## Cougar Ridge PTSA Bobcat Blast - Summer Edition!

Hello, Cougar Ridge families! We hope that you are all having a wonderful summer break! It's hard to believe that school will be starting again the end of this month. We are sending out this special edition of the Bobcat Blast so that you can save the date for the many upcoming events. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

## **Important Dates to Remember – Mark Your Calendars!**

**August 9<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>** - All Cougar Ridge families need to complete the Online Enrollment Verification Process via <u>Family Access</u>. This process asks families to confirm that your student(s) will be attending school starting August 31, 2021, which in turn helps the district plan for teachers and resources.

**Wednesdays, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM** - Kindergarten Playground Night for incoming 2021-22 Kindergarteners at **Lewis Creek Park**. Please encourage incoming Kindergarten families to come meet other new families. A great way to start the year!

Monday, August 30th - Meet the Teacher and Picture Day at Cougar Ridge

Monday, August 30th 5:30PM - Kindergarten Curriculum Night (Parents Only)

Tuesday, August 31st 9:10AM - First Day of School (Grades 1-5)

Wednesday, September 1st 5:30PM - Kindergarten Playground Night at Cougar Ridge

Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:10AM - First Day of School (Kindergarten)

Monday, September 6th - NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

There are still many important chair positions open on the PTSA for 2021-2022! **YOU** are important and have the skills we need! We are hoping to fill the Yearbook and Reflections Art Program positions soon. Please contact Julie Chang if you have any questions or are interested in getting involved.

## **Other News**

**You may now purchase your 2021-2022 Cougar Ridge PTSA membership by clicking <a href="here">here</a>. This will also be your opportunity to donate to the Art Docent fund and purchase yearbooks. Remember that if you want access to a school directory you <b>must** be a PTSA member. We welcome your support - thank you!

**2020-21 Yearbook Update**: A huge thank you to the hundreds of families who have picked up their yearbooks this summer! We still have a small number of students who have yet to receive their pre-ordered yearbook - please reach out to Catharine Holtan (PTSA Yearbook volunteer) to arrange an easy and quick porch pick-up. Also, the PTSA has a handful of extra yearbooks to sell. **If you did not order a 2020-21 yearbook and would like one, please contact Catharine Holtan.** Thank you!

**School Supply lists** for the upcoming School Year are available on the Cougar Ridge Website. Click <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> to see what supplies your student will need this Fall. You can order everything your student needs for the upcoming school year through EduKit. Supplies are packaged in one convenient box and customized to your teacher's requests.

Students will pick up their supplies at Meet the Teacher Day or they will be distributed directly to your student's classroom. Click <u>here</u> to go to the website and order today! **The deadline to order is August 10**<sup>th</sup>.

**Incoming First Graders Invited to Kindergarten Bus Ride-Along**: This year's event will take place **August 10, 11, and 12**. Buses will leave from Issaquah High School promptly at 9:30 a.m. Riders will take a short ride around Issaquah and then take a ride through the bus wash. The event will end around 10:30 a.m. To RSVP for the ride-along, please email Transportation and include, your kinder/first grader's name, a parent or guardian's name, school of attendance, and number of adults and siblings you wish to bring. There are a limited number of spaces for this event. RSVPs will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until the event is full. Masks must be worn at all times while riding the bus.

**Amazon Library Wish List:** Our Cougar Ridge Librarian, Mrs. Hembree, has been asked by many families how they can support the school. One new way is our <u>Cougar Ridge Library Amazon Wish List.</u> These are titles she would love to add to our library collection. Since school is currently closed for the summer, please send the books to your home and give them to Mrs. Hembree in the fall. Thank you for supporting our library program and for fostering a love of reading in your student!

**Cougar Ridge Green Team** and PTSA are proud to announce that we have a recycling bin for markers, pens, and pencils. It will be located outside the front door. Please be sure to *only* put pens, markers and pencils in this box. Thank you for doing your part to help protect our planet!

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