



# LEOTA PTSA Weekly Update

September 20, 2019

## Upcoming Events

9/25	<b>WATCH D.O.G.S. Pizza Night @ 6:30 pm, Leota Cafeteria</b>
9/25	<b>Vision and Hearing Screening – 5 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</b> , please contact Debbie Park ( <a href="mailto:dpark@nsd.org">dpark@nsd.org</a> ) if you would like to help!
9/28	<b>Leota Hi-Cap/AAP Bowling Night @ 3:00 p.m., Bowlero in Lynwood</b>
9/30	<b>Science Olympiad Registration Deadline – Early Pricing Ends 9/30</b>
10/4	<b>DEADLINE: ANNUAL FUND DONATIONS FOR REWARDS (can donate and corporate match all year long)</b>  <b>DEADLINE: PTSA MEMBERSHIP FOR GIFT CARD DRAWING TO PURPLE, RUSSELL'S, BARKING FROG (can become a member all year long)</b>
10/9	<b>October Staff Appreciation: Tailgate Lunch</b>
10/16	<b>PTSA General Meeting @ 7 p.m., Village Wines: COME JOIN US!</b> Live Drawing for the Paving the Way Together Grand Prize – Seahawks Tickets

## Leota PTSA Annual Fund: Paving the Way, Together

The Leota PTSA and ASB are committed to creating a school environment that provides excellence and opportunity for ALL students. Though **October 4, 2019**, we are combining forces to raise money to fund our PTSA and ASB educational programs, sports, arts and grants which provide our students experiences far beyond basic education.

For \$75 per student, we can continue to fund all the experiences of past years and our new programs planned for the year ahead.

### **Have you donated? THANK YOU!**

Our Annual Fund is off to a great start! Many families have already participated, and we thank you for your donations! Last Friday, the kick-off assembly got our students involved and we hope they brought that excitement home to you.

### **CURRENT PROGRESS**

# WE ARE JUST \$129 away from our first all school milestone: PIE EATING CONTEST.

**ALL SCHOOL GOALS**

If the donation total reaches \$25, \$50, or \$75 per student levels, Audee and Bryan and maybe some teachers will:

<b>Kiss the Piglet</b>	<b>\$75</b>
<b>Ice Bucket Challenge</b>	<b>\$50</b>
<b>Pie Eating Contest</b>	<b>\$25</b>

We have had wonderful participation levels from those that have participated so far. The kids want to see Audee and Bryan KISS THE PIGLET, so we need everyone to participate to make that happen. Below are all potential rewards.

## PAVING THE WAY IS HARD WORK AND DESERVES A REWARD

**GRAND PRIZE**

### Seahawks Tickets

1 ticket is provided for every \$25 donation above \$75. Example: total donations, memberships, sponsorship, corporate matching equaling \$125 will receive 3 tickets.

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**TOP 3 PRIDES**

Top 3 Prides in total donations will each receive:

**PIZZA PARTY**

**TOTAL PRIDE GOALS**

Every Pride that reaches a total donation level that equals \$75 times the number of students in the Pride will receive:

**KONA ICE**



**TOP 1 STUDENT/GRADE\***  
Principal for a Day

**TOP 10 STUDENTS/GRADE:\***  
Jamba Juice Gift Card

**ALL INDIVIDUALS RAISING OVER:\***

- \$1000 High School Gear Pack
- \$500 Leota School Gear Pack
- \$250 Night at the Movies Gift Card
- \$125 Front of the Line Lunch Pass
- \$75 Free Pride Time with a Friend

