



# THE Ram Rock

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

### June is here, and we've got some shoes to fill...

Well the year seems to have flown by: summer is upon us and we are about to wrap up one more school year!

We have several PTA Event and Program Chair positions to fill for 2018-19 school year. This is a great way to get involved in the school by working with other parents, teachers and staff to bring fun events and programs to our school community. Make new friends, too! Some jobs are bigger than others, but many hands make light work. Get a friend and chair an event together!

The following are events that usually take place in the Fall and require some coordinating in late Summer or when school gets started. We need to fill these positions first:

### Afterschool Enrichment Coordinator

This is a year long position that coordinates the afterschool activities and coordinates with school, staff and parents. **We need to fill this position ASAP** as many programs start just a few weeks in to the school year. Could be a shared position.



### Reflection Program

Each year hundreds of thousands of students in preschool through grade 12 create and submit original works in the areas of dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts. The 2018-2019 theme "Heroes Around Me" will spark imagination and creativity in school and at home. **Encourage students to imagine, create and celebrate with Reflections during National Arts & Humanities Month in October.**

For more info: <https://www.wastatepta.org/events-programs/reflections/>

## "HEROES AROUND ME"



Dance

Film

Literature

Music

Photography

Visual Arts

## Walkathon

One of our biggest fundraisers of the year! Walkathon will likely be in late September. **We need two people to coordinate the event**, prizes and fundraising. After all the funds are turned in, the job is done for the year. The previous coordinators are available to guide you through!



## Holiday Food and Gift Drive

**We have one person already signed up, but we need a co-chair.** This program is part of a bigger District wide coordination to provide food and holiday gifts for families in need in our community. Timeframe is **November- mid-December**. If you haven't been involved with this, it really is fun and amazing to see it all come together at the end. Seeing all the schools bring the food they have worked so hard to collect to one place and organize it for the families to come and pick up really gets you in the spirit of the season.



## Student of the Week

**Good position for two to three 1st grade parents to share as it is for 1-3rd graders. Would like to have at least one person continue for two years at least for consistency and to train incoming parents.** Fun job as you get to give awards to the students and get them pumped up for school!

## Watch Dogs

We haven't had this program for a couple of years and would love to see it return. We have a dad who will lead the charge, but now **we need dads, uncles, grandpas, family friends to volunteer for a day. WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads Of Great Students)** is an innovative father involvement, educational initiative of the National Center for Fathering. The program goals are to provide positive male role models for the students, demonstrating by their presence that education is important as well as to provide extra sets of eyes and ears to enhance school security and reduce bullying. For more info: <http://www.fathers.com/WatchDOGS/watch-dogs-faqs/>



## The Works/Lost and Found

**Looking for a second person to help with Lost & Found and coordinating volunteers for The Works.** The Works is a clothing "store" that provides free, high quality, gently used and new children's and teen clothing and hygiene products. Every year, The WORKS serves more than 1,000 Shoreline School District students with basic needs to support success in school.



There are several more positions to fill, but these are positions we need to cover first. If you are interested in helping, please contact **Rachelle Mitchell** at [rcptamember@gmail.com](mailto:rcptamember@gmail.com). *We would love to have these positions filled by the end of the school year. Please let me know if you are interested in at least hearing more by June 15.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are excited to announce the SchoolKidz, Teacher Tailored School supply Kit Program as a simple way for parents to purchase back-to-school supplies. Ordering info will be coming soon. Make sure to place your order during the sale to take advantage of this easy service!



## CAMP CABER UPDATE 2018-2019 FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

By Julia Prosser

Hello Ridgecrest Families. One of the many wonderful opportunities our students have at Ridgecrest is to attend Camp Caber during their 6th grade year. Camp Caber is an overnight camp coordinated and taught by Ridgecrest staff for 6th grade Ridgecrest students held prior to their move to Middle School. Fifth grade families host multiple fundraisers throughout the year to raise money to lower the cost of each student attending. In addition, our incredibly generous PTA provides \$2000 to Camp Caber to fund partial scholarships for families in need, to ensure that every student goes to camp!

Recently we have held two fundraisers and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Students and Parents from **Mr. Steadman's**, **Mrs. Cox's**, **Mrs. Whitney's** and **Mrs. Witzel's** 5th grade classes for providing all the donated items for the **Ice Cream Social** and the **Talent Show concession stand**. We couldn't have done it without you and the many volunteers that worked the events. Thank you for giving us your valuable time dishing out ice cream and toppings, organizing class lists and sending out emails, taking money, selling concessions, setting up and cleaning up and making it all work!

