

Welcome to January's PTSA General Membership Meeting (GMM)

Jan. 19, 2024

Please type name in chat for attendance

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In attending IH PTSA GM meetings, all present agree to
video consent and to abide by IH PTSA & WA State PTA
Bylaws & Standards of Conduct.





President

Wendy Maruchek

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Oversees:

- General Membership Meetings
- Board of Directors/Board Meetings
- New to IHS Night
- Curriculum Night
- Monthly Meetings with Principal

The screenshot shows the Issaquah High PTSA website. The left sidebar menu includes: Home, Join Today!, Membership, PTSA Info (highlighted with a blue arrow), Programs & Events, College & Career, Volunteer, and Senior Events. The main content area features a header with the PTSA logo and contact information. Below the header is a calendar for September. The calendar shows events for various days, including a Staff Appreciation Monthly Breakfast on Wednesday, September 7th, and a New Family Connections Coffee on Friday, September 9th. The bottom section contains announcements, including one about New Family Connections at Starbucks and another about ACT/SAT practice exam dates.

Website Header: Welcome Wendy! | Select Language | Admin | Sign out

PTSA - 2.6.45 - 700 2nd Ave S.E. - Issaquah, WA 98027

Calendar (September):

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30

Announcements:

New Family Connections: Issaquah Gilman Starbucks
Join us for coffee at the Issaquah Gilman Starbucks on Friday, Sept. 9, 10:30 am to 12 noon. This is especially for those new to the school or new to the area. Oldtimers will be available to answer questions. Drop in anytime and build some connections! Sponsored by PTSA's [New Family Connections](#).

2022-23 ACT / SAT Practice FALL Exam Dates Available for Registration:
ACT: Sat, Sept 17, 2022; SAT: Sat, Sept 24, 2022.

Agenda and Meeting Documents

Available at www.issaquahhighptsa.org

-Go to PTSA Info (left sidebar menu)

-Select Meetings and Records

-Must be a PTSA member to view documents

Not a member? Join at www.tinyurl.com/ihptsaJoin

Agenda

- Consent Agenda

- Nov. GMM Minutes
- Nov., Dec. Financial Reports

- President's Thank Yous

- Business:

- Nominating Committee

- Guest Speaker

- Lindsay Eberhardt (IHS College and Career Center)
- Will Buker (Assistant Principal)

- Committee Updates & Announcements



Linda Stone - Secretary
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Secretary's Report

[Consent Agenda:](#)

Nov. Minutes

Oversees Awards Chair :
Shamitha Sridharan



Treasurer's Report

[Consent Agenda:](#)

Nov., Dec. Financial Reports

Erin Eaton - Treasurer Pauline Tamblyn - Asst Treasurer
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Our guest speaker today is:

Lindsay Eberhardt
IHS College and Career Center
@ 11:15 AM



Will Buker
Assistant Principal
@ 11:45 AM



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- If you have a question, type it into chat or put in chat that you would like to speak.

College & Career Center Services

- Common App / College Application Questions
- College Essay Support
- College Search / Programs
- Tech School and Apprenticeship Information
- Volunteer Opportunities and Information
- Scholarships / Financial Aid
- Field Trips and Events
- WAGAP
- Resume Support and Interview Prep
- Xello/HSBP- requirement to graduate

Upcoming CCC Events

Grades 9-12 • ISD Students Only

GREAT CAREERS -EXPO-

February 9, 2024
- Field Trip Form due Jan. 26 -
Renton Technical College

PRIZE GIVEAWAY!

Tour Renton Tech and connect with professionals and exhibitors in select career pathways representing certificated & apprenticeship programs, military, & 2-year college programs.

SCHEDULE:
LHS & SHS: Morning Session
GEHS & IHS: Afternoon Session

www.isd411.org/cte/great-careers

FORMS HERE: 



IHS COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER
PRESENTS



CAREER FAIR 2024

 **February 29, 2024**

 **BOTH LUNCHES**

 **IHS Upper Commons**



US Navy - Cement Masons and Plasterers Local 528
Shoreline CC Automotive Program - Lake Washington Tech
US Coast Guard - Marine Corps - Army - Bellevue College - UW Housing & Food Services - Puget Sound
Electrical Apprenticeship - Pedalheads Bike Camp
Oregon Tech - Eastside Fire & Rescue - AND MORE

More

@ihscollegeandcareer 

Information: ihscollegeandcareer@issaquah.wednet.edu

Follow Us for Important Updates

- @ihscollegeandcareer



Thank You

Thank you to our Volunteers!

