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Weekly Update - January 26, 2023

Upcoming Events

Jan 26 LHE Family Tour

Jan 17-27 Ridwell Plastics Collection

Jan 27 Explore Ultimate Frisbee

Feb 2 Spanish Program Registration

> Mar 25 PTA Auction

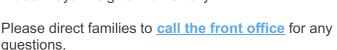
Important Links

<u>LH PTA Website</u> <u>LH Website</u> <u>LH PTA Facebook</u> <u>LH PTA Instagram</u> <u>SPS Website</u>

LHE Family Tours for 2023-24 School Year

Kindly spread the word about our amazing school and community by pointing prospective new families to the upcoming new family tours. Adults only, please.

Date: Thursday, January 26th & Wednesday, February 1st Time: 5:30 - 6:30 pm Place: Loyal Heights Elementary



Student Programs - Spanish Registration Starts Feb 2!

Starting Thursday Feb 2, you may register your student for Spanish language classes here at LHE! Classes will run weekly on Mondays from Feb 6 - Mar 27 from 2:30-4:00pm (no classes over break). Thank you to our parent volunteer, Kate, for making this possible! Look for a registration link in the next PTA newsletter.

LHE PTA is working to bring more after school enrichment programming to our school, <u>but we need your help</u> to make this happen. We are looking for volunteers to help with signing students in and out of programs. We currently have a class on creating Comic books Monday 2:30-4:00 waiting to start at our school.

If you are interested in volunteering, <u>email Jill</u> so we can bring these programs to our students.

Join Ultimate Frisbee!



□ □ Did you know…Loyal Heights has an Ultimate Frisbee team?!

Our newly formed school team, led by coaches Brett Beaulieu and Ellen Wedgwood, is open to third, fourth and fifth graders.



When: Every Friday

Time: 2:25-3:45 (first 15 minutes is a snack break) Location: Northminster Presbyterian Church Gym - Entrance is on NW 77th st. Costs:

- Free to play with an occasional suggested donations to cover operating costs.
- DiscNW charges a one-time registration fee (based on a sliding scale.)
- Purchase of a team game jersey from DiscNW in the future.

What to bring: Water bottle, snack, comfortable clothes and sneakers.

Please join us on January 27th in the school gym to talk to coaches, observe or jump right into playing!

USA Ultimate defines ultimate frisbee as a "Player defined and controlled non-contact team sport played with a flying disc on a playing surface with end zones in which all actions are governed by the 'Spirit of the Game™." Find. more information HERE.

Our team, the Loyal Heights Ultimate Beavers, is registered with DiscNW, a nonprofit that organizes all types of activities for the Ultimate Frisbee community in our region. More information about the game and the organization **HERE**.

The start of the elementary league ultimate season is on the horizon and we're looking for more players! Once you join the team, you'll get weekly informational emails with important dates regarding league registration, games, etc.

Our team (and all elementary ultimate teams connected to DiscNW) are co-ed and open to players with any amount of experience.

Teams can expect to play 6-8 regular season games, plus 1-3 playoff games. Games are on Saturdays on fields throughout the greater Seattle region. Cleats are optional but encouraged for games played on outdoor fields.

Covid-19 Protocol copied directly from DiscNW's website:

"Proof of being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 per the CDC is required. Currently, we are not requiring proof of a booster but we encourage everyone to get a booster if recommended. For information about requesting a medical or religious vaccine exemption email COVID@discnw.org

Important Dates:

- Games Begin: March 4th
- Playoffs: May 6th & 13th
- Spring Jam Tournament: May 20th

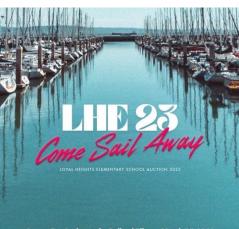
If you would like to join, please complete this form.

If you have questions or want to observe a practice, please email the team manager, Ellen Wedgwood.

SAVE THE DATE! - "Come Sail Away" 2023 PTA Auction

Date: Saturday, March 25th, 5-11pm Place: Sunset Bay Lodge at the Ballard Elks

Please mark your calendars for our annual PTA Auction, our largest fundraising



Sunset Bay Lodge at the Ballard Elks / March 25, 2023

event of the year! We invite you to "Come Sail Away" with us as we embark on a breezy, yacht rock themed evening complete with dinner, live auction and (NEW this year) an after party featuring live music from Seattle's premiere cover band, The Sunset Grooves. Tickets go on sale in early February and invitations will be sent home in kid mail.

