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HELLO!

THANK YOU again for being one of our 1,079 members! Our membership count is very important to us and a matter of PTSA pride, so please, please encourage your friends to join and be sure to add that second household name to your membership at no extra charge.

SEPTEMBER RECAP: We were thrilled to have a packed room for our initial meeting of the year. First thing--budget approval. Check it out and be amazed at the vast number of programs and activities that we are involved in at IHS! Next, one of our own industrious members proposed that we investigate what PTSA can do to keep the Library/Computer lab open after school (no kidding - it isn't!) Membership gave that idea an enthusiastic thumbs up, so expect a detailed proposal at our Oct. 10

meeting. After committee reports, Principal Andrea McCormick gave us the rundown on a wide variety of subjects, from registration to dress code to in-house suspensions, the new on-time graduation specialist, 7th period, and more. ASB Advisor Erin Schiermeyer reported on various upcoming student-run activities, including Homecoming. All good to know!

NEXT MEETING: Please join us this Friday, Oct. 10 in the IHS Office conference room at 9:00 am (social time), 9:30-11:30 am (meeting) and 11:30-12:30 (complimentary lunch and more socializing). Park in visitor/student (not staff) parking and check in with Patti at the front desk. Please bring a small toiletry item for our Angel Program, which serves our neediest students. See you Friday!

Your Co-Presidents, Cyn Baumert & Anne Watanabe

WELCOME TO ISSAQUAH

For all families new to our community and the Issaquah School District

> Tuesday, Oct. 14 - 7:00-8:30 pm IHS Library

Please come and grab a cup of coffee, check out the school library, meet other new (and some experienced) parents, ask questions and get some useful information about our school and the Issaquah community. School counselors will provide an overview of the academic requirements and resources at IHS. You will learn how to navigate our online "Family Access" system and find out where to go/who to talk to for different needs. We look forward to meeting you!

Contact: Newcomers Chair Ginger Wilfong

UPCOMING PTSA EVENTS

Friday, Oct 10 PTSA Monthly Meeting 9 am Social time 9:30-11:30 am Meeting Conference Room, IHS Office

Tuesday, Oct 14 Welcome to Issaquah night 7-8:30 pm, IHS library

Monday, Oct 27 Reflections entries due





Calling All Student Artists

Put your creative hats on...PTSA's **Reflections cultural arts competition** has begun! Forms are available in IHS main office or on the <u>state PTA</u> <u>website</u>. The theme is, "The world would be a better place if..." and the art categories are photography, music composition, literature, dance choreography, visual arts, and film production. Participate and be recognized! Entries are due Monday, Oct. 27, 2014. Turn in at IHS main office. Contact: Reflections Cochairs <u>Becky Gordon</u> & <u>Sandi Lum</u>.

Student Directory

We are busy creating the Student Directory, expected to be mailed to PTSA member families in late October. It is a useful resource and one of the many perks of joining IH PTSA! We use the school database as the source of the contact information, so if you have any recent changes to your home address or phone number, please let us know by this Friday, Oct. 10.

Contact: Directory Chair Jodi Boatright

PTSA Member Discount at FedEx/Kinkos

IH PTSA members enjoy special rates at FedEx/Kinkos, including 3.7 cents per single-sided black-and-white copy; 38 cents per single-sided color copy; and 20% off other services. Simply provide Washington State PTA's account number at checkout or online. For more information and the account number, visit the WSPTA website.

Contact: Membership Chair Valerie Yanni

Community Service Program

PTSA's Community Service Program for 2014-2015 is in full swing! PTSA reps will be at lunch on the first Monday of every month to promote the program and answer student questions. This year's seniors who log 50 or more volunteer hours of community service by the May 4th deadline will receive a white honor cord to wear at graduation, recognizing their outstanding service to the community. Please encourage your student to participate!

For details and requirements for the class of 2016, 2017 and beyond, see the <u>PTSA website</u>.

Contact: Community Service Chair <u>Bertina</u>
Loeffler Sedlack

SAT Prep Class Update

Register now for our next series of SAT Prep Classes on the PTSA website.

