## **Cougar Ridge PTSA Upcoming Events**

**Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 9:45AM** – Join fellow parents for our Friday Hike/Walk at Lewis Creek Park (meet outside the visitor center). All are welcome! We will meet rain or shine. Please contact Kim Beaudoin with any questions.

Monday, October 18th - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Work Day

Tuesday, October 19th 7PM - PTSA General Meeting

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

**Safety Patrol Volunteers Needed** – Cougar Ridge is looking for volunteers to help with Safety Patrol at the two intersections furthest from the school. Volunteers are needed 8:50-9:15am (daily), 3:40-3:55pm (MTThF), 1:30-1:45pm (Wednesday) and will be provided patrol gear and training. Please contact Julie Chang if you are interested.

**Our upcoming Cougar Ridge Harvest Carnival planning is underway!** – We are excited to share that Spooky Spaghetti is back and will be part of our upcoming carnival. We are now also looking for "dad" volunteers to help with the Spooky Spaghetti planning and organizing. Interested dads, please email Mark Mobilia. Volunteers interested in sponsoring a Halloween decorated booth with games at the carnival, please contact Erica Wood. We will share the day and time of the carnival in next week's blast.

## **Other News**

**Attention All Artists!** – Express yourself through dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography, and visual arts with this year's *Reflections* theme: <u>*I Will Change the World By...*</u> Click <u>here</u> for additional information and contact Sarah Harris if you have any questions. Submissions are due to the Main Office at Cougar Ridge Elementary by **Monday, October 25**<sup>th</sup>.

**Please join the Cougar Ridge PTSA!** – If you haven't had a chance to become a member, you can sign up on our website <u>here</u>. We are striving for 100% participation this year!

**Attention 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Families** – We would like to celebrate 5<sup>th</sup> graders in a special way in the yearbook this year. If you would like to participate, please upload ONE photo <u>here</u> of your 5<sup>th</sup> grader doing their favorite activity, with their favorite pet, from their favorite vacation, or just a portrait from this past year.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents! Don't miss out on the CR 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Interest Survey** – ISD has canceled the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camps for the 2021-22 school year across the district given an inability to accommodate all 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camps in the spring. However, the CR PTSA is investigating whether it will be possible to have a <u>parent-led</u> 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp in May of 2022, given enough support and interest. We would like every parent to respond, so please provide your feedback via this <u>CR 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp Interest Survey</u> by **Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**.

**Attention 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Families** – Please remember that if you would like to contribute, \$5 donations toward the PTSA's monthly staff luncheons are due by **Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>**. A note and envelope was previously sent home with your child. If you already donated during online back to school registration, thank you! Not sure if you have donated? Check at <u>cougarridgeptsa.org</u> -> My Account -> Account Information -> Orders.

**Special thanks to all the 5<sup>th</sup> grade families that donated toward last month's staff luncheon** – Our grill master, aka Mr. Terry, turned out burgers and dogs throughout staff's lunchtime, filling everyone's bellies and hearts. We are so grateful to once again be able to treat our staff and show them how much we appreciate them!

**PTSA Leaders and Friends of ParentWiser** – Please join us on Zoom on **Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm** as ParentWiser presents <u>Building Resilience and Positive Coping Skills</u>. During a pandemic, when many things are outside of our control, it's what we do as parents with what we *can* control that will shape our children into cool, kind kids with character. Join nationally recognized author and speaker Dr. Laura Kastner for a discussion about strategies to help our children, our partners, and ourselves find calm in the chaos. Please register <u>here</u> or directly on <u>Eventbrite</u>.

**Virtual School Board Candidate Forum** – Issaquah School District would like to announce their Virtual School Board Candidate Forum on October 20<sup>th</sup>. You can find all the information <u>here</u>. If you would like to submit questions to the school board candidates, please do so <u>here</u>. The link will close on **Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**.

**CR Spiritwear Update** – We are excited to share that our fall Spiritwear order was placed with the vendor. We are expecting the garments to be ready by mid-October. PTSA will deliver all garments to your child's classroom once we receive them.

**Are you interested in advocacy work for the WA State PTSA?** – Please help us in being our Cougar Ridge voting delegate at the WSPTA Legislative Assembly. Contact Julie Chang for more information.

Please visit our homepage for more information on these and other events.

For questions or to submit to the Bobcat Blast, please contact Leslie Kwor.

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