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Cougar Ridge PTSA Bobcat Blast

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Cougar Ridge PTSA Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 14th 6:00PM – Curriculum Night Grades 3,4,5 (**Parents only**)

Thursday, September 15th – School Pictures. For those of you who did not get a mailer from Dorian (school pictures), [here](#) is the link to order online.

Thursday, September 15th 6:00PM – Curriculum Night Grades 1 & 2 (**Parents only**)

Friday, September 16th – LAST DAY to order **Cougar Ridge Spiritwear!** Show your Bobcat pride by purchasing our brand new, awesome spiritwear [here](#).

Tuesday, September 20th 6:30PM-8:30PM – Please join us for the first **PTSA General Membership meeting** of the school year in the Cougar Ridge MPR. Learn more about what our PTSA does, our plans for the upcoming year, and how you can get involved. Hope to see you there!

Volunteer Opportunities

Are you interested in advocacy or debating policy? – Any PTSA Member has the opportunity to be an attendee or voting delegate at the 44th annual WSPTA Legislative Assembly. Voting delegates decide the public policy positions that guide state and local advocacy work for WSPTA and local PTAs like ours. Represent Cougar Ridge and help WSPTA adopt its [legislative platform](#) through 2024! The event will be hybrid on October 15th-16th. Participants may attend live at Bellevue College or remotely. Registration includes access to classes, educational opportunities, caucusing, and materials. Contact [Sara Woody](#) for more information.

We are looking for a “busy bee” to chair our PTSA Spelling Bee – Duties would include registering us for the event, recruiting helpers and spellers, and helping to host the spelling bee itself. If you are interested, please reach out to [Dorothy Davis](#).

Interested in volunteering at Cougar Ridge this year? – Please complete your [Volunteer Application](#) with the Issaquah School District and make sure you have Cougar Ridge Elementary School selected under school preferences. You must renew your volunteer application with ISD every year.

Other News

Have you joined Cougar Ridge PTSA? – [Enroll here](#) to take advantage of PTSA membership, yearbook, donations, and volunteer opportunities. If you want to receive a school directory, you must be a PTSA member. We welcome your support - thank you!

Reflections 2022-23 is calling all artists! – This year's theme is "Show Your Voice!" The purpose of this program is to provide an opportunity for students to use their creative talents by expressing themselves through their own original works. Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA is proud to support our students' participation in Reflections each year! **The deadline for student entries is October 20th, 2022 at the Cougar Ridge Elementary front office.** 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](#).

PTSA Member Discounts – Washington State PTA (WSPTA) arranges a number of benefits and discounts for members. Access the benefits on the [WSPTA website](#) by using the credentials on your Member Card, emailed to you when you purchased your Cougar Ridge membership.

Action Needed – If you purchased your PTSA Membership before school started, please go back into the PTSA website and update your child's teacher. This will make it easier for us to deliver things like spirit wear/gift-a-books/yearbooks/etc. 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!

Yearbook – If you have photos from Meet the Teacher or Kindergarten Night that you would like to share, please upload them [here](#). Please make sure that photos only include current Cougar Ridge students and/or teachers.

Resources

Check out the Facebook and WhatsApp groups run by Cougar Ridge parents –

- [KINDERGARTEN](#)
- [FIRST](#)
- [SECOND](#)
- [THIRD](#)
- [FOURTH](#)
- [FIFTH](#)
- [WhatsApp](#)

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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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