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Upcoming Meeting Date

Please join us for our monthly board and general meetings on May 11th. We'll start at 9:00 with coffee and treats, and then begin the meeting at 9:30 sharp. As always, ASB Advisor and Teacher Representative Tim Baynes and Principal Paula Phelps will be there to answer your questions. We will also hear from School Resource Officer Karin Weihe and teacher Josh Moore.

New PTSA Officers for 2012-13

The following slate of officers has been elected to serve our PTSA in 2012-2013. Congratulations and thank you for serving! President--Blair Baumer, President-Elect--Anne Watanabe, Secretary--Cyn Baumert, Treasurer--Laura Freeman, VP Communications--Debbie Sexton, VP Programs--Lisa Gaan, VP Hospitality--Kim Dreiblatt, and Kimberly Undi, VP Volunteers--Christy Garrard, and VP of Ways and Means--Chris Fisher.

Bond Information

Our maintenance and construction bond is currently passing by 70%. A million thanks to all of you who voted for the bond, and a special thanks to those of you who worked to raise awareness and get out the vote! We are all lucky to live in a community that values our schools so highly!

Fundraising

Thanks to our many generous donors one more time for their gifts for the 2011-2012 school year. You have helped fund a wealth of programs, student financial assistance, and some pretty cool teacher and classroom grants including iPads for the LRC II class, a mobile cooperative learning lab, the Shakespeare Alive program, and new DVDs for chemistry. Big thanks also to donors who increased their gifts through matching programs with Boeing, Microsoft, and Bank of America, and to Carol Jongejan, our Corporate Matching Gifts chair. With Carol's wonderful help, corporate matching gifts to IH PTSA totaled \$2,444--a recent record!

Senior Celebration

All grads attending Senior Celebration should arrive at the IHS commons at 9:30 pm on June 11 with only the clothes on their backs! No bags of any kind, cell phones, cameras, wallets, or keys etc. will be allowed. Grads should dress for comfort; they will be out all night! Busses will return to the school between 5:30 and 6 am on the 12th. Sneakers and socks are encouraged.

Senior Baccalaureate

Seniors, did you miss the first audition for Baccalaureate? Good news, there's still time to share your inspiration. Bring to the **final audition on May 10th at 2:30 pm in room 1413** a song, reading or other uplifting performance that has special meaning for you. We're hoping for a wide variety of talents and expressions. Individual and group performances are welcome. Groups must have at least one senior.

Calling all Junior Parents - Traditionally parents of juniors provide cases of bottled water and homemade cookies for the IHS Senior Baccalaureate event. This year's event will take place on Saturday, June 9th at 11:00 a.m. We have a good start on our donations but are still looking for seven volunteers to provide 4 dozen cookies each (preferably homemade). We are also looking for six volunteers to hand out programs and set up and monitor the refreshment tables. If you are willing to donate cookies and/or your time, please contact Margaret Klomp margklomp@aol.com or Sandy Ruggles sruggles@q.com.

Staff Appreciation Week...Coming Soon

Staff Appreciation Week will be held from May 7-11. We are in the midst of planning three amazing events for the week including a cupcake day on Monday May 7, a staff breakfast on Wednesday May 9, and an Italian luncheon on Friday May 11. If you would like to help and haven't already signed up and received an email from us, please contact the committee. The IHS teachers and staff work so hard on behalf of our students all year long, help us show our appreciation by making these events really special.

Special Olympics

Our Special Olympics Track and Field team participated in the King County Special Olympics Track and Field Invitational on March 22 in Shoreline. All together our team received 25 medals--12 gold, 7 silver, and 5 bronze. Go Eagles! Our team's next track meet will be on May 19. For more information, please contact Sandi Lum, IH PTSA Special Services Liaison and IH Special Olympics parent rep.

Issaquah Schools Foundation (ISF)

Got Lunch?

There's still time to reserve a seat at the table for the Foundation's **14th Annual Nourish Every Mind Luncheon, Thursday May 10 from 11 am – 1 pm at the Issaquah Community Center**. Golden Apple sponsors Microsoft and Swedish have helped underwrite production costs so all guest donations are directed to student centered investments. **Nourish Every Mind** is THE place to be to learn what the Foundation does, how their investments benefit your child and why your help is needed. Contact IH PTSA ISF Liaison Blair Baumer to reserve a seat.

No Time for Lunch ... Give BIG

Not planning to attend the Luncheon? Contribute to our students and schools during the 2nd Annual GiveBIG campaign on May 2nd. GiveBIG is a one day online charitable giving event hosted by the Seattle Foundation. From midnight to 11:59 pm on May 2, any gift made to the Foundation through the Seattle Foundation website will be stretched by GiveBIG sponsors. Use **GiveBIG** to honor a special teacher or boost your support of an ISF program that's near and dear to your heart. Add <u>GiveBIG to ISF on May 2</u> to your bookmarks and remember to participate. Thank you!

Award-a-Palooza

The Foundation celebrated over 60 teachers during **Academic Enrichment Awards Night**, Wednesday, April 25 at the Administration Building. Their award-wining projects represented an \$81,682 Foundation investment our students and schools via Classroom Enrichment and Kateri Brow Grants. Some of the more unique requests ...*Making Music the Ukulele Way* for music teachers at Sunset, Newcastle and Discovery Elementary schools; *Forensic Science materials* for a new class at Issaquah High and *Illuminated Orbiters* for Maywood Middle School science classes. Bravo to our teachers for the vision and dedication to our students. **Click here** to view the Kateri Brow grant list in its entirety. For Classroom Enrichment Grant winners, **click here**.

Have We Got a Deal for You!

Barbara Roser Photography is offering 50% off the value of your sitting if you mention **Issaquah Schools Deal** when booking your appointment. And, the deal gets even better. 100% of your savings will be donated to the Foundation. It's a win-win for everyone. **Click here** to learn more about Barbara Roser Photography or call 425-391-9371. **More Deals** ...Check out the ISF Business Partnership page to view special offers from local merchants. And don't forget Amazon. Add **Shop Amazon for ISF** to your bookmarks. Each time you use it to log onto the Amazon site the Foundation will receive a donation of up to 8% of your purchase.

Donor Dollars at Work

- The Foundation's grant for iPads for special needs students is getting rave reviews. The iPads have numerous applications and in one case, even vocalizes for a student. You can see a video about the iPad program at the *Nourish Every Mind* Luncheon on May 10.
- Recently students at Liberty High School enjoyed a presentation by Facebook employees. Turns out, one of the employees was an ISD graduate who participated in Robotics at Issaquah High—a program funded in part for years by ISF donors.

Dates of Interest

May 4-6		WSPTA Convention
May 7-11		Staff Appreciation Week
May 10	ISF Nourish Every Mind luncheon	
May 11	IH PTSA MeetingIHS Main Office	
	9:00 am	Coffee and Conversation
	9:30 am	Meeting Begins
May 28	Memorial Day—No school	
May 29		5K run