Staff Appreciation Breakfasts

(Dec. 6, Jan. 7)



Larke Witten, Karen Montgomery, Ali Spietz, Laurie Bateman, Katie Bell, Wendy Maruchek, Qun Pan, Jaimi Messmer, Sharon Heuchert, Lisa Korst, Jyothy Praveen, Amy Stromberg, Renuka D'Souza, Benjamin Hennig, Julie Carr, Jean Shan, Catherine Noble, Hollie Walcott, Kristin Bendt, Tanya Orlando, Valentina Bello, Maria Graham, Sydney Chang, Linda Stone,

VPs of Hospitality

Qun Pan & Chandana Prattipati





Volunteer Opportunities 2023-24

Nominating Committee

Shadow for Grants Chairperson

Staff Breakfast Chairperson

Staff Appreciation Week Chairperson

Issaquah Schools Foundation Rep

Parent *Wiser* Helper

Contact issaquahhighpts@gmail.com
for more details

Nominating Committee for 2024-25 PTSA Board



The committee is an elected position,
ideally in January, definitely by February.

Jan to March commitment

Gather names

Email/talk with people if they would
consider a board position

Contact issaquahhighptsa@gmail.com
for more details



Senior Events
Volunteer Opportunities 2023-24

Senior Farewell Co-chairs
& committee members

Contact IHPTSAEvents@gmail.com
for more details

Potential Committee Updates



Director of Membership

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Current membership numbers

(as of 1/18/24)

558 Family

90 Individual

29 Students

126 Staff

total current members: 825

Membership goal for 2023-24

900 total members

100% Staff Membership



Director of Advocacy

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Oversees:

- Legislative Assembly
- Focus Day
- Action Alerts

WSPTA Legislative Assembly Update

Top 5 Legislative Priorities for 2023-2024

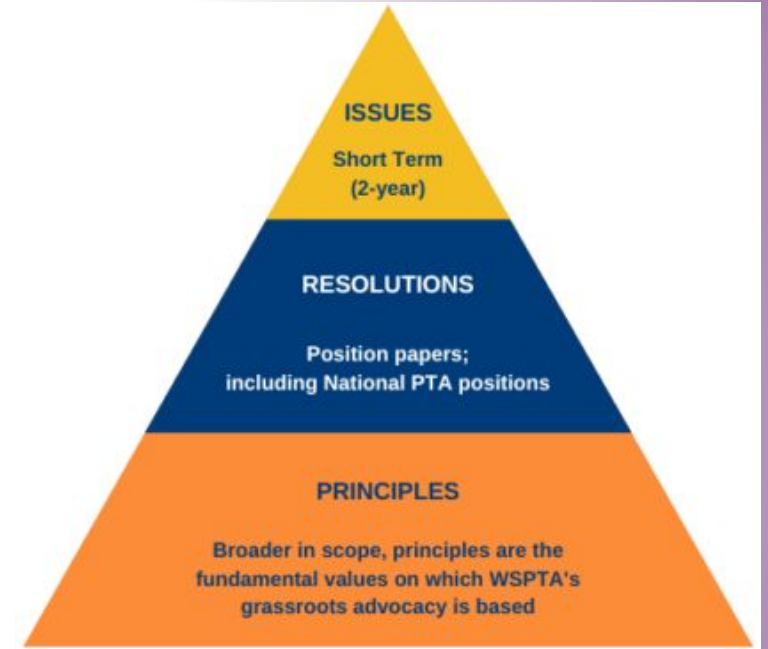
Addressing the Student Mental Health Crisis

Addressing Critical Gaps in Education Funding

Preventing and Reducing Gun Violence and Suicide

Addressing Funding, Inclusion, and Supports in Special Education

Building and Maintaining Safer School Facilities



<https://www.wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/>

Subscribe WSPTA's [Action Network Group](#) to receive legislative action alerts.

Focus on Advocacy Day: Jan. 15, 2024 (in Olympia)