\*Individuals over \$125 also entered into a drawing for "XBOX ONE S" console

TOP 20 PRIDES	Total	Top 20 Students	Total	Top 20 Donors	Total
6-WESTBERG	\$ 1,423	Myles M	\$ 465	Tasnim Ferdous	\$ 378
7-DUFFY	\$ 1,319	Daniel R	\$ 450	Simone Holderbach	\$ 300
7-MORRIS	\$ 1,077	Tasmia M	\$ 378	Heidi Thompson	\$ 300
6-POON Daniel	\$ 1,029	Sophia G	\$ 312	Nasos Kladakis	\$ 250
6-FLOWERS	\$ 940	Atticus P	\$ 300	Sylvia Bagley	\$ 250
6-GUIDON	\$ 815	London T	\$ 300	Jody Potthoff	\$ 250
8-FAST	\$ 782	Ella R	\$ 300	Michael Howe	\$ 250
6-BUTZ	\$ 770	Emil P	\$ 275	Margot Schroeder	\$ 250
7-KELLER	\$ 742	Hunter D	\$ 265	Han Yan	\$ 230
7-MEUCCI	\$ 727	Charlotte B	\$ 250	Sarah Kosenski	\$ 215
8-POON Valerie	\$ 715	Tina K	\$ 250	Susan Lohman	\$ 200
7-HURLEY	\$ 708	Chloe P	\$ 250	Daniel Simpson	\$ 200
6-MANN	\$ 671	Will S	\$ 250	Justin K.	\$ 200
8-MOLITOR	\$ 668	Jackson H	\$ 250	Karen Damianick	\$ 200
6-BUHLER GALLAGHER	\$ 657	Joshua S	\$ 245	Marcia Harris	\$ 200
7-OLSON	\$ 642	Elijah Y	\$ 230	Doug Thompson	\$ 200
8-BOHANNAN	\$ 627	Tucker C	\$ 200	Valerie Kok	\$ 198
8-ADAMS Ryan	\$ 620	Mason H	\$ 200	Todd Cowgill	\$ 187
8-MYERS	\$ 577	Cecilia D	\$ 200	Stefanie Huffman	\$ 175
7-WARHOL	\$ 567	Henrik D	\$ 192	Michelle Harrison	\$ 175

Follow real-time Pride Standings and top donations at <https://bit.ly/LeotaTogether2019>. It's still very early, anything can happen!!

If you have already donated, **please check your child's page on the 99pledges site to make sure that their current total reflects all methods of donation** (membership, corporate matching, direct donation). Contact [contact@leotapta.com](mailto:contact@leotapta.com) if there are any changes to be made and we will make them promptly.

### Do you need to know how to donate?

If you have not yet donated and wish to participate, our Annual Fund Drive continues through October 4, 2019. We have two ways for you to donate: the PTSA website, and through our partnership with 99pledges.

## LEOTA PTSA ANNUAL FUND – NOW THROUGH OCT 4



### Option 1: Leota PTSA

Membership + Sponsorship + Corporate Matching +

Donations can be made at:

[www.leotaptsa.com](http://www.leotaptsa.com)

### Option 2: 99Pledges

Donations + Ask Friends and Family to Participate +

Follow Individual and Pride Level Totals at:

[bit.ly/LeotaTogether2019](http://bit.ly/LeotaTogether2019)

Note: Qualifying purchases made on [www.leotaptsa.com](http://www.leotaptsa.com) will be added to the rewards totals on the 99Pledges website.

[Bit.ly/LeotaTogether2019](http://bit.ly/LeotaTogether2019) is case sensitive so the T and L must be capitalized. Link is also on [leotaptsa.com](http://leotaptsa.com) website.

**ALL DONATIONS ABOVE \$75 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS IN NEED.**

**Yes!** Your PTSA membership counts toward our goal! Corporate donations match count toward our goal!

Donate via either method and it will count toward your student's goal and their pride-based competition.

## **JOIN US FOR AN ANNUAL FUND CELEBRATION AND GENERAL MEETING!**

### **General Meeting: October 16, 2019 @ Village Wines in Woodinville**

Our next general meeting is October 16, 2019 at Village Wines in Woodinville. **All are invited to attend**—come learn about your PTSA, and how we are planning to support your students during the 2019-2020 school year.

While no volunteering is required, having FUN definitely is! We will be LIVE DRAWING OF THE GRAND PRIZE: SEAHAWKS TICKETS.

## **GOT YOUR PTSA MEMBERSHIP? And do you have it by 10/4?**

We invite you to become a member of the Leota PTSA. In addition to being in the know about what happens in the school, your membership is a big show of support for all volunteers and activities that PTSA hosts throughout the year. No volunteering is required to be a member, but membership has its benefits. You can become a member at any time, but we would like to say Thank You to those that have their membership purchased by 10/4 with an evening out at Purple, Russell's, or the Barking Frog. Originally the drawing was going to be 9/20, but due to so much interest we are extending it to coincide with the end of the Paving the Way Together fundraiser. Your membership counts in the \$75 per student goal and towards PTWT Rewards.

DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON 10/16 for all those that have their membership by 10/4 at the PTSA General Meeting and Annual Fund Celebration.



## Membership



Your membership is very important and provides Benefits:

- Provides voice and vote in programs offered at Leota
- Voting rights at Washington State and National PTA level
- Strong show of support for PTSA volunteers, community, and advocating for ALL students.
- Over \$500 in member discounts, Support PTSA programs and grants offered, 100% tax deductible

**Get your membership today  
at [www.leotapta.com](http://www.leotapta.com)**

**EARLY PARTICIPATION GIFT CARD DRAWING EXTENDED TO 10/4.**







### **WATCH D.O.G.S Pizza Night: September 25 @ 6:30pm**

Have you heard about our WATCH D.O.G.S. program and wonder what it's all about?

