
Newsletter for December 2016

WA STATE PTA MEMBERSHIP CONTEST- Contact: Tara Bergman, tara@iphid.com

From Nov. 17th through Dec. 15th, every member enrolled in a WA state affiliated PTA will be entered into a drawing for a one-night stay at the Great Wolf Lodge! Existing members who give a membership during this timeframe can also enter themselves in the drawing. You can join CEPTSA today at www.ceptsa.com and/or download a membership form to gift a membership. THANK YOU to all who have already joined! We are currently at **80%** of our membership goal for this year, and we can reach our goal with just 34 additional individual memberships OR 17 more family memberships. Have you joined yet?

NO HASSLE FUNDRAISER – Ormezinda Brown-Maki, ormezindab@hotmail.com

We are just **\$500** away from reaching on our fundraising goal of **\$3800**. THANK YOU to all who have donated! Rather than ask you to sell/buy things to raise money for CEPTSA, we ask each family to make a flat contribution (ideally \$50) to cover our budget and support CEPTSA projects throughout the year. If 10 more families make that \$50 contribution, we can meet our goal and have the funding we need for our programs. We are a non-profit, and all of your donations are tax deductible and eligible for company matching. So please do your part by making a donation of any size today. You can send in a check marked "CEPTSA Donation" to the school office or donate online at www.ceptsa.com.

REFLECTIONS ART COMPETITION - Contact: Tara Bergman, tara@iphid.com

We celebrated 77 entries based on the theme "What Is Your Story?" and the amazing artists who created them at our Awards Gala on Nov. 18th. From this group, 24 pieces are advancing to the Riverview PTSA Council competition, and their Awards Gala will take place on Friday, Jan. 6th at the ESC in Duvall. CEPTSA congratulates all of our participants and offers special recognition to these advancing students: Joshua Collinwood, Maile Salois, Aeden Peterson, Ella Ward, Hazel Green, Myles Mason, Riley Grant, Kaylee Scott, Benjamin Glover, Jonah Stchur, Jackson Heckert, Alexa Weisgerber, Jack Clare, Samuel Innis, Emuna McCurdy, Wes Bergman, Norah Barr, Lara Glover.

Special thanks to our Reflections community partners: Blake's Pizzeria & Ice Cream, Jonny Kettle Corn, EF Print, Olympic Ribbons, Riverview PTSA Council and the wonderful staff at Carnation Elementary!

YEARBOOK COVER ART CONTEST - Contact: Sara Balsley, sarabalsley@hotmail.com

Fifth graders were invited to enter original artwork to be considered for the cover of the yearbook, and we received 18 entries! The winner will be announced soon and awarded a free yearbook. NOTE – Yearbooks orders will be accepted in the Spring. No pre-orders are being accepted at this time.

SPIRIT WEAR SALE – Contact Celeste Rothlisberger, crothlis@outlook.com

Ordering ended on Nov. 18th, and items should be delivered the week of Dec 5th – 9th. Stay tuned!

BOARD NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR CANDIDATES

Our Board Nominating Committee is currently accepting candidates to join their efforts. The Board Nominating Committee does not run for board positions. Instead, they help identify and facilitate the process with those who would like to step into elected board positions including President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer for the 2017-2018 school year. If you are interested in joining the Board Nominating Committee or are interested in an elected board position for next school year, contact Tara Bergman at tara@iphid.com.



Important Dates

Monday, December 12th

CEPTSA Board Meeting, 3:45 PM

Tuesday, December 13th

School Board Meeting, 7 PM at ESC
RSD "Opt In" Text Alert System Launch

Friday, December 16th

CE Winter Read-A-Thon Begins
Nominations for Highly Capable
Services Due

Early Release Fridays – 2pm Dismissal

Dec. 2nd, 9th & 16th

Winter Break – No School

Monday, December 19th through
Monday, January 2nd

School resumes Tuesday, January 3rd

CEPTSA warmly wishes all of our CE families a happy holiday season!

CEPTSA Elected Board 2016-2017

President: Ormezinda Brown-Maki
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Vice President: Celeste Rothlisberger
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EARNING CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL WITH YOUR REGULAR PURCHASES

Box Tops & IGA – Contact: **Tess Linder, tplinder@gmail.com**

Send in Box Tops and IGA receipts, and we will convert them to cash for our school. 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 – 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!

A NOTE ABOUT AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES – Contact: Jessica Volpentesta, sonoma879@aol.com

Updated PTSA compliance regulations for our After School Enrichment Program are currently under review. Due to this, there will be a hiatus on scheduling new program sessions at CE. We hope to bring back all your favorites as well as some new offerings soon and ask for your patience during this re-evaluation time. In the meantime, interested parties can enroll for the winter session of Jet's Gymnastics Express at www.jetsgymnasticsexpress.com or by calling 425-883-0349.

CEPTSA VOLUNTEER UPDATES – Contact: Tara Bergman @iphid.com

THANK YOU to the following volunteers who gave their time during a very busy month for CEPTSA:

Reflections Art Program: Tara Bergman, Louise Derksen, Amy Glover, Poppy Studer, Kim Kisslo, Lara McKenzie-Heckert, Becky Reimer, Lauren, Sjavik, Janelle Panoke

Staff Appreciation Dinner: Poppy Studer, Celeste Rothlisberger, Shannon Bennet, Kristin Nelson, Jessica Volpentesta, Tara Bergman, Natalie Gunter, Sarah Wilson, Claire Foster, Janelle Panoke

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

Plus, the Family Bingo & Raffle Night Committee is currently accepting volunteers to help with their event scheduled for Friday, Jan. 27th. This is one of our most well attended events and requires many hands. Currently, we are looking for Raffle Basket Coordinators for the following classrooms: Leone/McCafferty, Eaton, Randall, Hickman, Turchin, Isler, Ghioni. Interested parties can contact Lauren Sjavik at s.lauren@gmail.com.

NOMINATIONS FOR HIGHLY CAPABLE SERVICES WITHIN THE RIVERVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

Nominations are being accepted now through Dec. 16th for students who will be in 3rd through 12th grade for the 2017-2018 school year. Note: 1st graders will automatically be screened in January unless their parents opt out. Questions can be directed to Mary Jacobson at 425-844-4529, jacobsonm@riverview.wednet.edu.

INCLEMENT WEATHER REMINDERS FROM THE RIVERVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tis the season for flooding, wind and snow. You can find information on school closures, late starts and early dismissal procedures at the Riverview School District website listed below. Just click on "Emergency Info" under the District Information tab to see all the resources available. Also, watch for an "opt in" text message being sent by the district to all cell phones on record on Dec. 13th that will allow you to receive updates via text message in the future.

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Carnation Elementary Related

CEPTSA Website: www.CEPTSA.com

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

CEPTSA Reflections Art Program on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CarnationElementaryReflections/>

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>