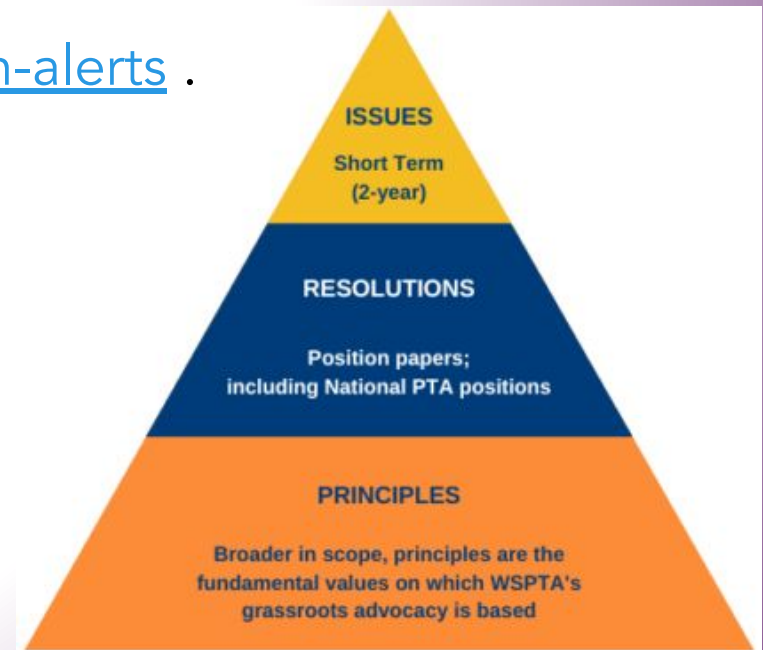
Julie Carr rjdcarr@aol.com

WSPTA Alerts

WA PTA advocates for legislation at the state level to improve education and child well being in our state. Members are encouraged to reach out to local legislators to share your support for changes to state law and policy.

Alerts can be found at

<https://www.wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/action-alerts> .



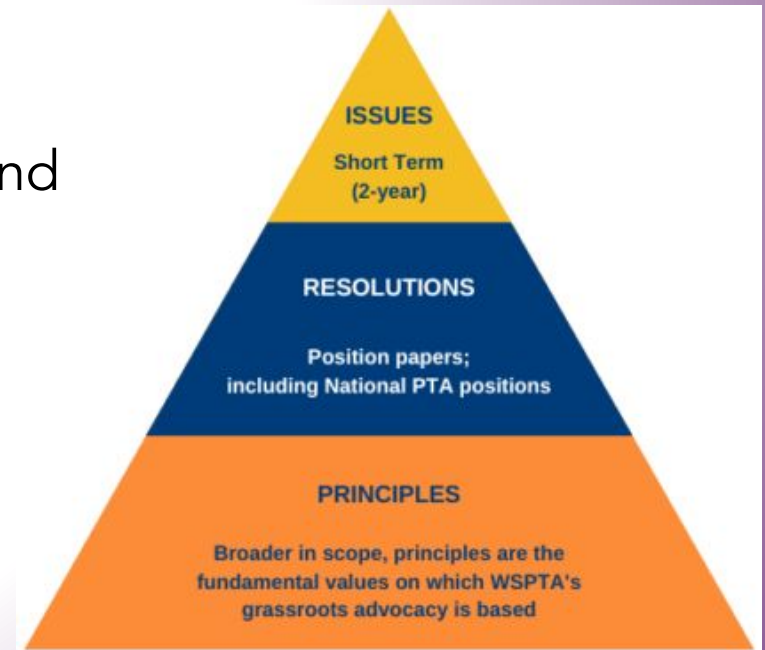
WSPTA Request for Action

"In Washington, suicide (primarily by firearm) is now the leading cause of death for youths ages 1-24, killing more than 150 children per year. This is unacceptable. It is long past time to act." Send a message to your state Rep and state Senator using the message sender tool at

<https://www.wastatepta.org/focus-areas/advocacy/action-alerts/?vvsrsrc=%2fCampaigns%2f110388%2fRespond%3fvvsrsrc%3dBxmu5A4mAC08aA65gOd7BAA> .

The "message body" shares a template message you can review and send or customize. A one page info sheet about Preventing and Reducing Gun Violence and Suicide can be found at

<https://bit.ly/3RUmP8d> .



Staff Pancake Breakfast (Feb. 14, 2024)



We would love to have more dads, uncles, and grandpas involved with PTSA.
Consider signing up to treat the staff.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054AA8A922A3FC1-46178577-ihsstaff#/>



Co-VPs Events

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Oversees:

- New to IHS Night
- Picture Day/Laptop Checkout
- Textbook Checkout
- Senior Events
 - Senior Farewell/Celebration
 - Senior Breakfast
 - Senior All-Night Grad Party



2024 Senior Yard Signs (\$25)

On sale until Feb. 1, 2024

www.issaquahhighptsa.org

Scholarships at IHPTSAFamilyResources@gmail.com

class of 2024

Senior Farewell
7 PM, Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Free PTSA Event for Seniors, Family, and Friends

30-minute program at IHS Gym
followed by a cookie reception at Commons

This is the BEST time to take photos of
your senior and their friends in cap & gown

www.issaquahhighptsa.org





2024 Senior All-Night Grad Party

Early bird \$175

Tickets on-sale at
www.issaquahhighptsa.org

Night of Graduation
(Monday, June 17, 2024)

Scholarships at
IHPTSAFamilyResources@gmail.com

IHS Class of 2024
PTSA Communications Groups

WhatsApp:

<http://tinyurl.com/IHPTSA SeniorWhatsApp>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/570048775029064>

Remember to **scroll down and answer the membership questions** otherwise FB will automatically decline your join request.





