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Cougar Ridge PTSA Upcoming Events

Tuesday, October 18th 3:40-4:30PM – Level 2 Chess Club meeting

Tuesday, October 18th 6:30PM – PTSA General Membership Meeting – Come join us in the Cougar Ridge Library as we will discuss ways to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Cougar Ridge PTSA. We will also have a special guest from the new [Issaquah Special Education PTSA](#). Log in to the Cougar Ridge PTSA website to review the [October agenda](#) and [September Meeting Minutes](#).

Wednesday, October 19th 1:30-2:20PM – Level 3 Chess Club meeting

Wednesday, October 19th – Our PTSA [Math Challenge](#) is due! Students who participate in 12 of the 15 challenges throughout the year will get a party!

Thursday, October 20th 8:00-9:00AM – First Green Team Meeting of the year in Room 162. If your student has a passion for being green and would be interested in helping Cougar Ridge be more green, submit your application [here](#).

Thursday, October 20th – *Reflections* student entries due at CR Front Office – This year's theme is "Show Your Voice!" Please check out our [Reflections Page](#) for all the details. For online submission guidelines and requirements [click here](#). For more information or any questions, please contact [Lana Williams](#).

Monday, October 24th – NO SCHOOL – Teacher Work Day

Wednesday, October 26th 6:00AM-9:00PM – Support Cougar Ridge PTSA by buying breakfast, lunch, or dinner at the Panera Bread in Factoria. Bring this [flyer](#) and 20% of sales will be donated.

Friday, October 28th 6:00-8:00PM – Cougar Ridge PTSA Spooky Spaghetti – Put on your costume and join us at our annual PTSA Spooky Spaghetti night! This family event will feature Trunk-or-Treating, games, prizes, and of course, our Cougar Ridge dads serving a delicious spaghetti dinner. Purchase your tickets [HERE](#). Tickets are \$10 per person through Tuesday, October 25th. Starting Wednesday, October 26th, tickets will increase to \$15 per person **tickets include dinner*.

Please see the full year PTSA calendar [here](#) and download all the events to your personal calendar [here](#).

Volunteer Opportunities

Seeking Spooky Support – It's Spooky Spaghetti time on Friday, October 28th from 6-8PM, and we need YOU to help carry on the tradition of a well-loved annual event. We plan to continue the tradition of a Dad-led Spaghetti dinner and games. Sign up [HERE](#) to help with:

- **TRUNK or TREATING:** Volunteer to decorate your car trunk in a SPOOKY theme (*check out Pinterest for great ideas!*) and hand out candy to the students in the back of the school.

- **CANDY DONATIONS:** Donate a large bag of individually wrapped candy for the SPOOKY game prizes . Drop off to the school office by Friday, October 21st.

Cougar Ridge is looking for VOICE mentors – This in-school mentoring program pairs caring adult or high school volunteers with Issaquah School District students for one-on-one, supportive relationships. Click [here](#) to learn more. All volunteers have to be approved by the district, which takes several weeks. Visit [here](#) to access an application. If you're interested in being a VOICE mentor, contact school counselor, [Lisa Cordier](#).

Other News

Would you like to receive a Cougar Ridge Elementary School directory? – Join the PTSA [here](#) to receive this free directory for play dates and holiday cards.

The Library Storybook Character Pumpkin Patch is back! – Decorate a real pumpkin to look like one of your favorite book characters (without cutting or carving the pumpkin). Print and bring this pumpkin patch [page](#) to school with your pumpkin. Please [click here](#) for more details and inspiration.

Do you have any new or gently used coats for adults or kids? – Please consider donating to the Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank: Tuesday October 18th 1-3PM, Thursday October 20th 1-3PM, Tuesday November 1st 1-3PM at AtWork Warehouse, 930 7th Ave NW, Issaquah.

Do you want your parenting life to be a bit easier and more fun? – Join ParentWiser and Susan Stiffelman MFT to hear the research behind why our kids need us to be in charge, learn how to avoid the power struggles that once seemed inevitable, how to find your cool when you've temporarily lost it, and discover how to maintain your confidence even in the midst of those parenting storms. This is a Zoom webinar on Monday, November 7th at 7pm and is free for PTSA members. Register on [Eventbrite](#).

We need your input! – Cougar Ridge PTSA wants your opinion on the type of fundraising events we have and your input on how you can help fundraise for our school! Please fill out this [short survey](#) so we can start planning some fun events for you!

Silent Fundraising – There are many easy ways that you can help raise money for the Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA. Learn more about [Silent Fundraising](#) and how you can easily participate in those programs. Thank you!

Blast it Back! – We want to know what you are interested in learning about our school community, what questions you have, and what ideas you would like to share! Please [Blast it Back](#) to your PTSA!

Resources

The Cultural Bridges Family Guide for 2022-2023 is available [here](#) in Arabic, Chinese, English, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Russian, and Vietnamese. This guide can help you learn about our school district and education system. Follow the Cultural Bridge's Program on [Facebook](#) to stay informed with events and resources!

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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