

MAYWOOD PTSA NEWS

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CALENDAR

MARCH

9th: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

23rd: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

24th: 5th grade parent night 6:30-8:30 at Maywood

28th: 7:00pm PTSA Board meeting in library

29th: Babysitting Class pre-registration required

29th: 6:30pm Issaquah Council Awards Ceremony

31st: Babysitting Class pre-registration required

31st: Special Ed. Parent Night 6:30-8:30 in the Library

APRIL

4th-8th: No School

20th: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

25th: 7:00pm PTSA General Membership meeting in library

MAY

11th: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

23rd: 7:00pm PTSA Board meeting in library

25th: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

JUNE

8th: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

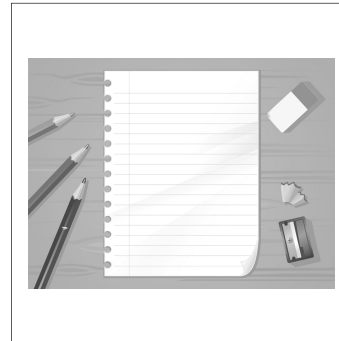
16th: Last Day of School

22nd: ISD School Board meeting 7:00pm at Admin. building

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

We are over half way through another great school year at Maywood, and I want to take a moment to thank the staff for their continued dedication to the well being of our students.

The staff at Maywood are not just focused on teaching our students the academics, but also teaching our students about the real world. In Middle School, our students are looking for more independ-



ence while still needing guidance – our teachers are providing that. In Middle School, our students are looking for validation of their individual opinions – our teachers are providing that. In Middle

School, our students are looking for adult role models that are not their parents – our teachers are providing that. Thank you staff for providing more than just the academics for our students!

*Kimberly Montague
PTSA President*

SPRING BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

The Scholastic Spring Book Fair will be at Maywood, May 24th - May 27th, Tuesday (evening only) thru Friday. Your student can pick up some great summer reads at the fair.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact:
Mary Nelson: maryjjj@comcast.net or Susie Smith:
mrssmith@q.com. Thanks!



PTSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEEDS YOU!

Attention Maywood Parents!

Want to get involved and learn more about what is happening at Maywood? Maywood PTSA's Nominating Committee is looking for leaders for next year. The PTSA is a great way to meet parents from other grade school attendance areas and find out more about what's happening at Maywood. We are looking for motivated leaders to help direct the PTSA and build Maywood's community support. The PTSA commitment level in middle school is much lighter than in grade school. Please consider joining us; we'd love to get you involved! Please contact a member of our Nominating Committee for more information about specific positions.

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BABYSITTING CLASS

The final babysitting class of the school year will be Tuesday, March 29 and Thursday, March 31 from 2:15-4:30 in Room 316. The cost of the two-day class is \$30. Pre-registration is required. To register for the class please contact Kimberly Montague at mkmontague@hotmail.com.

7TH GRADE FIELD TRIP

7th Grade Parents/Guardians,

The 7th grade humanities team is pleased to announce that on May 19th, the entire 7th grade will embark on a field trip to the Seattle Underground Tour. With so many students going, we are in need of adult volunteers to act as chaperones. Since we need 50-60 adults for this field trip, we will hold a mandatory meeting to go over the details. Mark your calendars for March 15th. We'll meet in the library at 6:30pm and we're estimating that you'll be out before 7:30. Should you have any questions, please contact any one of the 7th grade humanities teachers.

The entire 7th grade team would also like to take this opportunity to thank our PTSA. Thanks to the approval of our LARGE grant, students are going to be able to take the field trip at a minimal cost. Thank you!





We Like You, Will You Like Us?

Why settle for ISF updates on a monthly basis? 'Like' the Foundation's Facebook page and you'll always be in the know. Look for the big red apple and become a Foundation fan.

***Nourish Every Mind*—What's All the Fuss About?**

Curious about the ***Nourish Every Mind*** Luncheon? Find out why the Luncheon is one of the most popular and well-attended social events of the year. Join us at ***Nourish Every Mind*** 2011, **Thursday, April 28** from **11:00 am – 1:00 pm** at the Issaquah Community Center. Hear testimonials from ISF program participants, enjoy a silent auction, and celebrate with 900 other civic and business leaders, parents, and friends. Contact Michelle Weldon, mweldon@issaquahschoolsfoundation.org, to add your name to the invitation list.

We're Looking for Table Captains! Parents, we need your help to meet our goal of 100 ***Nourish Every Mind*** Table Captains. If you'd like to perform this fun, yet critical job, please join us at our **Table Captain Kick Off on Friday, March 11** from **11:30 am – 1:00 pm** at the Administration Building. You'll learn what the job entails, hear behind-the-scenes news from members of the ISD Cabinet and enjoy a light lunch on us. Please contact our Table Captain Chair, Cathia Geller, Cathia@cathiageller.com for more information.

Academic Enrichment Grants Update

Dedicated teachers and staff submitted 55 applications to the 2011 Academic Enrichment Grants programs. Grant requests ranged from literacy to leadership and demonstrated the commitment and creativity of our staff. Winning applicants will be notified later this month. Be on the lookout for congratulatory banners at your school.

We're Here to Help

Could your child use extra homework help? Remind him/her to use the Foundation's **FREE After-School Homework Labs**. Available at every middle and high school, the Labs offer teacher assisted tutoring for students of all levels. Some teachers even offer make-up classes and tests during this time. Contact your school for its After-School Homework Club/Lab schedule.

Donor Dollars Making a Difference

"Thank you for your financial support this year as I pursued National Board Certification. Rest assured that my hard work and intense reflection will carry forward to improve student learning."

Patti Banashak, IMS Science Teacher

Your contributions made it possible for the Foundation to contribute \$1,500 toward program fees for Ms. Banashak and 30 other teachers who achieved National Board Certification status in December. Thank you for making a difference.



Issaquah Special Needs Group Meeting

families helping families in the Issaquah School District

Planning for the Future with Your Special Needs Child

Tuesday, March 8, 7:00-8:30 pm

Clark Elementary Library

Speaker: Thomas Lofton, Principal Attorney

BRISLAWN LOFTON, PLLC & the Private Client Law group Have you ever considered what you need to arrange for the future of your child? What will happen when your child grows up? What will happen when you are not there to take care of your child? Even if your child is still young, it is important to educate yourself about these challenging questions.

Thomas Lofton will discuss the legal decisions parents should consider for their special needs child.

There will be time after the meeting, 8:30-9:00, to network with other parents.

Please invite your peers to join us. There is no fee or membership requirement -- all are welcome!

Questions? Contact Roseann Popa at info@issaquahspecialneedsgroup.org

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PARENT ED. TIDBIT - 9 MORE WAYS TO HELP YOUR STUDENT SUCCEED IN SCHOOL

- 1) Voice your support or concern on any issue that will affect your family.
- 2) Serve on school task forces that examine such things as school dress codes or bullying prevention policies.
- 3) Serve on school advisory councils or committees on curriculum, discipline, and so forth.
- 4) Encourage and support children to serve in leadership positions.
- 5) Attend PTA, school board, and/or town meetings, and speak to issues of concern.
- 6) Learn candidates' positions and participate in school board elections.
- 7) Write, call, or visit local or state decision makers to support or oppose proposed education legislation.
- 8) Give testimony at public hearings in support of or in opposition to proposed education legislation.