Come join our WATCH D.O.G.S. on September 25th at 6:30pm in the Leota Cafeteria for a pizza night and learn about this wonderful program. Sign up to experience your student's daily life and help around the school in various ways.

If you cannot attend but would like to learn more about this program or sign up, please contact Matt Vandenbeld at [watchdogs@leotapta.com](mailto:watchdogs@leotapta.com).



## **Hi-Cap/AAP Bowling Night: September 28 @ 3pm**

**RSVP Deadline: September 20, 2019**

Come out and meet other Hi-Cap students and families at the first Hi-Cap social night of the 2019/2020 school year!

**When:** Saturday, September 28

**Time:** 3:00 - 5:00pm

**Where:** Bowlero, 1222 164th St SW, Lynnwood, WA

**Cost:** \$12/person, includes shoe rental, 1.5 hours of bowling, 14 arcade credits and a cupcake

**RSVP:** [karensrieser@gmail.com](mailto:karensrieser@gmail.com)

Email Karen Grieser, our Hi-Cap Representative **by September 20th** to register or for further information about our Hi-Cap/AAP social programs.

Siblings and parents are welcome to join in the fun!

## **Science Olympiad: Sign Up Now!**

**Registration Deadline: September 30, 2019**

Become a disease detective and solve medical mysteries by examining the details. Apply STEM skills to help build a robust boomilever. Craft a battery buggy that defies speed yet can run precisely to the millimeter.

Try missions like these and more by participating in the 2019-2020 Science Olympiad! With almost 25 different topics included in the curriculum, participants will delve deeply into a variety of scientific topics and learn to develop and apply creative and innovative ideas together as a team. Qualified teams present their skills at regional, state, and even national level competitions

If your student would like to participate this year, the time to sign up is NOW! The registration deadline is fast approaching. The club is also seeking volunteers to support students as either a team coach or by offering suggestions and expert guidance on particular topics.

For more information, please contact Shraddha Bhargava at [scienceolympiad@leotaptsa.com](mailto:scienceolympiad@leotaptsa.com) or by phone at 425-368-8984. **Sign up at [www.leotaptsa.com](http://www.leotaptsa.com).**

## **2019-2020 Reflections: Look Within**



**PTA Reflections** is a nationally acclaimed student recognition program to encourage artistic creativity in the classroom and at home. Categories for submissions include: Visual Arts, Literature, Photography, Music Composition, Film/Video, and Choreography/Dance.

To participate in this program, students work independently on their chosen creative work during the summer and early fall using the guidelines established by the national program. In November, Leota hosts an Art Walk displaying student submissions for the student body, and students pick their favorites in the People's Choice Awards. In January, the Northshore Council PTSA hosts an open house featuring all participants who make it to the council level and announce the submissions moving to the state level. This year's theme is Look Within.

We have had some very talented students participate in recent years, including one student who progressed to be a national finalist in 2018-2019. If your student wants to become involved in this program, please contact Nicole StremLOW-Monahan at [reflections@leotaptsa.com](mailto:reflections@leotaptsa.com) for more information or visit the Reflections website at <https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections> for program entry details.

**Leota Ski & Snowboard Club: Register NOW!**



Join the Leota Ski & Snowboard Club this winter and your FRIDAYS WILL ROCK!

Take the ski club bus from Leota to ski and snowboard with friends at Stevens Pass. For the 2020 season, the lessons will start in January and run for seven weeks.

Registration opened September 1, 2019. The Leota lesson and transportation spots are generally full by October. If you would like to chaperone, the bus fee is refunded and a free lift pass is provided every week.

For more information and to register, visit [www.lyonskiskool.com](http://www.lyonskiskool.com) .

## **Make your volunteers hours count!**

### **Did You Know Your Company May Donate When You Volunteer?**

Many companies will donate for hours volunteered in addition to matching financial donations. Please check with your company to see if you have a dollars for doers or similar volunteer hours matching program and take a few minutes to register your hours towards a Leota Middle School PTSA donation.

### **Amazon Smile is Also A Great Way to Donate**

Visit <https://smile.amazon.com/> all year long, every time you are making purchases with Amazon. Whenever a purchase is made with Leota PTSA as the beneficiary, Amazon will send us a donation. Be sure to select Leota PTSA as your beneficiary.

### **Join the Leota PTSA Volunteer And Info Facebook Group**

Join our Leota PTSA Volunteers and Info closed Facebook group if you would like to hear more about volunteer opportunities:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/LeotaPTSAVolunteers/>.

There is no requirement to volunteer. By joining, we hope you feel part of the Leota parent community and are better informed about what is happening at our school.