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The PTSA strengthens our schools and benefits our children.

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Current Members: 336

2017-18 Members: 337

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

PTSA Membership is the gift that keeps on giving. Click [here](#) to get a membership form

Why Join PTA? Check out our new video to hear from parents just like you who have gotten involved with their local PTA. See why the need for PTA is more important than ever! [Watch now!](#)

GATEWAY PTSA NEWS

Upcoming Dates

Apr 29 ANGST movie screening at JHS 6:30pm

May 3 Full Day (no LIF)

May 13 PTSA BOD Meeting 6:30pm in library

May 20 PTSA Budget Meeting 6:30pm at the Newsroom

Jun 17 PTSA Membership Meeting 6:30pm at the Newsroom, 800 164th SE, Suite N Millcreek

Jun 18 June Jamboree

Jun 19 8th Grade Bridging Ceremony & Celebration at JHS 6pm *date change

Be sure to check out the Gateway Middle School calendar for more school event dates: [GATEWAY CALENDAR](#)



APR 29 Angst:Raising Awareness Around Anxiety (film & panel discussion)
Public · Hosted by HM Jackson HS PTSA

Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety

- FREE to attend
- 6:30-8:30pm
- JHS Commons
- Monday, April 29

JHS PTSA is hosting a showing of the film **Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety**. This event will feature the film and an informative panel discussion. This event is open to students (ages 10+), parents/guardians, staff and community members.

"**Angst** is an IndieFlix Original, documentary designed to raise awareness around anxiety. The film includes interviews with kids, teens, educators, experts, parents and a very special interview with Michael Phelps. Our goal specifically is to help people identify and understand the symptoms of anxiety and encourage them to reach out for help."

Raffle Donations Needed

The 8th Grade Celebration Raffle Committee needs your help. If you are interested in making a donation to the raffle, the time to do it is now. Some suggestions are gift cards such as iTunes, Game Stop, Fred Meyer, Jamba Juice, Movie Tickets, UW Bookstore or whatever you think would be appropriate for our 8th grade students. Physical items are also great such as phone chargers, blue tooth speakers headphones, sports team memorabilia, etc. You may send any item you wish to donate school...please mark it designated for this event OR drop it off in the main office before Friday, June 3rd. Items will be picked up on a regular basis. Questions??? Email Emma Misner at emmamisner@outlook.com

Volunteer Opportunities

Guardian Award / Student of the Month Breakfasts

We're looking for a chairperson for next school year. The breakfasts happen every couple months on a Friday morning before school. The school does the whole program itself, while the PTSA handles the event setup and purchasing of food. Please let me know if this would interest you.

Spring Fling Dance, all ages

The final dance social of the year will have a DJ in the gym, karaoke in the Commons, carnival games and board/yard games. We need help with advance ticket sales and then chaperones for the dance itself. Ticket sales are during lunchtime, 10:35 a.m.-1 p.m, with a few breaks in between each lunch.

- Tuesday, May 7, 10:35-1:00 p.m. ticket sales
- Wednesday, May 8, 10:35-1:00 p.m. ticket sales
- Thursday, May 9, 10:35-1:00 p.m. ticket sales

--Thursday, May 9, 2:30-5:15 p.m. dance chaperones

Please let me know which day(s) would work for you. Thank you so much!
(And feel free to share this message with anyone who might not have received it.)

[Larissa](#)

Gateway PTSA VP Volunteers

8th Grade Celebration

Families with 8th Graders: Planning has begun for the end-of-school event! There are a lot of opportunities to help. If you would like to join the committee, please email Heather Emans at ehemans@me.com. Here is the link to find sign ups to plan and chaperone <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080849abae2ea20-8thgrade3>

If you could like to attend a meeting, all meetings begin at 6:30 in the GMS Library, April 22, May 6, June 3.

Communications-Website and eBlast Help Needed

We are looking for someone that Laura can train to take over updating the website and writing the eBlast newsletter. Contact Laura at lkpete@mac.com for more information.

Penny Creek PE Seeking Donations

The Penny Creek PE department would like to have a unit developing baseball/softball skills. She is looking for bats (whiffle and aluminum) and mitts that could be donated to Penny Creek. Any style or size could be useful. Thanks so very much for helping to support Penny Creek PE! Items can be dropped off at Penny Creek or brought to the Gateway office by 4/26. Please email Heather Emans at ehemans@me.com with questions.