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Oversees:

- College and Career Hospitality
- Staff Back-to-School Lunch
- Staff Monthly Breakfasts
- Staff Appreciation Week



February 7 Breakfast Sign-up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054AA8A922A3FC1-47008233-ihsstaff#/>

From 2023 Fall Staff Survey

"Whenever someone makes coffee cake, I know it will be a good day."



Co-VP's Outreach

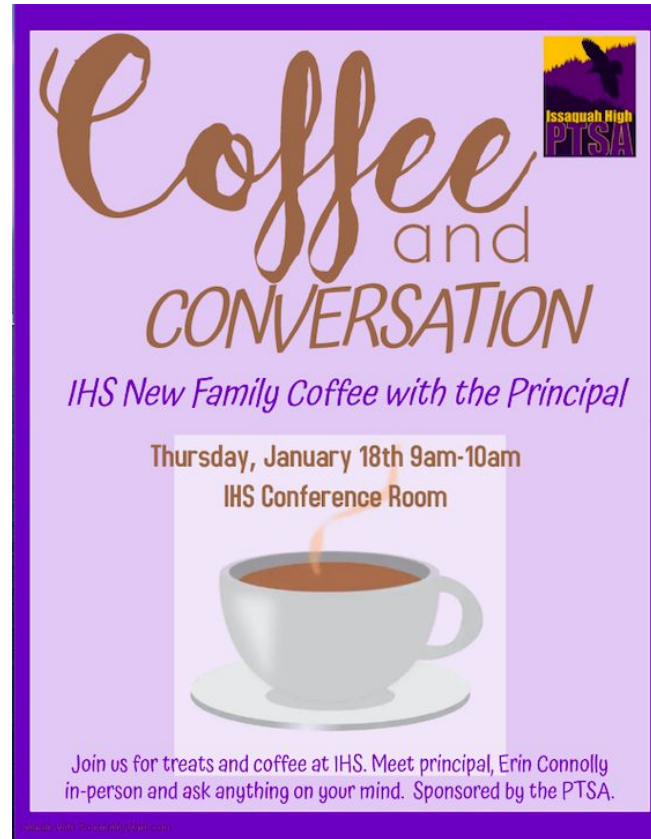
Angela Dahrea
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Oversees:

- Angel Program
- Ask an Academic Advisor Night
- Family & Community Engagement (FACE)
- Healthy Students
- New Family Connections
- Parent *Wiser* Education
- Red Safety Backpacks

New Family Connections



January 18 - Coffee with the Principal (will be rescheduled)

ParentWiser: The Parent Compass (Feb. 7)



ParentWiser brings the latest research and educational information into the homes of our student families to support parents in raising thriving individuals. We are made possible by a partnership with the Issaquah School District PTSA and Issaquah Schools Foundation.

2023-2024 EVENTS

10/3 at 6pm

Virtual

Phyllis L Fagell, LCPC
Middle School Matters

11/6 at 7pm

Virtual

Lisa L Lewis, MS
The Importance of Sleep

1/16 at 7pm

In-Person

Jenni Pertuset
Relieving Frustration

2/7 at 7pm

In-Person

Cynthia Clumeck Muchnick, M.A.
*The Parent Compass: Practical Steps
to Navigate the Adolescent Years*

3/7 at 6pm

Virtual

Terri Bacow, Ph.D
Goodbye, Anxiety

Registration for this
in-person event will
appear at

www.parentwiser.org

Angel Program



CONFIDENTIAL

IH PTSA Angel Closet is a safe place for students to "shop," located at IHS, in a private office area. Periodically, students may find toiletries, personal care items, weekend food packs, booster wear, coats, jeans, and more.

Need HELP?

