



teacher assignment.

The Cascadia PTA is committed to helping students become their best selves and reach their full social, emotional, and academic potential by engaging and supporting families, teachers and school leadership.

The Cascadia PTA is so excited to welcome you to the 2023-2024 school year! To get connected with the PTA, please fill out the Email and Directory Sign Up Form on our website once you have your student's

It's so quick!

cascadiapta.org/join

How can it be so easy?!

This one link will allow you to:

- Receive Cascadia PTA emails and the Dragon Digest - our weekly newsletter,
- Enter your information in the private school directory, if you choose,
- Allow your room parents to have your information (important for class parties, teacher appreciation, and out of school parties and socializing), and
- Option to renew your annual PTA membership or to join as a voting member for the first time.**
- Also check out the website for volunteer opportunities - the school critically needs volunteers to help with lunch/recess supervision as well as helping maintain the garden, staff the after-school enrichment program and so much more. Please help in anyway that works you and your family!

Why should you join the PTA? To make **connections** with the great staff, teachers and parents who care about this school, **supports your child**, and **amplifies your voice**. We want everyone to be involved in the decision-making process! And with district budget cuts, the PTA is more important than ever and plays a huge role in funding music, art, ilab, gardening and so much of what makes Cascadia such a special place.

FOR MOMS

For more than 120 years, PTA has provided leadership opportunities for women – growing the PTA into the largest child advocacy association in America



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FOR MOMS, DADS, GRANDPARENTS, CAREGIVERS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Today, everyone has a role to play in growing and improving our schools



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****The Cascadia PTA provides membership scholarships (\$13.50 per individual membership) to any individual or family for whom the membership fees are a barrier to involvement. We hope this enables all families to participate in the decision-making, planning, and advocacy work of the PTA****

WELCOME BACK EVENTS

First Day of School Coffee – Wednesday Sept. 6, 8 am. Parents are invited to stop by the front of the school for coffee after student drop off and chat with fellow parents. Come learn more about what the Cascadia PTA is all about!

General Membership Meeting - Thursday, Sept. 21. More information will be disseminated through the Dragon Digest.

PTA Community Picnic - Friday, Sept. 22 at Cascadia's playground. Details forthcoming.

<h1>EXTRAS</h1> <p>PTA strengthens communities through family events like book fairs, bingo nights and ice cream socials</p>  <p>THERE IS NO WRONG WAY TO PTA</p>	<h1>ESSENTIALS</h1> <p>PTA funds critical school resources and curriculum needs, including investments in technology, the arts and science programming</p>  <p>National PTA everychild.onevoice®</p>
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Cascadia PTA Fact Sheet

WHAT DOES THE PTA DO?

Cascadia PTA provides critical funding and support for programs designed to enhance the curriculum with additional learning opportunities. Current programs include: I-Lab (grades 1 & 2), Garden (grades 3 & 4), and Instrumental Music (grade 4 based on availability and all of grade 5). Especially given recent district cuts, the PTA funds core staffing needs at the school.

Cascadia PTA hosts a wide variety of school events throughout the year including fall school events, game nights, movie nights, and grade-level events.

The PTA provides financial support to the school to increase resources available to all students including: purchasing workbooks and online subscriptions, additional nurse and counselor hours, recess monitors, and professional development for school staff. The PTA provides scholarships for most school-related items and events to ensure that all our students can participate. Please contact the school counselor, accantrell@seattleschools.org, or the PTA President at president@cascadiapta.org for support.

Our Legislative and Advocacy Directors will keep you updated on relevant state legislation and district issues.

Is that all the PTA and our volunteers do? No! There's also staff appreciation, lost and found management, room parent support, 5th grade Fun Day, and more. The PTA can only do all of this with your continued involvement!

