

# Meridian Elementary PTSA 9.7.30

## September 2015 Newsletter

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### WELCOME BACK!

I hope that everyone was able to make it to the **Ice Cream Social** on August 27<sup>th</sup> and get a frozen treat, there were a lot a great smiles and good summer stories shared that night. Over 600 treats were handed out in only 1.5 hours!!

We had 2 "Ice Cream Sundae" raffle basket drawings and the lucky winners are:

Membership Basket - April Stempniak  
Volunteer Basket - Michaela Jackson

Thank you to those members who came out and helped at the event, your energy and work is appreciated.

Kudos and shout out to Jennifer Bautista, Emily Hughes, Michaela Jackson, Tanya Holland, Faye Sotutu, Danielle Holland and Kayleigh Carter!

### September General Meeting

Join us on September 17<sup>th</sup> for the first PTSA meeting of the year. Our new Principal, LySander Collins, has agreed to come and share with us! Social begins at 6:30pm in the School flex-room. Meeting begins at 7:00pm.

### Membership Drive

Renew your membership by **September 17th** and invite new members to sign up and your name will be entered into a **"Wine & Chocolate Delight"** gift basket drawing on September 17th!

Forms can be found at the school and will be sent home with the student Friday

Folders. Membership is only \$10 per person and payment can be made by check or cash and dropped into the green PTSA mailbox at the school (please staple money/check to the form or enclose in an envelope). There are a lot of benefits for membership listed on the back of this page ☺

### Upcoming Dates

#### September 17

PTSA General Meeting

6:30pm Social

7:00pm Meeting

\*Meet our new Principal\*

\*Lysander Collins\*

#### September 25

PTSA Welcome Back

\*Sock Hop\* Dance

\*\*Tentative\*\*

#### September – October

360 Degree Fundraiser

\*\*Specific dates TBA\*\*

#### October 30

Hallowe'en Movie Night

\*\*Costume Dress Up\*\*

## ***Member Benefits***

*You will need your electronic member card available when taking advantage of benefits.*

### **FedEx Office**

Local PTAs and individual members can receive B&W copies at 4¢ each (single sided), color copies at 39¢ each (single sided), and 15% off all other production services. Members can use these special rates for *all* printing needs.

### **Great Wolf Lodge**

PTA members can save up to 20% on available rates now - December 31! Upon check in, please provide your valid PTA member card. Call (866) 925-WOLF (9653)

### **KeyArena/McCaw Hall**

Get priority access to some of the best sports and entertainment in Seattle! From discounted tickets to a family event or a private suite for your friends, Key Arena/McCaw Hall has what you are looking for!

### **Silverwood Theme Park**

PTA members can save 15% off front gate pricing during the 2015 regular season, May 2 - September 27. Children 2 and under are free.

### **Value Village**

Through September 30 Washington State PTA members can take advantage of 30% off school supplies at Value Village by showing a current PTA membership card.

### **Washington State Fair**

WSPTA members can begin purchasing discounted tickets to the Washington State Fair through a custom portal. Save up to 49% on tickets to the Washington State Fair, September 11-27 and #PARTYBIGWA with tons of free entertainment, concerts, fabulous fair food, animals, and much more!

### **Wild Waves Theme Park**

PTA members are offered substantial savings off regular admission prices. In addition to savings, the online offer allows you to 'print and go' to avoid waiting in line to purchase tickets. This membership benefit is available now through September. Children 2 and under are free.

### **\*NEW\* Xfinity Arena at Everett**

**October 1-4: Ringling Bros & Barnum and Bailey: Built to Amaze.**  
**October 17: EnduroCross**

## ***Fundraising Opportunities***

### **Benefit**

Benefit is a free app that can be used to pay for your everyday purchases. A portion of your purchase goes directly back to your PTA. Retailers include Lowe's, Amazon, Target, Starbucks, and more! Learn more about Benefit on their website.

### **Clothes for the Cause**

Clothes for the Cause will pay your group per pound for all of the clothes and shoes you collect. Clothes for the Cause will collect your donations and pay you within two weeks. Mention PTSA 2015 when scheduling and your PTA will receive a \$50 bonus toward your fundraising total.

### **ForTheSchools.com**

Earn cash back for your PTA at 1,000+ stores. WSPTA members receive \$25 signup bonus! Go to their website or call (844) 352-5686.

### **Old Country Buffet**

Old Country Buffet can help PTAs raise funds and bring family and friends together through a ticket fundraiser at your local Old Country Buffet.

### **Red Robin - Burgers for Better Schools**

When you use your Red Robin Royalty account, your school can earn 1% of total sales (less fees and excluding tax and gift card purchases). Select your school and use your Red Robin Royalty account at participating Red Robin locations. Visit the Red Robin Website for more information.