Contact your counselor or PTSA.
Questions? Email IHSAngelProgram@gmail.com.
Attendance Office coordinates and follows up with families and Angel Program.

www.tinyurl.com/ihptsaAngelProgram

Karissa Mobilia & Julie Gamble - Co-Chairs

PTSA's Angel Program



Sign up for the 2024 Spring
Angel Program's PowerPacks
(Food & Toiletries)



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084AAEAC22A31-47306161-weekly>

Angel Program Webpage

www.tinyurl.com/ihptsaAngelProgram



Co- VP's Programs

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Oversees:

- College & Career Planning
 - SAT/ACT Saturday Practices
 - Webinars
- Community Service Honor Cords
- Grants
- Reflection Art Competition
- Senior Scholarships

SAT / ACT Practice Tests

Winter Practice Exam Dates

Registration Deadlines

SAT - closed

ACT - Sunday, January 21

SAT - Saturday, January 20, 2024

ACT - Saturday, January 27, 2024 (rescheduled from Jan. 13)

Scores Back Session - Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Register here: [ACT/SAT Practice Tests](#)

Questions: ihptsaccp@gmail.com

College & Career Planning Webinars

Series of speaker events and webinars. Stay tuned for 2023-24 line-up.

Find recordings of past webinars here:
[College & Career Planning Webinars](#)

Questions: ihptsaccp@gmail.com



Visit the [IHS College & Career Center](#)
for many more resources.

Community Service Honor Cords Big Heart Community Service Program

Awarded to seniors who have documented 100+ volunteer hours throughout their high school years.

Recognized with a special cord at graduation

Seniors - Hours due by May 1

Find info and student report hours here: [Community Service](#)

Questions: issyhighcommunityservice@gmail.com



Grants

PTSA runs three grant cycles a year - fall, winter and spring. Open to staff, students and parents!

Winter grant cycle closed January 12. To be voted on at February 9 GMM.

Next Due Date: April 19, 2024

Find dates, guidelines and more here: [IH PTSA Grants](#)

Questions: ihptsagrants@gmail.com



Reflections Art Recognition

National PTA program where students submit original work reflecting on the theme in six categories.

Reflections Reception and Gallery

January 25, 2024

6:30 - 8:00pm

Issaquah High School

**I am
Hopeful
Because...**

Explore the arts and
express yourself!

Learn more here: [Reflections](#)
Questions: reflectionsihpts@gmail.com

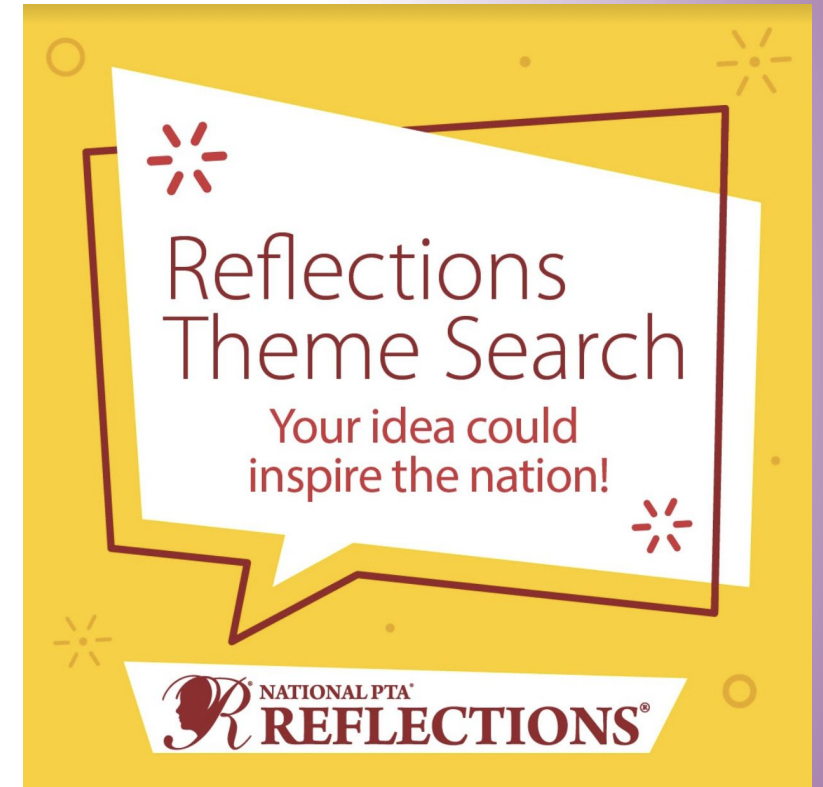


Reflections Theme Search

Advancing to Nationals:

Anya Pimkina, 9th grade
"I come from..."

One of five Washington entries advancing to the National PTA Theme Search 2025-26. National PTA will choose a winner in Spring 2024.



Learn more here: [Reflections](#)

Senior Scholarships

Five \$1000 scholarships offered towards continuing education technical/vocational pursuits, two-year and four-year colleges/universities.

Application Deadline: April 15, 2024

Interested in being on committee?