We look forward to seeing Ridgecrest families at our next Event **MOD Monday June 11th at the Lake Forest Park Mod Pizza restaurant**. Please see the "Upcoming Event" section for more details.

Thank you for taking the time to read this lengthy update. We have a lot to celebrate and give thanks for and I wanted to share it with all of you.

Best regards,  
Julia Prosser, Bruce's mom



#### **Ice Cream Social day of Volunteers:**

**Melissa Gates, Jamie Malek, Rachelle Mitchell, Kecia Lee, Mickey Telling, Natalie Batty, Yasuyo Dunnett, Tomoe Yamagata, Susana Guzman, Callie Naholowaa, Ying Huang, Taurence Senn, Yvonne Lin, Evan Sass, Carolyn Ahl, Erin O'Conner, Melissa Somoza, Amy Walgamott, Jason Metcalf-Lindenburger and Elaine Johnson.**

There were even a few parents who just walked up and began helping! Thank you all so much for helping us raise \$1300.

#### **5th grade volunteers:**

**Rylee Telling, Kolemyn Malek, Molly Musquiz, Talla Gates, Lucas Deng, Amelia Batty, Euan Dunnett, Anika Whitehill, Olutomola Bolonduro, Koa Crawford, Sidney Pociwong, Alex Senn, Bruce Prosser, Keegan Sass, Allegra Watson, George Tyvand, Mateo Stevens, Ciaran Stevens, Kenny Somoza, River Walgamott and Isaac Lee.**

It's great to see so many students want to help and invest their time volunteering. Everyone wins!

#### **Talent Show Concession Stand Volunteers:**

**Rachelle Mitchell, Melissa Gates, Sunam Ellis, Amy Walgamott, Thea DeYoung, Yasuyo Dunnett, Stacey Chestnut, Elaine Johnson and Jason Metcalf-Lindenburger.**

#### **5th grade volunteers:**

**Bria Metcalf-Lindenburger (baker), River Walgamott, Isaac Lee, Oscar Crisafulli, Euan Dunnett, Lucas Dang, Ellie Krawczyk and Melat Wolu.**

Thank you all for helping us raise \$750! (I apologize if I missed anyone or misspelled anyone's name.)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Meet our  
new principal  
at

### TASTE OF RIDGECREST multi-cultural family event



**When:** Friday, June 15th

**Time:** 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Where:** Ridgecrest Elementary Playground  
(weather permitting)

This annual celebration of our diverse heritage is made possible by **YOU!**

Prepare a dish (just as you would for your family) and bring it to school to share. We'll sample flavors from around the world — but made right next door. *NO DROP-OFFS. PLEASE ACCOMPANY YOUR STUDENT(S)*

**Don't forget register at Perfect Potluck:**

<https://www.PerfectPotluck.com/OCXY4674>

Or search: **RIDGECREST** with the event password: **TASTE**

## MOD MONDAY

**When:** Monday, June 11th

**Time:** 10:30 am - 10:00 pm

**Where:** Lake Forest Park Mod Pizza Restaurant  
17171 Bothell Way NE, Suite A004  
Lake Forest Park, WA 98155



With the help of the Ridgecrest PTA, the 5th graders are hosting our first ever MOD Monday. Come anytime during the day and **show a printed or digital version of the fundraising flier to the cashier and MOD will donate 20% of the sale proceeds (before tax) to Ridgecrest PTA for Camp Caber 2019.** You can make copies and share them with coworkers, family, neighbors and friends. Anyone can come and help us raise money, plus someone else gets to do the cooking! Again, you must show a printed or digital version of the fundraising flier to the cashier in order for the donation to be made, just mentioning the fundraiser will not work. Must be an instore purchase

to qualify, online orders will not be counted towards our fundraiser. Fliers will be coming home soon in the student boomerangs if you didn't get one at the talent show, and here is the digital version of the flier for your smartphones.

[http://ridgecrestpta.org/Doc/FundRaising/MOD%20Pizza%20Fundraiser%20Flyer\\_June%202011%202018.pdf](http://ridgecrestpta.org/Doc/FundRaising/MOD%20Pizza%20Fundraiser%20Flyer_June%202011%202018.pdf)

## 5th/6th Grade Band & Orchestra Concert

Tuesday, June 5th  
7:00 pm



## 3rd Grade Music program

Thursday, June 7th  
9:15 am



## 4th/5th Grade Music program

Wednesday, June 13th  
9:00 am



## 6th Grade vs Staff Kickball Game



Friday, June 15th  
1:00 pm

## 6th Grade Moving Up Ceremony

Friday, June 22nd  
9:00 am



Tuesday, June 19th  
12:30 pm

## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FRIDAY JUNE 22nd!



*Have a great summer  
everyone!*