Seeking Donations

We are always looking for auction donations (i.e. items, trips, tickets, experiences and gift cards). If you have a donation you'd like to give or any business connections for sponsorship, please <u>complete the online procurement form</u> or <u>contact</u> <u>auction co-chairs</u> Ally Magnano and Jessie Hammer.

Our committee is in full planning mode and we are excited to put on a fun and spirited event this year to support our beloved kids, teachers and staff. Stay tuned for regular updates and a sneak peek at auction items coming soon!

Ridwell Collection at Loyal Heights!



Join us as we partner with Ridwell and help Loyal Heights start wasting less!

We're doing a hard-to-recycle plastics drive with Ridwell! Bring in your plastic film (stretchable plastic like plastic bags, bubble wrap, and bubble mailers) to school between Jan 17-27th to be recycled by Ridwell and upcycled into composite decking and outdoor furniture. Let's see how much waste Loyal Heights can divert from the landfill!

Sign up for Ridwell between now and Feb 2nd using <u>get.ridwell.com/loyal-heights</u> and Ridwell will donate \$25 to Loyal Heights!

Visit <u>here</u> to learn more about Ridwell - Wasting Less, Made Easy

Kid Art Volunteers Needed for the LHE Auction

Every year each classroom contributes a beautiful piece of artwork to be sold at the auction to raise funds for our school. We are looking for volunteers to coordinate a Kid Art project for each classroom.



Here's how it works:

- 1. You will come up with an idea that allows all the children in the classroom to participate/collaborate.
- 2. You will then gather materials and coordinate with the teacher for the classroom you are volunteering for to come in to create the art.
- 3. Then assemble the project and submit it to be displayed and bid on at this year's auction.
 - PTA will reimburse up to \$75 for materials (receipts must be submitted).

If you are interested in volunteering or have questions and would like more information, please <u>email Amber Kolln</u>.

Art Room Volunteers Needed!

The Art room needs four volunteers or about four hours a week of help. No experience in art is necessary. You will be cutting paper, prepping projects, loading the kiln, and cleaning



supplies. Volunteers are welcome anytime during the day and days and times can be flexible based on your schedule and needs.

Thank you for your support. Please <u>email Ms. Cissell</u> with questions and/or interest.

Join the Loyal Heights PTA!

It's not too late to join! Through events and fundraising, we are able to help with instructional support of teachers, facility improvements, enrichment programs (such as Science Fair, Student Council, the Arts, Equity Round Table, etc!) and so much GET INVOLVED JOIN THE PTA

more! Membership is only \$15, and comes with zero obligations.

Our success depends on our members. If you registered in prior years, you will still need to renew your membership for this school year. Please help us reach this goal while supporting the work and programs the PTA provides all year.

JOIN HERE

Please contact the membership chair with any questions.



Volunteer at Loyal Heights!

Our school is always looking for volunteers to help with programs, events, and classroom activities running. When volunteers commit to serving at a school,

students achieve higher grades, have access to more opportunities, and gain community connections to help them thrive.

IMPORTANT: All returning AND new volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year are required to have an approved Volunteer Application on file.

Returning volunteers: If you plan to volunteer in any capacity during the 2022-2023 school year, please make sure that your Volunteer Application is approved and up to date before you start volunteering.

New volunteers: All volunteers must complete a Volunteer Application Form online which includes completing an online training video (Adult Sexual Misconduct Prevention Safety), and background check. Instructions for updating and completing <u>Volunteer Applications can be found here.</u>

Please Note: Mr. Steve receives Volunteer Status Updates from the district once a week on Wednesdays. Please make sure that your applications are completed/updated at least 2 weeks before you plan on volunteering. Updates and applications created after Tuesday evenings will not be reviewed until the following Wednesday.

<u>Contact Steve Beaulieu</u> in the office for more information or to confirm your Essential Volunteer status.



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About LHPTA News

The Loyal Heights Parent-Teacher Association (LHPTA) provides information on our organization's activities as well as school-related news on a regular basis via email. Please contact <u>Kari Saurage</u>, LHPTA Communications Director, with any questions.

About Loyal Heights Parent-Teacher Association

The Loyal Heights PTA is proud of our ongoing commitment to our learning community and our support of Loyal Heights Elementary. We are vital to Loyal Heights' strong tradition of family involvement. As PTA members, we are part of an active local, state and national organization: the largest volunteer child advocacy organization in the nation. For more information, see <u>loyalheightspta.org</u> and <u>www.wastatepta.org</u>

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