Learn more here: [Senior Scholarships](#)

Questions: ihptsascholarships@gmail.com



Washington State PTA Programs

Essay Contest - Deadline February 15, 2024

Learn details here: [WSPTA Essay Contest](#)

\$2500 Scholarship Program - Deadline February 15, 2024

Find details here: [Scholarship Program - WSPTA](#)



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Oversees:

- IH PTSA Weekly Bulletin
- IH PTSA Signage, I-Vision Coordinators
- IH PTSA Social Media Coordinators
- IH PTSA Website
- ISD & IHS Peachjar eFlyers
- IHS Special Features
- IHS Staff Bios & Photos

FOLLOW US

<https://www.facebook.com/IssaquahHighPTSA/>

<https://twitter.com/ihptsa>

<https://www.instagram.com/ihptsa/>



Follow, join, & support YOUR Students and Teachers through PTSA


中文 WeChat (Mandarin) & Español WhatsApp
Contact Maggie Ge, VP of Communications

Other General Announcements



[Date Change - Feb. 4 - Deadline for official SAT registration at IHS on March 13](#)

Issaquah Schools Foundation



Issaquah Schools Foundation

NOURISH
EVERY MIND

SAVE THE DATE

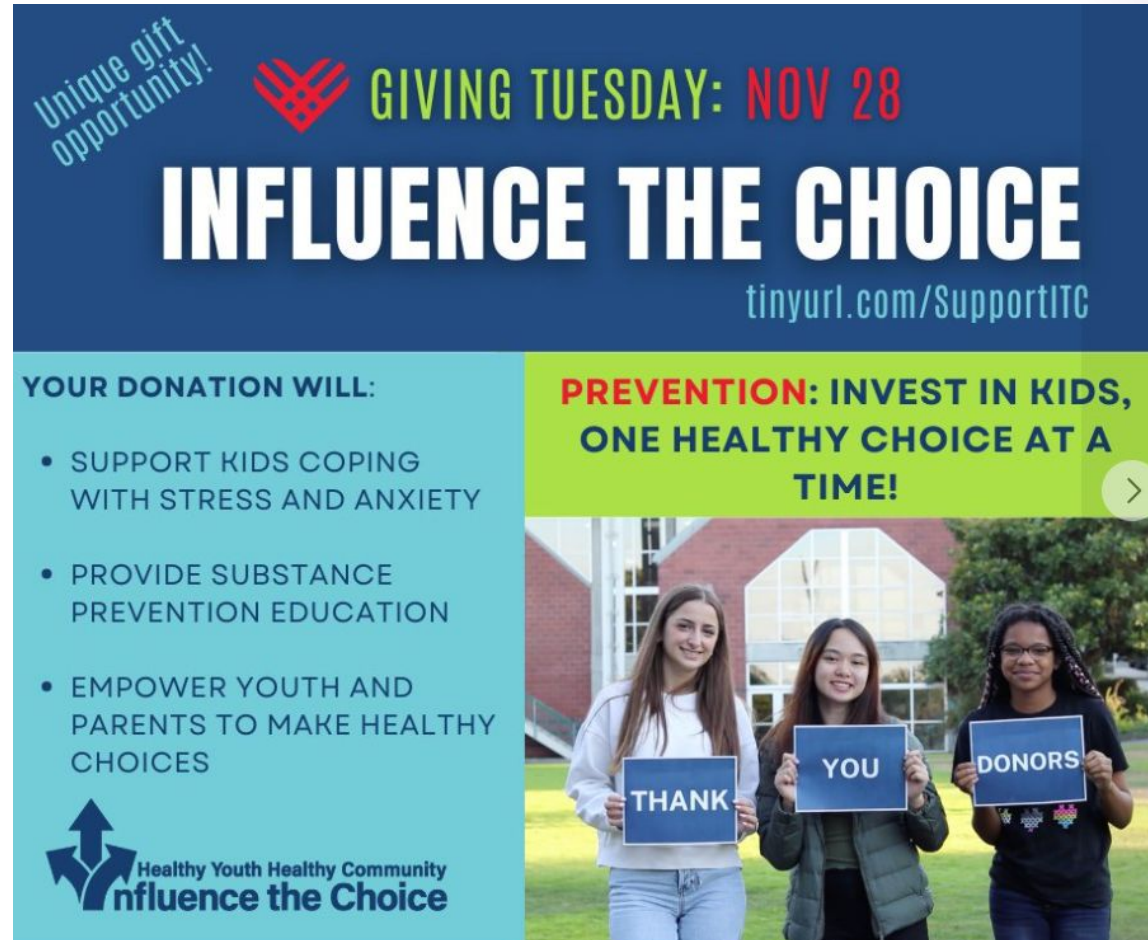
**2024 Nourish Every Mind
Student Showcase**

Fuel Innovation & Student Success
Thursday, March 28th | Issaquah Community Center
Program: 12 –1 PM, Doors Open at 11 AM


During this 1-hour event, we invite you to reconnect over a complimentary lunch with friends as students share how your Foundation support fuels innovation and student success in our schools.