FUN
ACTIVITIES

Science fairs, back-to-school picnics and talent shows

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Science equipment, back-to-school supplies and fine arts programming

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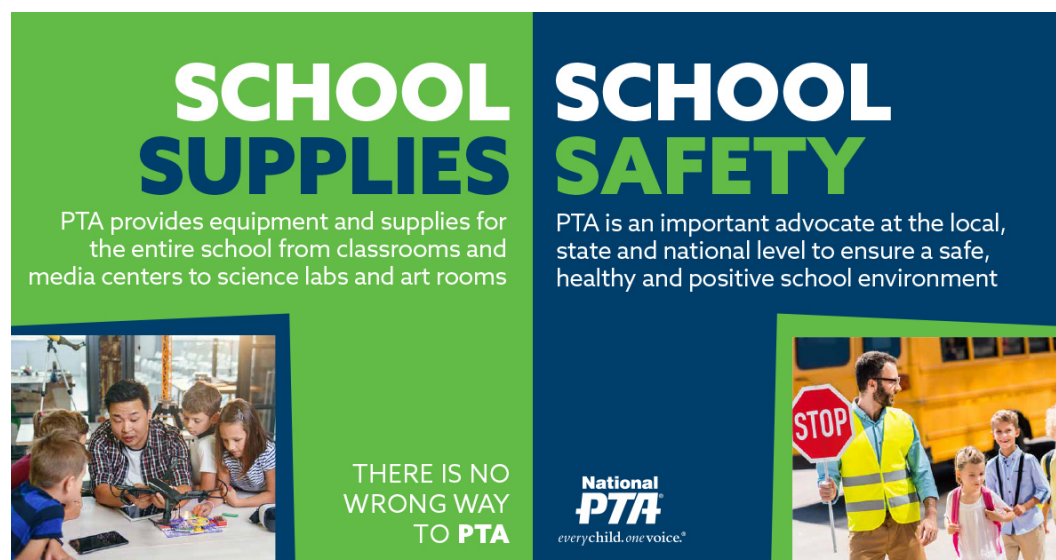
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MEMBERSHIP

The Submit button at the end of the Email and Directory sign up Form will send you to a link to the membership site www.memberplanet.com/s/cascadiapta/join. By joining the PTA, you become a member of the oldest and largest child advocacy association in the country and are provided with a

voice and vote at Cascadia PTA General Membership meetings. **Plus, enjoy discounts at businesses like Avis, FedEx Office, Disneyworld Vacations, and Great Wolf Lodge.**

Membership is \$13.50 for adults; the PTA will provide scholarships to cover the fee so that all parents and caregivers, regardless of financial contribution, are able to join and fully participate. If you have any questions, please email Roisin McGlynn, Membership Director at membership@cascadiapta.org or check out the [PTA FAQ](#).



COMMUNICATIONS

After completing the Email and Directory Sign Up Form, you will be signed up to receive all PTA emails and newsletters. The password-protected family directory will be available on the website soon.

PTA website: www.cascadiapta.org


The PTA website has a complete event calendar and a wealth of other information. You can even subscribe to the calendar to save yourself the time of entering events manually into your personal electronic calendar!

Facebook: find us at Cascadia Elementary, Friends of

The Facebook page is not officially managed by the PTA, but it is a great place for families to share information.

After the school year starts, room parents will set-up classroom rosters to facilitate communications within your class and grade.

Please contact Eric Feeney (president@cascadiapta.org) or Simrin Parmar and Megan Ladner (vicepresident@cascadiapta.org) if you have any PTA-related questions.

<h2>TEACHER APPRECIATION</h2> <p>PTA established Teacher Appreciation WeekSM nearly 40 years ago</p>  <p>THERE IS NO WRONG WAY TO PTA</p>	<h2>TEACHER GRANTS</h2> <p>Local PTA funding provides teachers money for classroom needs and instructional resources</p>  <p>National PTA <i>everychild.onevoice.®</i></p>
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FUNDRAISING

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The PTA is able to support our students thanks to the generous support of our families. At Cascadia, we keep it simple! Our one and only fundraiser, and only financial ask, will be the Dream Big Annual Give in October. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon!

Beyond the Annual Give, there are other ways to support Cascadia financially. AmazonSmile, Fred Meyer rewards, and corporate matching are great options for passive fundraising. Thank you for all the ways you are able to support our students!

<h2>RAISING MONEY</h2> <p>National PTA raised millions of dollars nationally in 2019</p>  <p>THERE IS NO WRONG WAY TO PTA</p>	<h2>RAISING THE BAR</h2> <p>PTA advocates to ensure all children, from all backgrounds, have equal access to a quality public education</p>  <p>National PTA <i>everychild.onevoice.®</i></p>
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SPIRITWEAR

Cascadia PTA offers spiritwear for purchase two times during the year. We have various offerings, all of which will be shared online on the Dragon Digest and PTA website.



Welcome to Cascadia's instrumental music program!

