding principles, participants and timeline. Staff also shared with the board themes from over [470 public comments](#) collected online over the summer.

The committee's report is due for the board's review in June 2019.

NEW ONLINE FREE & REDUCED LUNCH FORMS

This is Everett Public School's Food and Nutrition Services. We are happy to announce that we now have an online Free and Reduced Application! [Click here](#) to begin your [online application](#). The link can also be found on our website at www.everettsd.org

Paper ones are still available at the schools. Please note that any incomplete applications will be denied and returned to you. This is a Federal program and we are required by law to abide by their guidelines. A complete application must have the following filled out to be considered complete:

- Student Name, birthday and school
- Names of ALL household members (include children not attending school, babies, grandparents that are living in the home and their income).
- If you mark Basic Food, or TANF or FDIPR you MUST list your case or client ID number. If you mark either of those boxes and fail to enter the case or client ID number, it will be denied and returned to you.
- Total number of household members
- Last four digits of Social Security Number (SSN) of primary wage earner
- Signature from adult household member

You may return the completed and signed application to your youngest child's school, or scan and email to foodservices@everettsd.org (it must be scanned via PDF. There are several new phone apps that allow you to scan into PDF). You can also fax to 425-385-4249.

Please contact our office at 425-385-4380 if you have any questions.
Thank you and have a great day!

PeachJar Flyers for Parents

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

Click [here](#) to view all PeachJar Flyers including school lunch menus.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Lots of resources at the library--
<https://sno-isle.org/teens/homework-help>



GATEWAY PTSA 2018-19 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION

- [Kori Dawing](#), President
- [Larissa Pfeiffer](#), VP Volunteers
- [Debi Kobylk](#), Secretary
- [Hal Evans](#), Treasurer

- [Andrea Rosen](#), VP Fundraising
- [Heather Emans](#), Membership

Thank you!

Laura Peterson
[Gateway PTSA Communications](#)

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www.gatewayptsa.org

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The district shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, veteran or military status, the presence of any physical, sensory or mental disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a student with a disability.

Designated to handle inquiries about nondiscrimination policies are:

Alternative Action Office – Carol Stahl, carolstahl@everett.k12.wa.us, 425-385-4109 **Title IX Officer** – Randi Steenberg, randisteberg@everett.k12.wa.us, 425-385-4104
SN Coordinator – Becky Ballbach, ballbach@everett.k12.wa.us, 425-385-4063 **ADA Coordinator** – Becky Clifford, clifford@everett.k12.wa.us, 425-385-5250

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