PTSA supports the *Issaquah Schools Foundation*. Email issaquahhighptsa@gmail.com to sit at an IHS table on March 28

Influence the Choice



Unique gift opportunity!


 **GIVING TUESDAY: NOV 28**

INFLUENCE THE CHOICE


tinyurl.com/SupportITC

YOUR DONATION WILL:

- SUPPORT KIDS COPING WITH STRESS AND ANXIETY
- PROVIDE SUBSTANCE PREVENTION EDUCATION
- EMPOWER YOUTH AND PARENTS TO MAKE HEALTHY CHOICES

 **Healthy Youth Healthy Community**
nfluence the Choice

PREVENTION: INVEST IN KIDS, ONE HEALTHY CHOICE AT A TIME!



PTSA supports *Influence the Choice*.

We would love a parent rep for Influence the Choice.

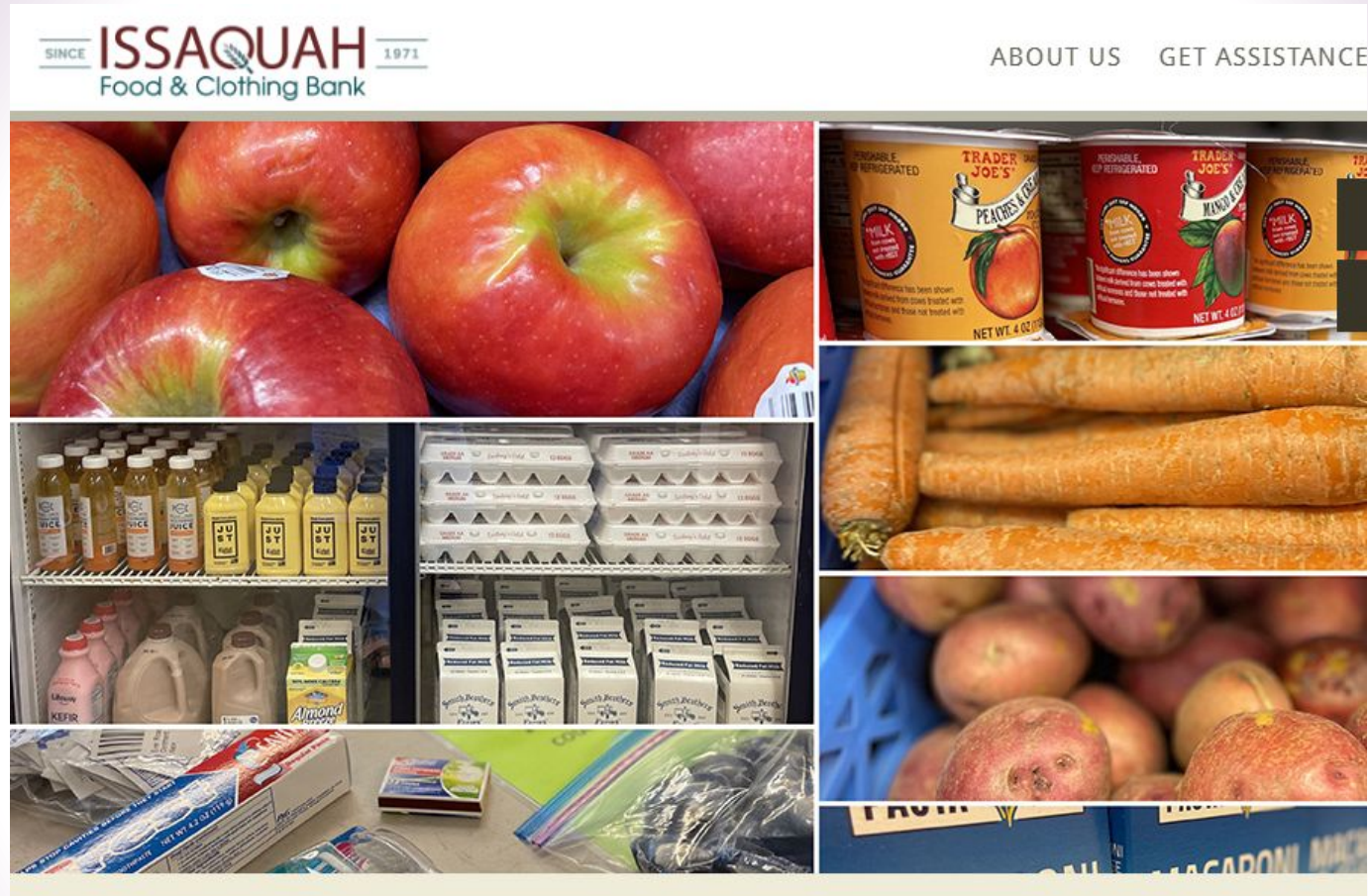
<https://www.influencethechoice.org/>

The Garage - A Teen Cafe



PTSA supports *The Garage - A Teen Cafe* within walking distance of IHS
issaquahteencafe.org

Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank



PTSA supports *Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank*.

[Gift Card Donation \(IHS\)](#)

<https://issaquahfoodbank.org/>

WhatsApp Group (not PTSA)



WhatsApp is a group texting app.
You can ask questions in the group.

Interested? Fill out the form to be added to the group.

<https://bit.ly/IHS-Whatsapp>



IHS

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

Four separate but complementary organizations that enrich the Issaquah High School experience for your student and family.



IH PTSA

Issaquah High Parent-Teacher-Student Association

A 501(c)(3) non-profit member organization dedicated to promoting the education, health, welfare, and safety of all students at IHS. IH PTSA focuses on programs that directly impact student learning.

Representative Programs:

- Angel Student Assistance
- College and Career Planning
- Healthy Students
- Grants
- New Family Connections
- Reflections Art Contest
- Senior Events
- Staff Appreciation
- Teacher Classroom Funds

Primary Fundraiser:

Annual Pass-the-Hat Campaign

issaquahhighptsa.org

ASB

Associated Student Body

A student-run organization that supports the IHS student body, focusing on extracurricular clubs, school spirit, and school activities that are cultural, athletic, recreational, or social in nature.

Primary Focus:

- Student Recognition
- All-School Assemblies
- Dances
- After-School Activities
- Spirit Days & Theme Weeks
- Charitable Projects

