



## Cougar Ridge Elementary PTSA 2.6.8

### Cougar Ridge PTSA Bobcat Blast

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### Cougar Ridge PTSA Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 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. You can view the [September Agenda](#) and log in to the Cougar Ridge PTSA website to review the [June Meeting Minutes](#). Hope to see you there!

**Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> – First PTSA Math Challenge!** – PTSA is sponsoring an extracurricular math enrichment program that lets students show-off their problem-solving skills. There will be 15 challenges throughout the year and students that complete 12 or more will earn an after-school party! [Click here](#) for more information and for the first challenge!

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

### Volunteer Opportunities

**Are you interested in advocacy or discussing policy?** – Any PTSA Member has the opportunity to be an attendee or voting delegate at the 44<sup>th</sup> annual WSPTA Legislative Assembly. Represent Cougar Ridge and help WSPTA adopt its [legislative platform](#) through 2024! 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

**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 20, 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](#).

**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!

**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.

**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

**Check out the Facebook groups run by Cougar Ridge parents –**

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

**A Podcast for Parents, by Parents** – National PTA is working to ensure our public schools provide a high-quality and equitable education for every child to reach their full potential. [Notes from the Backpack](#) is a PTA podcast designed for millions of parents and the decisionmakers they influence. Through the unique combination of experts, parent and educator guests, each episode features engaging conversations that offer real-life advice and ideas on how to support children’s learning and development—all in parent-friendly language.

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