

HELLO HIGHLAND TERRACE FAMILIES



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THE HIGHLAND TERRACE PTA WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME YOUR FAMILY TO THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!

We are looking forward to a year filled with fun events, community-building activities, and most importantly supporting our students and staff. In this packet you will find information on important dates, PTA membership, and upcoming events. Keep your eye on the Orca Spout Out for more details as the year progresses. This information is also on our website, www.htpta.org

Please reach out if you have any questions, comments, or concerns at highlandterracepta@gmail.com

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WAYS TO SUPPORT HTPTA

JOIN

HTPTA strives to make school the best place for all students. Your \$15 membership fee kick starts our funding. Added bonus – you get access to the School Directory. There is no obligation to attend meetings or volunteer.

Join by 09/30/24 and you will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card to Blackbird Cafe!

JOIN PTA HERE - www.htpta.org/join

GET CONNECTED

Stay up to date with all HTPTA events, information and news.

- Orca Spout Out: Details about upcoming PTA events can be found at the end of the school's weekly family communication on Parent Square.
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/highlandterracepta
- Instagram: [@highlandterracepta](https://www.instagram.com/highlandterracepta)
- Community Connection: HTPTA distributes a school-wide directory to all members.

*To opt-out of having your contact information in the directory please complete the 24-25 opt-out form at www.htpta.org/about-ht-pta/forms/.

VOLUNTEER

If you do have time to contribute, we need volunteers! There are important roles to fill and without them, we can't do everything we have planned. By volunteering you'll know what's happening at Highland Terrace, meet and build rapport with HT parents and staff, and be able to share your ideas, concerns, and experiences.

VOLUNTEER INFO HERE - www.htpta.org/volunteer

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FUNDRAISING

Each year the PTA raises money to support community-building events, classroom needs, and enrichment opportunities like an in-class science specialist and clay program. We also have a grant program for our teachers to purchase learning and classroom supplies that our students use every day. We approach fundraising through a few key pathways:

- **Fall Read-a-thon:** In October, the whole school will engage in a collective focus on fun with literacy while raising money through pledges.
- **Spring Auction** and Annual Appeal: Get ready for a night of fun and fundraising in March with fellow HT parents and community members. This is our biggest fundraising event of the year.
- **Passive fundraisers:** Throughout the year families can help raise money through some activities, goods, and services that you may already be involved with or might want to be.

Do you work for a company that matches charitable giving?

HT PTA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization so you can double your contribution with your employee match program!

PASSIVE FUNDRAISERS

- [Orcawear Sales](#): Show your school spirit and support – 10% of all sales go to the school.
- [Fred Meyer Community Rewards](#): Link your rewards card to Highland Terrace and the school gets a donation. This won't impact your savings or rewards in any way.
- [Office Depot](#): When you make a purchase of qualifying school supplies, provide school ID at checkout and HT can receive 5% back in credits for supplies.
- [Full Circle Produce Box](#): We will receive 10% back from new and existing customers every time an order is placed.
- [Smith Brother Farm Milk Fund](#): Sign up for Smith Brothers Delivery and receive \$15 off your first order and they will donate \$50 to HT PTA. No contracts or minimum orders and you can cancel anytime.
- [Lynch Creek Farms](#): During the holiday months we will be sending a link to order wreaths and other decor items. These are made locally and make great gifts! HT PTA receives 15% of all orders.
- [HT Mariner Game](#): At the end of the year we sell tickets for HT families to attend a Mariner's game together, with a % going back to the school. More details in the spring!
- [Dine-Out Nights](#): Throughout the year local restaurants like Habit Burger, Round Table and Spiro's Pizza will donate a percentage of sales to HT!
 - **Our first one is at Round Table Pizza from Oct 8th–12th. Just mention the Highland Terrace fundraiser at check-out.**

PASSIVE FUNDRAISER LINKS HERE – www.htpta.org/passive-fundraisers-for-htpta/

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2024-2025 CALENDAR

This is a tentative schedule for the year – events and dates may be subject to change.

AUGUST

8/26 Ice Cream Social

SEPTEMBER

9/19: HT Curriculum Night and PTA
General Membership Meeting

OCTOBER

Date TBD: Read-a-thon Fundraiser
10/13-10/17: Dine Out at Round Table
Pizza to support HTPTA
10/27: Costume Playdate @ Sunset Park

NOVEMBER

Date TBD: Festival of Cultures Night
11/8: Skate Night
Date TBD: Reflections Art Contest
Entries Due

DECEMBER

12/9: Family Bowling Night
12/19: Cookie Boxes for HT Staff

JANUARY

1/10: Glow in the Dark Dance Party

FEBRUARY

2/1: Pancake Breakfast
2/1-2/5: Book Fair

MARCH

3/10-3/14: Education Support Professionals
Appreciation Week
3/14: Skate Night
Date TBD: Highland Terrace Auction

APRIL

4/7: Family Bowling Night

MAY

5/5-5/9: Teacher Appreciation Week
DATE TBD: Science Night

JUNE

DATE TBD: HT Mariners Game
DATE TBD: Movie Night

PTA MEETINGS

Board meetings happen monthly. While they are open to all members, there are three designated general meetings with the agenda geared towards the broader membership. Meetings take place on the third Thursday evening of each month.

9/19(General), 10/17, 11/21, 12/19,
1/16, 2/13(General), 3/20, 4/17(General) and 5/15

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SUPPORT OUR TEACHERS, BECOME A ROOM PARENT!

Room parents connect with their child's teacher and communicate with the other parents in the class through email. They help communicate teacher and classroom needs that may be supported by families like extra supplies, class celebrations, volunteers for activities, etc. Room parents also help with one teacher appreciation lunch for their grade during the year and during Teacher Appreciation Week in May.

It doesn't take a lot and it helps SO MUCH!

If you are interested in being a room parent, or assisting the room parent, please email Room Parent Coordinator, Whitney Chivinski at whitneysugg@gmail.com

ORCA WEAR

Show your Highland Terrace spirit by ordering from our Orca Wear Shop!

We have many styles and colors to choose from. Ordering will be open all year and ship directly to your home. PTA receives 10% of all orders placed.

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*Have a question, comment or suggestion for us?
Want to get involved with PTA?*

We would love to hear from you!