Thank you to Heather Morgan,
Melinda Mikulecky and Dawn Mercer
for running the student store last
Friday.



Advocacy happens every day



Keep up with the bills and committee hearings related to WSPTA member-generated Legislative Priorities and long-term positions by utilizing the [WSPTA Bill Status Report](#).

GATEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

[GBN](#) (morning announcements)

Click [here](#) for the parent newsletter from the school - *The Gateway Page*

Headphones for SBA

It's April, and that means our SBA testing is right around the corner. As we do more prep work on the Chromebooks, please make sure students have a pair of earbuds or headphones they can bring to school each day.

Donations for Library and Recess

Our librarian could use the following to have for students that visit the library for activities:

K'NEX Blocks, Uno, sewing items, colored pencils .

The recess staff could also use:

basketballs, soccer balls, tennis balls, volleyballs and playground balls.

All items can be used but should be in good condition. Donations can be brought to the front office.

District Middle School Art Show

Viewing at the Everett Public Schools Community Resource Center: May 6 – May 31, 2019 - Families, friends, and the public are invited to view the Art Show during regular business hours Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Art Show Reception: May 22, 2019, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – Families and friends are invited to a reception to enjoy the Art Show and refreshments and hear the awards announcements

Congratulations to these Gateway Art students!

Doreene Ancheta Kaitlyn Busch * Nithi Byreddy Alexander Carriedo
Luke Casper Rubi Coeffic * Robert Dick Xavier Ford Cody Gelo
Sophia Giodano Giahna Hamilton Mateo Johnson Lucy LaChance
Isaiah Lam "Q" Owen Lee Shakira Locke Anna Nossova * Mariyah McClendon
Michaela Morse Timothy Mesheryakov Evander Ngo * Keanna Orozco
Shree Pratti * Lester Ryleigh Cath Rojas * Taylor Renfro * Julian Smith
Savannah Sommerfield LeeAnn Thiem * Khoi Tran Jack Truant
Kaelyn Van Duzer Emily Warter Jasmine Ye * Gaon Yi * Lakshita Yogi
Students who have two entries *

EVERETT PTSA COUNCIL, WSPTA & NATIONAL PTA INFO

WSPTA MEMBER BENEFITS

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

- Follow our [Facebook page](#)
- Great Wolf Lodge - save up to 30% on your next stay
- Wild Waves discounts

NATIONAL PTA PARENT RESOURCES

Help Your Child Prep For the Annual State Test
Learning Heroes, National PTA and Univision have launched Spring Ahead: A Clear Path for Your Child's Success, a research-based, bilingual, parent resource

to help you help your child get ready for the annual state test and identify other measures to assess achievement. [Learn more!](#)

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 boundaries

The [High School Growth Mitigation Committee](#) has prepared a recommendation to the superintendent to temporarily reduce enrollment at Jackson High School. It would also affect Cascade and Everett high school boundaries.

Please take a few moments to [review the recommendation](#). In the committee's proposal, no recommended changes would take place before September 2020. If you would like to provide comments to the superintendent for his consideration as he prepares to bring the committee's recommendation to the school board on May 21, 2019, accompanied by his advice as to adoption, amendment and adoption, or rejection, please go to our [comment form](#). Online comments are welcomed until 4 p.m. May 16, 2019.

Innovation Expo June 5

Students and families will enjoy seeing and interacting at booths from schools from across the district at this year's [Innovation Expo](#) June 5, 5-8 p.m., at Angel of the Winds (formerly Xfinity) Arena. Each school's booth is different and showcases something the students at that school are learning.

The STEM competition is a favorite part of the event for many students and families. See the best student projects from around the district and hear what the students learned by completing them. Learn more and download forms at [www.everettsd.org/expo](#).

COMMUNITY NEWS

Day of Service

Invitation to join school board member, Traci Mitchell, for "day of service" with her company at Cocoon House to create meals to be frozen for the youth. It's May 7th 10-2 pm. They need 10 people and groceries for 70 youth. If you would like to help out, email Traci at traci-mitchell@hotmail.com

GATEWAY PTSA 2018-19 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION

- [Kori Dewing](#), President
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- [Debi Kobylk](#), Secretary
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VP Volunteers: Jen Rasmussen
Secretary: Cherlie Camero-gushiken
Treasurer: Hai Evans
Membership: Melissa Hinze and Eileen Sugimoto

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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:

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