Cascadia celebrates the participation of 5th graders and 4th graders* in the Instrumental Music Program. Cascadia PTA is requesting a donation of \$120 per participating student to help support the program.

WHY

Seattle Schools provides limited funding for Cascadia students to participate in Instrumental Music. The Cascadia PTA supplements the rest of the funds to ensure that students who want to are able to participate in this program.

We are asking participating families to make a **voluntary contribution** of \$120 towards their student's instrumental music program to fund a portion of Cascadia's instrumental music program costs. The remainder of the PTA's funding for instrumental music will come through regular donations to our Annual Fund campaign.

HOW

You can pay by check or online, directly to Cascadia PTA. The instrumental music teachers will NOT be accepting contributions, nor will they be given information about a family's financial participation. You may make a donation in one lump sum or monthly (\$12 per month).

You can give through PayPal via this link: <http://tinyurl.com/zb3rbw5> , or check (information below).

WHAT IF

...\$120 is not in your budget? This is a suggested donation amount and **NOT REQUIRED** as part of any child's participation.

...a student signs up for instrumental music and then discovers it's not the right thing for them? They always have the option to disenroll. In such an event, your donation will be rolled into the Annual Fund, where it will support Cascadia PTA's many other learning and enrichment programs.

**Note: Due to SPS budget reductions for the 2023-2024 school year, instrumental music will be offered to ALL 5th grade students. Interested 4th graders can apply for a lottery seat in the program depending on space availability. If you are sending in a check for a 4th grader please note this on your check, along with your student's name. If they are not given a spot their uncashed check will be returned.*



If you are paying by check, complete this form and return via USPS in a sealed envelope, addressed to Cascadia PTA: Instrumental Music.

Student Name: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

Cascadia PTA

10002 Aurora Ave N.

Ste 36 #264

Seattle, WA 98133-9348

\$120 suggested donation

_____ additional contribution

_____ **Total Payment**

_____ My check is enclosed, made payable to Cascadia PTA

_____ My employer will match this donation

2023-2024 Cascadia Elementary Portraits



Yuen Lui Studio is looking forward to photographing individual portraits at Cascadia Elementary on Thursday, October 5, 2023

Two Options to Preorder Portraits

Link to preorder: (keyword = cascadia)
yuenluischools.com/order-photos



Scan to preorder:



Preorder now through
October 5, 2023!
Orders are shipped and
distributed at school
within 3-4 weeks after
picture day



Picture Day: Thursday, October 5, 2023
Retake Day: Thursday, November 9, 2023
Class Group Photos: Thursday, February 8, 2024

schoolsupport@yuenluischools.com

Yuen Lui

2023-2024 Cascadia Elementary Yearbook



Yuen Lui Studio is looking forward to partnering with Cascadia Elementary on the 2023-24 yearbook!

Two Options to Preorder Yearbooks

Link to preorder:
shop.yearbookmarket.com/cascadiaelementaryschool



Scan to preorder:



Orders are shipped and
distributed at school in
June



Ordering Opens: September 6, 2023
Deadline: May 1, 2024 (\$19/yearbook)
Grace Period: May 2-15, 2024 (\$24/yearbook)
May 15, 2024: Final deadline to receive the
yearbook before summer break

Weekend Food For Kids

We offer free food for the weekend!

If you'd like to sign up, you will receive a bag which includes 3 dinners, 2 lunches, 2 breakfasts, and snacks.

We can accommodate dietary restrictions, cultural needs, or allergies: such as vegetarian, halal, no-nut and more!



There are no income requirements.

Enrollment Form

To Sign up: Call, email, or return the bottom of this form to the school office.

Student Name

Grade

Teacher

Allergies /
Dietary Restrictions

COMIDA PARA LOS NIÑOS!

Apúntense para recibir comida semanal para los niños!

- Los paquetes son gratis e incluyen 3 cenas, 2 desayunos, 2 almuerzos y merienda.
- Disponible para todos los estudiantes de {School Name}
- Podemos acomodar restricciones dietéticas como: vegetariano, alergias, halal, etc.



Para más información, pónganse en contacto con: {School Contact Info}

Comida Semanal para Los Niños

Para apuntarse pueden llamar, mandar un correo electrónico o entregar a nuestra oficina la parte inferior de esta hoja

Nombre del estudiante

Curso

Maestro/a

Alérgias /
restricciones dietéticas