

Welcome Issaquah PTSA
Council Board, Presidents,
Voting Delegates and
Community Partners

Vice President Report



- Nominating Committee-- Remember to post slate of officers 15 days before your GMM.
- Work with Treasurer to form a Budget Committee for next year.
- Start working on a draft calendar to plan for next year and to schedule with Facilities.
- Last GMM should be voting in 24-25 Board and Budget for next year.

Advocacy

Lauren Bartholomew & Shannon Mayo

2024 WA Legislative Session Wrapped: Want the details of where we landed on WSPTA priority bills? [And that's a wrap! - WSPTA \(wastatepta.org\)](https://www.wastatepta.org)

Contact Us: Advocacy@issaquahptsa.org

On Our Radar:

- ISD Teachers from Apollo, Creekside, IVE and more requesting support for safer classrooms (PBSES Coaches, ISD Policy)
- Request for list/web page of all active ISD Committees

Art Docent

Laurelle Graves & Pauline Tamblyn

Great News! Wise Camps has agreed to continue funding our Art Docent Program yearly!

www.wisecamps.com THANK YOU!



1ST FRIDAY ART LABS
Free Art Docent Classes

NOV. 3	COLORED PENCIL TECH'S
DEC. 1	PRINTMAKING 101
JAN. 5	INTRO TO METAL
FEB. 2	WATERCOLOR TECH
MAR. 1	PORTRAITS
APR. 5	FUN WITH FOAM
MAY. 3	WEAVING
JUN. 7	END OF YEAR WRAP UP

SIGNUP RELEASED MONTHLY

artdocent@issaquahpts.org

📍 ISD Admin Office - 5150 220 Ave SE
Mt Baker Room

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI)

Lovenia Hardin

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Enhancing Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Listen to your communities and communicate effectively

- **Begin by listening.** Learn more about the individuals in your community, their needs and potential opportunities for partnering.
- **Make and maintain contact.** Initiate contact and talk frequently with members of families or community groups.
- **Make communication a two-way, ongoing process.** Frame your message about PTA in ways that relate to the needs and concerns of all of the diverse groups in your community.
- **Honor the diversity of families.** Build relationships one family at a time. Recognize that not all families from any one community are the same. Get to know the needs of individual children and families.
- **Remember that you are always communicating.** What you do and how you do it can speak as loudly as your carefully crafted messages.
- **Use the resources available from National PTA** Resources include PowerPoint presentations, an e-learning course.

Family and Community Engagement

Laura Ni & Melissa Valdez

- Next FACE & DEI meeting, 5/10, 11AM – 1PM at the Circle. (160 NW Gilman Blvd, Suite 326, Issaquah, WA 98027), register: <https://forms.gle/ahU43TerWv4hiGMk7>
- The PTA/PTSA Welcome letter templates will send to all PTA/PTSA by the end of next week.
- ISF Cultural Bridges has funds to support all district schools/PTA/PTSAs Cultural Related family events this year. The sponsorship form: <https://forms.office.com/r/6YDdkvAu5r> , the deadline is March 29. We will open next year's sponsorship in September.
- Cultural Bridges Magazine Number 27 will be available in April online: <https://isfdn.org/cultural-bridges-magazine/>

Membership

Simran Puri

The winners of the Leap into PTA – Founder's Day Challenge



Beaver Lake Middle

In order to qualify for the challenge, PTAs needed to enter 17 or more new members in the month of February. They had 20 PTAs that qualified.

There were 3 winners in total out of those Beaver Lake Middle was from our district.

Membership Growth Awards (Local PTAs) for the month of February:



Grand Ridge PTSA Achieved Silver



Cougar Ridge PTSA Achieved Bronze

Coming next

Spring into Membership: Deadline April 30

All PTAs that have doubled their membership numbers from last year will be entered to win. No application required.

Outreach

Angela Dahrea

Lunch for the Break: Thursday, April 4 from 1pm – 7pm at the Issaquah Food Bank. Registration is required <https://bit.ly/ifcb-lftb-2024-04>

425 Smiles - a FREE Dental Clinic: in partnership with 425 Dental, the University of Washington School of Dentistry and the PMI Dental Hygiene Program on Saturday, April 6, 2024 from 8am - 2pm at 425 Dental - 710 NW Juniper St. #101 Issaquah, WA 98027. For more information about the event, or to make an appointment, please visit <https://425dental.com/smiles-appointment-request/>

Clothing Donation Opportunity: As part of EVP (Enrollment Verification Process) in August, the ISD is planning a Community Resource Fair. Start saving your fall/winter clothes to donate to the Community Resource Fair. More details in the coming weeks.

Angela Dahrea: outreach@issaquahpts.org



Reflections

Angie Warren and Simran Puri



- **WSPTA Reflections honored 7 Issaquah students with one advancing to National PTSA Reflections on March 1.**
 - **Outstanding Interpretation in Photography - Lillian Gee, Grade 2, Cougar Ridge Elementary PTA - "Hello Sunshine"**
- **National PTSA Reflections will announce finalists in April.**
- **2024-2025 Theme: Accepting Imperfection**



Website

Laura Ni

- If you need help to set up surveys or survey results(e.g. PTA Award surveys), please email webmaster@issaquahptsa.org.
- Any questions or updates needed for website, please email webmaster@issaquahptsa.org.
- Issaquah PTSA Council Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/IssaquahPTSACouncil2.6>
- Issaquah PTSA Council Instagram: @issaquahptsacouncil

Council Awards – Laurelle Graves

- Golden Acorn Award Ceremony May 7th, 6:30 – 7:30pm
- Council Awards now open: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/26Q37W9> - EXTENDED UNTIL 3/31/24
- Contact webmaster@issaquahptsd.org to setup survey
- Start soon! Remember to allow 2 weeks for awards to be printed and delivered. Announce winners at school event if possible.

Influence The Choice

Laurelle Graves

ART WITH INFLUENCE CONTEST

- Open to all students in ISD 6-12 grade
- New – Art section –submit 2D artwork
- Contact laurelle@influencethechoice.org

Celebration
Gala May 9th



ITC 12TH ANNUAL VIDEO AND ART PSA CONTEST



\$1000's in Cash Prizes!

ART WITH INFLUENCE!

- Enter 2 minute video OR
- Create a 2D artwork up to 18"x24"
- Earn community service hours
- \$1000 Grand Prize
- email laurelle@influencethechoice.org



DUE 4/14/2024

INFLUENCETHECHOICE.ORG

Issaquah Schools Foundation

Laila Collins

NEM Student Showcase - March 28, 2024 @ ICC

- Our goal is to raise \$385,000 and have 550 attendees
- We'd love every PTSA to have a table
- Awesome Raffle Prize – Dinner with Heather Tow-Yick! Tickets are \$10
- Auction launches after the lunch and closes midnight on April 7th!

2024 Nourish Every Mind Student Showcase

SAVE THE DATE

Fueling Innovation & Student Success

March 28, 2024

Issaquah Community Center

Program: 12 - 1 PM, Doors Open at 11 AM

Issaquah Schools Foundation

NOURISH
EVERY MIND

www.isfdn.org/nourish-every-mind