Primary Fundraiser:

Membership Fees

[issaquahhigh.isd411.org/
student-life/activities](http://issaquahhigh.isd411.org/student-life/activities)

IHS Boosters

Issaquah High Booster Club

A non-profit, fundraising organization that supports and enriches the extra-curricular high school experience for our kids while they attend Issaquah High School.

Primary Focus:

- Financial Support for ALL Extracurricular IHS activities
- Student/Program Recognition: BoosterBuzz, Scholar Athlete Awards, Another Eagle is Going to State Signs
- Sports & Senior Scholarships
- Program Grants

Primary Fundraisers:

Membership Fees
Issaquah High Logo-Wear Sales
Annual Fundraising Events
Outdoor / Indoor Concessions

ihsboosters.org

Issaquah Schools Foundation

Issaquah Schools Foundation

A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides district-wide programs that support opportunities for every student in every school.

Representative Programs:

- After School Academic Support
- Backpack & Supplies for Students in Need
- Cultural Bridges
- Fine Arts Funding
- Food Aid
- Robotics and STEM Clubs
- Teacher Grants
- TEALS Program Support

Primary Fundraisers:

All in for Kids Campaign (Fall)
Nourish Every Mind Breakfast and Luncheon (Spring)

isfdn.org

Upcoming Events

UPCOMING Events

- [Jan. 20, SAT Practice Exam](#)
- Jan. 25 - District PTSA Reflections Reception and Art Gallery at IHS.
- Jan. 26, Teacher's Work Day, no school
- [Jan. 27, ACT Practice Exam](#) (rescheduled)
- Jan. 31, PTSA Board Meeting
- Jan. 31, PTSA's scoresback for ACT/SAT

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Questions? Email
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Upcoming Events

- [Feb. 1, Senior Yard Sign Purchase Deadline](#)
- [Feb. 4 - Deadline for official SAT at IHS on March 13](#)
- [Feb. 7 - Staff Appreciation Breakfast](#)
- Feb. 9 , next PTSA General Meeting
- [Feb. 14 - "Men in Aprons" Staff Pancake](#)

Save-the-Dates

- June 11, 7 PM, PTSA's Senior Farewell
- June 12, PTSA's Senior Breakfast
- June 12, IHS Mandatory Graduation Practice
- June 17, IHS Graduation @ T-Mobile Park

Thank you for
joining us
today!

Next General Membership Meeting

Friday, Feb. 9

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Hybrid:

Zoom and IHS Conference Room

Guest : Principal Connolly

