



# The Lions Den

The Leota PTSA monthly newsletter

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## Volunteer Opportunity!

Every year the PTSA forms a Nominating Committee to find members to fill the Executive Committee chairs for the upcoming school year (2018-19).

Executive Committee includes the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

If you are interested in joining the Nominating Committee or are interested in more details, please email Laura Sauls at [VolunteerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com](mailto:VolunteerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com)

## CAREER DAY 2018

WOW! What a day! The energy and excitement could be felt the minute you walked onto campus. The students, teachers, and administration were excited and ready for Career Day 2018.

We couldn't have asked for a better keynote speaker to kick things off. Barry Long is not only a member of Leota's community, but he is an amazing inspirational speaker! His message was humorous and chocked with life lessons about not giving up. The students left excited to explore career day knowing that with determination and drive they can achieve their dreams.

This year we had over sixty panelists' share their stories at Career Day and they all did a fabulous job as always. Just as Barry had told them not to give up, our panelist told our students that there are twists and turns on the journey but to keep moving towards your dreams and the career will come. We want to thank our panelist for taking time from their busy schedule to share their personal journeys with our students. This event would not be possible without you.

As we wrapped up the morning, we are hopeful these students will not shy away from what they want in life but charge forward knowing that no roadblock is going to stop them from achieving their dreams.

Thank you again to the Leota's administration and staff for understanding the benefits of this event and the Northshore Schools Foundation and Leota's PTSA for their financial support.

Lastly, please help us fund Career Day 2019 by joining the PTSA. If your company has a matching program for volunteer hours, please report your time at Career Day in support of Leota PTSA.

We hope you can join us again next year for Career Day 2019!

## LeotaCon

### A PTSA Table Top Gaming Event

Our 1<sup>st</sup> ever table top gaming event was held this past Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. It was a great event and we want to say thank-you to all the volunteers that made this event possible. Without your time and loaning us games, we would not have been able to have such a fun event for Leota!



### Get Connected & Be Informed

There are several ways to connect with your PTSA and to stay informed of what's going on:

- ✓ Like Us on Facebook [@LeotaPTSA](https://www.facebook.com/LeotaPTSA)
- ✓ Check Out Our Website [www.leotapta.com](http://www.leotapta.com)
- ✓ Attend our 2nd General Membership Meeting on **Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Leota Library.**



**Hicap Assessments:** Testing of Torrence and ITBS happening now and for the next few weeks for middle school grades. Parents will be contacted before testing happens for your school. Decisions on program offers should be made by end of may.  
Algebra readiness testing: all math 6 and math 7 students will be given the algebra readiness test - 8th grade ITBS and Orleans Hannah.  
Newly admitted AAP 6 graders will be offered placement in their home middle schools



Don't forget to check with your company! Many employers will match not only your Pass the Hat donations, but your membership fees as well!

Make your dollars count as double and submit your matching pledge today!

For Questions about Matching Contributions, please contact Amanda Vandenberg at:

[TreasurerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com](mailto:TreasurerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com).



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## Member Perks

Did you know that your PTSA membership not only supports Leota, but also gives you benefits and discounts? Every member is emailed their membership card that includes access to a list of all the current offers available. [This Month's Spotlight: Office Depot](#)

The Washington State PTA is pleased to introduce an exciting new member program through a partnership with Office Depot. This program will provide you with substantial year round savings on all things Office Depot – School Supplies, Office Products, Technology, Furniture, and Print.

To see a list of all benefits, visit <https://www.wastatepta.org/get-involved/member-benefits/>

### The PTSA Needs Your Help!

Throughout the year, the PTSA offers a wide variety of support to Leota Middle School. Some of the events we help to support include:

- Back to School Fair
- Staff Appreciation
- Watch D.O.G.S.
- Classroom Funds
- Career Day
- Reflections Program
- Emergency Preparedness
- And Many More!



**In order to keep these and other programs going for next year we need parents to volunteer!** We have many positions available, roles big and small, that need to be filled for next year. We are especially looking to fill our executive board positions. Without volunteers, the PTSA cannot run. Please contact : [VolunteerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com](mailto:VolunteerLeotaPTSA@gmail.com) if you have questions or are interested in helping in any way next year.

<i>March</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>PTSA Exec Committee Meeting – 1-3pm OFFSITE</b>
	<b>8</b>	<b>Career / Leadership Day</b>
	<b>8</b>	<b>Orchestra Pathways @ WHS</b>
	<b>?</b>	<b>PTSA Canned Food Drive?</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>Staff Appreciation – St Patrick's Day Picnic</b>
	<b>20</b>	<b>LeotaCon 3:00-4:30pm</b>
	<b>21</b>	<b>PTSA General Meeting – 6:30-8:30pm LMS LIBRARY</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>MS Orchestra Assessment Festival @ NPAC</b>
<i>April</i>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>ASB Night Dance</b>
	<b>9-13</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL - Non-Student Day / Spring Break</b>
<i>New Fee in SRs</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>PTSA Board Meeting – 1-3pm LMS CONF. ROOM</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>Staff Appreciation – Brunch for Lunch</b>
	<b>23-27</b>	<b>National Volunteer Week</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>Staff Appreciation Week</b>