
Newsletter for April 2017

NEW BOARD ELECTED

We are pleased to announce CEPTSA's board members for the 2017-2018 school year voted in at our General Membership Meeting in March:

Celeste Rothlisberger – President (currently serving as Vice President)

Sara Balsley – Vice President

Erin Wallace – Treasurer (currently serving as Treasurer)

Salwa Raphael - Secretary

Thank you to these candidates for stepping up! We also extend so much gratitude to **Louise Derksen**, our current secretary, and **Ormezinda Brown-Maki**, our current President, who will not be returning to the board next year. Both of these women have made a big impact in our school community with their time and efforts. We can't thank them enough for all of their contributions. Thank you also to our Board Nominating Committee for supporting this process.

NO HASSLE FUNDRAISER UPDATE

We did it! In the fall, CEPTSA launched a No Hassle Fundraiser to cover our operating budget of **\$3800** for the 2016-2017 school year. Instead of asking people to buy/sell things, we asked families contribute what they could in donations with a suggested amount of \$50 per family. Through your generosity and the utilization of company matching programs, we have reached our goal. These funds support social events, teacher grants, scholarships for field trips, 5th grade recognition, and so much more. THANK YOU to all who donated to our school community!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We are currently at **93%** of our membership goal for this school year, and we can reach our goal with just 12 additional individual memberships OR 6 more family memberships. Have you joined yet? See the member benefits info linked at the end of this newsletter and consider joining today at www.ceptsa.com.

A WORD OF THANKS – TALENT SHOW & SPRING DANCE

CEPTSA offers a standing ovation for all of those who volunteered with the #throwback Talent Show and the Enchantment Under the Sea Dance in March. Both events were a success, and we couldn't have done it without so many helping hands. We also appreciate the many people who showed their support through attending and purchasing concessions (The FACE committee was able to raise \$59. Thank you!). We especially applaud **Myriah Heuberger**, **Kelsey Cox**, **Sarah Wilson**, and **Kristin Nelson**, who led these programs. Their efforts made a huge impact in bringing our community together for two memorable evenings.

STEM NIGHT/SCIENCE FAIR – THURSDAY, APRIL 6th

Families are welcome to come enjoy CE's Science Fair & STEM night in the MPR, gym, and throughout the 5th grade wing from 5pm to 7pm. There will be activities for all! CEPTSA also will be thanking our amazing staff for their hard work with this event by coordinating a Mexican themed dinner that evening. Thank you to all of the volunteers who are donating food, especially Staff Appreciation Chair **Celeste Rothlisberger** for coordinating the dinner.

YEARBOOK

Fifth grade baby photos for the yearbook are due **Friday, April 7th**. Yearbook ordering will take place from **April 17th through May 5th**. There were no pre-orders in the fall, so this will be the only time to order. Questions can be directed to carnationyearbook@outlook.com.



Important Dates

Tuesday, April 4th

5th Grade Parent Information Night at Tolt Middle School, 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 5th

Cookie Dough Fundraiser Pick Up, 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM At School
Riverview PTSA Council General Membership Meeting, 6 PM at ESC
District Coral Festival, 7 PM at ESC

Thursday, April 6th

Kindergarten Registration Packets Due
STEM Fair, 5 PM – 7 PM

Friday, April 7th

5th Grade Baby Photos Due
Early Dismissal at 2 PM
Spring Read-A-Thon Begins

Spring Break, April 10th - 14th

Monday, April 17th

Yearbook Ordering Begins

Tuesday, April 18th

Tolt Multi-Age Program 5th Grade Parent Information Night, 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Friday April 21st

Tolt Multi-Age Program Applications Due
Early Dismissal at 2 PM

Tuesday, April 25th

School Board Meeting, 7 PM at ESC

Thursday, April 27th

Kindergarten & 1st Grade Musical, 6:30 PM in MPR

Friday, April 28th

Walkathon in AM
Family Picnic Lunch
Early Dismissal at 2 PM
Spring Read-A-Thon Ends

WALKATHON – FRIDAY, APRIL 28th

This year, the CEPTSA Walkathon will be raise funds to support an **All Art Day** at CE on June 15th. All Art Days in our district are opportunities to have artists and art educators come to school and spend the day supporting kids with projects to celebrate art. More details about the Walkathon and the All Art Day will be coming home soon. We also thank our community partners, **CrossFit Big Rock** and **The Linnerooth Team Windermere Real Estate**, for sponsoring staff laps. We are still welcoming additional community sponsors. Contact **Celeste Rothlisberger** at crothlis@outlook.com for details.

EARNING CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL WITH YOUR REGULAR PURCHASES

Box Tops & IGA

Box Tops earnings thus far this year total **\$378.78**. You can still send in Box Tops and IGA receipts. Please cut box tops along dotted lines. Plus, you can also now scan Box Tops via the free Box Tops Bonus App. No more clipping needed, AND it stretches the value even further. Try it out today: <http://www.boxtops4education.com/bonusapp>

Amazon Smile – Amazon Smile contributions thus far total **\$163.76**. At <https://smile.amazon.com>, type in "Carnation Elementary P T S A King County 2-16-5" as your charity, and CEPTSA will earn a percentage of the sale. It really makes a difference!

Everything Party – When shopping at their Redmond location, mention CEPTSA at check out, and a portion of the proceeds will come back to our school.

VOLUNTEER UPDATES – Contact: Tara Bergman, tara@iphid.com

Looking for a way to pitch in? Join our monthly Volunteer News email list. No commitments required. Looky Lous welcome!

CPA Tax Help - CEPTSA is looking for a CPA to assist with tax preparation **this summer**. Our year runs July 1st – June 30th, and our taxes are due in the fall, so this would be offset from the normal tax season. Plus, it should only take about two hours.

Staff Appreciation Week, May 1st through May 5th – Contact: Celeste Rothlisberger, crothlis@outlook.com

We are beginning to plan for Staff Appreciation Week and would love your support. Contact Celeste to learn about the preparations that are underway and volunteer opportunities available.

FACE Committee - Contact: CarnationElementaryFACE@gmail.com

The Family and Community Engagement Committee's goal for the 2017/18 school year is: "To support and encourage families and community members to be involved and engaged in Carnation Elementary." Thank you to Megan Schneider for volunteering to coordinate incoming kindergartener playdates (May – September, 2017). If you'd like to learn more about these playdates or would like to get involved with FACE, contact the email above. Ideas, suggestions and offers to help are always welcome!

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Carnation Elementary Related

CEPTSA Website: www.CEPTSA.com

CEPTSA on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CEPTSA/>

Carnation Elementary Website: www.ce.riverview.wednet.edu

Carnation Elementary ASB Blog: <http://carnationasb.edublogs.org/>

Riverview School District Related

Riverview School District Website: www.riverview.wednet.edu

Riverview School District on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Riverview-School-District-124875444332490>

Riverview School District on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/Riverview407>

Riverview PTSA Council Website: <http://riverviewptsacouncil.my-pta.org/>

Riverview PTSA Council on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/riverviewptsacouncil/>

PTSA Membership Benefits

WA State PTA: http://www.wastatepta.org/member/value_benefit/value_benefit.html

National PTA: <http://www.pta.org/benefits>

Have a question, comment or idea? Reach out to a board member today!

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