<u>Math</u>: Jan 26-Mar 9 (not Feb 16), 3:00-5:00 pm (evening math class tbd)

<u>Reading & Writing</u>: Jan 29-Mar 12 (not Feb 19), 2:45-4:45 pm or 5:00-7:00 pm

Note: Class material is specific to the 2014-15 test. The College Board website https://www.collegeboard.org/delivering-opportunity/sat/redesign/compare-tests has information on the redesigned SAT test for 2015-16. Contact: SAT Prep Chair Jeanne Simon

iFashion: Save the Date!

Friday, April 24, 2015 is the 4th annual Issaquah High IFashion Show. It's back -- bigger and better! In conjunction with the ASB Auction, IFashion helps raise funds for clubs, ASB, senior class activities and PTSA. Check out last year's runway moments (photos thanks to Studio B Portraits).

<u>Models</u>: Sign up online Nov 1-Dec 31, on a first-come, first-served basis. This year freshmen and sophomores will also have an opportunity to participate. (We're grooming the next generation of Issaquah High's top models!)

<u>Volunteers</u>: There are so many ways to get involved. We're looking for a dressing room manager, procurement specialist, finance manager, catering, and more. Please visit <u>issaquahfashion.com</u> or email us.

<u>IFashion Thank You</u>: We would like to give a shout out to Francesca's, one of our IFashion partners, for hosting a fun homecoming event at their Issaquah Highlands location. The store opened for private, after-hours shopping, with special discounts, raffle prizes, fittings, hair/makeup consultations (Ulta) and appetizers (Agave). Thank you!

Social Media: Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram ---- #IssyFashion

Contact: iFashion Co-Chairs: Stephanie Morton & Lisa Clawson

All About Senior Celebration

Reserve A Space Now For Senior All-Night Celebration June 12, 2015

<u>What is Senior Celebration</u>? Planned by PTSA senior class parents, it is an all-night, chaperoned, safe, drug- and alcohol-free event after graduation, and the final opportunity for the class of 2015 to socialize and celebrate together.

<u>How much does it cost</u>? It's \$168 for this all-inclusive evening, covering transportation to/from multiple fun-filled, activity-packed, SECRET venues, plus entertainment, dinner, breakfast and FUN, FUN, FUN all night long! You may pay either 1) \$168 now; or 2) \$84 now and another \$84 by March 2. Note: Full and partial scholarships are available. If you or someone you know is unable to afford this event, please contact our Angel co-chair, <u>Laurie Foreman</u>. (All information will be kept confidential.)

<u>How do I reserve a spot</u>? Space is reserved on a first-come, first-served basis, so early registration is highly recommended! Register here on the PTSA website.

<u>Parent Volunteers</u>: We do need a small army of men and women for this event! If you can help, please contact Laurie Foreman.

- Junior parents register and bus load students.
- Senior parents chaperone the evening.

<u>Details</u>: All we can tell you now is that check-in is at 9:30 pm on June 12 at IHS. Additional information such as pick up time and pertinent instructions will be emailed at a later date. And certain other details will just be kept secret -- for the sake of fun and safety.

Contacts: Senior Celebration Co-Chairs Maureen Walsh & Tabitha Mays.

Messages from Our Community

Friends of Youth Invites You To:

2nd Annual Rise and Thrive Breakfast Wed, November 12, 7:30-8:30 am Pickering Barn - 1730 10th Ave NW, Issaguah

Friends of Youth is a local non-profit dedicated to helping young people in challenging circumstances get their lives back. Proceeds from this fundraiser will support efforts to increase mental health and substance abuse counseling in the Issaquah School District. Learn more about <u>Friends of Youth</u> and register for the breakfast <u>here</u>.



ISF's *All in for Kids* campaign continues this month, raising revenue that will fund many key programs district-wide. If you have already given to the campaign, THANK YOU so much for your support! If you have not yet given and would like to learn more about the foundation, visit us at issfdn.org to learn what ISF

does and how you can help.

Please mark your calendar and join us for an ISF Takeover at **The RAM – Wednesday, October 8!** Your family will enjoy delicious food, and a portion of all purchases will benefit the Foundation.





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