



The Lions Den

The Leota PTSA monthly newsletter

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Volunteer Opportunity!

Every year the PTSA forms a Nominating Committee to find members to fill the Executive Committee chairs for the upcoming school year (2018-19).

Executive Committee includes the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

If you are interested in joining the Nominating Committee or are interested in more details, please email Laura Sauls at VolunteerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com

URGENT - WE NEED YOUR HELP AT CAREER DAY 2018

Career Day 2018 is scheduled for **Thursday, March 8th from 8:30am - 12:30pm**. We need **at least 60 speakers** to make this day a success (or to even hold this event) and right now we are less than half way to meeting our panelist needs.

Career Day offers our students insight into many different career paths. We want our students to understand that no career path is ever straight and within any career there are lots of different avenues they can follow. As a panelist, you will be with 2-3 other speakers and will talk with a small group of students in a relaxed classroom environment. Each panelist will be given about five minutes to talk about their career path with the remainder of the time being a Q&A with the students. Last years speakers raved at how engaged the students were and thought it was an incredible experience.

Come and share your career and provide "real insight" to these great students who will be representing our future. Please use the following link: <http://signup.com/go/iBokGSV> to sign up to be a career panelist or to volunteer as a non-panelist at the event. We will be sending out more information about Career Day in early February, but we would like to have our speakers lined up as soon as possible for scheduling. ***In the comment section, it would be helpful if you can add your full name, the name of the company you work for and your current position. You can also present on a past job if you prefer.***

Career Day would not be possible without your help and support. Please share your journey and participate in this rewarding community event!

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact **Mary Drews** at 971-409-7616 or at cmdrews@msn.com



URGENT - THIS EVENT CAN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT PARENT PARTICIPATION!!

We are starting to plan our end of the school year 8th Grade Celebration Party and putting together our Planning Committee. It is early, but this is a big event and it takes many volunteers to make it a success!

We hope to have lots of help planning this fun event for our kids and need Parents help! We will be meeting to discuss the details, select committee leads, discuss theme ideas, etc. Let's get the ball rolling!

Our first meeting is tentative (based on response) for January 18th. Location and time TBD.

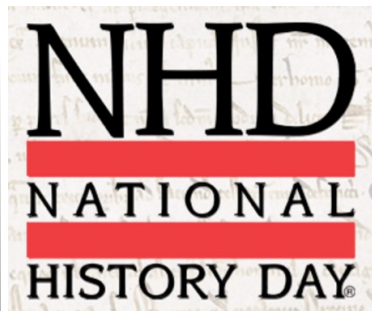
Please contact Cheryl Folgmann, at cheryllsiever@gmail.com OR [206-999-1527](tel:206-999-1527), if you are interested in helping be a part of our team to help plan an AMAZING 8th Grade Celebration this year!!!

Cheryl Folgmann, Leota Middle School Social Committee Chair



Thank you to everyone who helped make our Holiday Staff Appreciation event a success! We gave away a ton of gift cards and cookies! Our next event is coming up on Tuesday, January 30th and will be a Healthy New Year Salad Bar Luncheon. Please look at the sign up below and see if you might be able to contribute an item or two on our list! Thank you!

<http://signup.com/go/ybx2hk>



Night at the Museum

Our Challenge and AAP 8th graders have been working on their National History Day projects all year!

They will showcase them on February 7th, and we need some parent volunteers to help set up their exhibit boards. There will also be volunteer opportunities for students wanting to complete hours for Honors Society.

Sign-up here: <http://signup.com/go/GSSQYQL>



Don't forget to check with your company! Many employers will match not only your Pass the Hat donations, but your membership fees as well!

Make your dollars count as double and submit your matching pledge today!

For Questions about Matching Contributions, please contact Amanda Vandenberg at:

TreasurerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com

Get Connected & Be Informed

There are several ways to connect with your PTSA and to stay informed of what's going on:

- ✓ Like Us on Facebook [@LeotaPTSA](https://www.facebook.com/LeotaPTSA)
- ✓ Check Out Our Website www.leotapta.com
- ✓ Attend our 2nd General Membership Meeting on **Wednesday, March 21st at 6:30 pm in the Leota Library.**



DON'T FORGET TO



During our last general membership meeting in October, Leota PTSA voted to officially support the 3 ballot measures that will be voted on in the Feb. 13, 2018 ballot. Those measures are:

- Replacement for the Educational Programs and Operation Levy
- Renewal School Technology Levy
- Capital Bonds

To find out more about the Bonds & Levies go to <https://www.nsd.org/Page/34682>

For information about Voter Registration, visit


Member Perks

Did you know that your PTSA membership not only supports Leota, but also gives you benefits and discounts? Every member is emailed their membership card that includes access to a list of all the current offers available. [This Month's Spotlight: Great Wolf Lodge!](#)

Want to get away from the cold weather for a bit? Members receive savings on available room rates at Great Wolf Lodge across the country; water park passes are always included with your stay!

To see a list of all benefits, visit <https://www.wastatepta.org/get-involved/member-benefits/>

Focus Day 2018



IT'S TIME to... FULLY FUND SCHOOLS
Call your state legislators
Call 1-800-368-6000

PTA has a strong voice in Washington State. Come to Olympia to meet your legislators to show that parents and students support excellence in education.

Where: Cafeteria at State Capital
416 Sid Snyder Ave SW, Olympia, WA 98504

When: January 29, 2018
Time: 9am to 2pm

Email: FocusDay@northshorecouncilptsa.org

Bus with Us to Focus Day

Drive if you like, but why not take the Northshore Council PTSA bus:
Meet: Northshore Administration Building
3330 Monte Villa Parkway, Bothell 98021

Leaving: 7:30am **Arrive in Olympia:** 9am **Cost:** \$0
Return: 2pm **Arrive in Bothell:** 3:30pm **Email us to RSVP**

Top 5 Platform: 1. Social Emotional Learning 2. Ample Fund Basic Education 3. Closing the Opportunity Gap 4. Standards for Paraeducators 5. Breakfast After the Bell

Month	Day	Activity	
<i>January</i>	1	NO SCHOOL – Holiday Break	
	1	PTSA Audit	
	Succession Planning	9	PTSA Board Meeting – 1-3pm LMS CONF. ROOM
		12	Martin Luther King Assembly
		15	NO SCHOOL – MLK Day
		27	Solo & Ensemble Festival (at TMS)
		29	NON-STUDENT DAY
	30	Staff Appreciation – Healthy New Year	
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<i>February</i>	7	NHD Night at The Museum – 6:30-8pm	
	13	PTSA Board Meeting – 1-3pm LMS CONF. ROOM	
	19-23	NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day / Mid-Winter Break	