



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

March 28, 2016

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

3/28	7 PM	PTSA Board Meeting
3/28 - 4/1		Focus Week
3/30		Bellevue School & Family Fair
3/31		PTSA Executive Committee Nominations Due
4/4 - 4/8		Spring Break
4/8		Bellevue Scholarship Application Deadline
4/20	7 PM	PTSA General Membership Meeting
4/25 - 4/29		Spirit Week
4/26 - 4/29		Book Fair - Dates and Times shown Within the Article Block Below
4/27	7 PM	Jazz Dessert Night
4/29	6:30 PM	Bite of IS

PTSA



On behalf of the PTSA and the Fundraising Committee, thank you for joining us at the "Giving Back to the Future" Fundraiser held on March 19th. It was wonderful to see so many parents in attendance. Together we raised \$58,000 for our students and school. This surpassed our original goal of \$50,000.

This was a great community event where we all worked together. Senator Cyrus Habib's inspiring speech being one of the highlights, and won't soon be forgotten. Your generosity will impact both our school and our students for years to come.

Accepting Nominations for the 2016-2017 PTSA Executive Committee

We are asking for your help in finding next year's PTSA Executive Committee members. Open positions include: President/President-Elect, Vice-Presidents of Fundraising, Outreach, Community and Communications, Secretary, and Treasurer. The PTSA Nominating Committee will be reviewing the nominees for each position and will present a slate of candidates at the April 20th General PTSA meeting.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about the positions and duties, including general time commitments.

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School Directory and Links

ATTENDANCE 425-456-6545
MAIN OFFICE 425-456-6500
COUNSELING 425-456-6542
REGISTRAR 425-456-6535

[IS School Website, Calendar & Titan Times](#)

[IS Staff Directory](#)

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[Bellevue Schools Foundation](#)

Supporting PTSA

You can donate at any time by simply writing your check to the International School PTSA and sending it to school: 445 128th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA 98005 Or even easier - just donate via PayPal!

Will your employer match your IS contributions?



International School Store

Recommendations for candidates can be made by submitting the [Nomination Form](#) to the PTSA box at the front office or by sending the form to any of the 3 nominating committee members below. All nominations must be received by March 31st.

For questions, please contact: Josephine Anderson (liudesign@aol.com), Ari Balkan (arianbalkan@hotmail.com) or Susan Hainze (susan@hainze.com).



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5K SPRING FUN RUN

Volunteer Opportunities!

Not a runner, but still want to join the community and share the energy at the 5K Fun Run on April 23rd?

We would love your help, and there are a number of volunteer opportunities available. Please visit <http://help.ISFunRun.com> to sign up for a volunteer role!

As always, registration for the run is at www.ISFunRun.com.

www.ISPTSA.org

Visit our website keep informed about what is going with ISPTSA including meetings, programs and community events and activities. We hope it will be your home for joining the ISPTSA, volunteering, signing up for the Messenger weekly newsletter and keeping current on what is happening at the school. Please take a moment to:

- 1) Create an ISPTSA account or update your current information. We will be using this for directory information. We will also have an online directory which will be available to ISPTSA members.
- 2) Join the ISPTSA, just click on the link that says Join.
- 3) Sign up for the Monday Messenger weekly e-newsletter, this is the best way to get the most current information on what is happening at school.
- 4) Volunteer - There are lots of ways to volunteer, both from home and at school. Parent involvement in creating and staffing programs such as Reflections, Staff Appreciation, Grade level representatives, awarding grants and editing the website is what makes IS unique.
- 5) Donate - Your donations to the PTSA allows us to invest, approximately \$100,000 a year toward the school's mission of academic excellence through a broad spectrum of curriculum extension grants, programs, clubs, and community building.

School News

Parking Lot Reminders

Our parking lot is very busy before and after school. Arrive early to beat the congestion. Sending your students on the bus cuts down on the number of cars coming in and out. A few parking lot reminders:

- As the weather warms up, students can walk a bit, so if a parent wants to drop their student off near the school, the student can walk. Find a safe area to park. Do not allow students to exit your vehicle in traffic.
- Students have been seen jumping out in front of the Metro busses. Students should never try to beat the bus while they are being dropped off.
- Parents also need to "Pull Forward". This is not a suggestion, but a way to expedite all cars through the parking lot in a safe and timely manner.
- If students need to retrieve items from a trunk or lift gate, please park. Expedite traffic by keeping all belongings within the main portion of the car.

Thank you to parent volunteer Laurie Beck who helps students arrive safely at school.

Jessica Jacobs' Senior Project - Support Needed

Do you want your immigration story to the Eastside to be featured in an exhibit highlighting local diversity? If this is of interest to you, or you know someone who could help support this

Show your school spirit! Shop for sweatshirts, t-shirts, duffel bags and more! Visit the [International School Fieldhouse store](#). Proceeds benefit the International School ASB.



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Newsletter Submissions: news@ispts.org

senior project contact Jessica Jacobs at s-jacobsj@bsd405.org. The completion date for this phase of her project is 3/29. Thanks for your support.

3rd Annual Bellevue School & Family Fair

March 30th
6:00 - 8:15 PM

FOR ALL BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT FAMILIES!

BOOTHS

Summer Camps, Childcare Resources, Sports Camps, Enrichment Programs, Counseling, Health Care, High School Programs, Higher Education, and more!

PRESENTATIONS

Social & Emotional Learning
Inclusive Education in Bellevue
STEM in Elementary Schools
Safe Schools in Bellevue
Graduation Success & College Planning

LOCATION

Interlake High School
16245 NE 24th Street, Bellevue 98008

PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

[School & Family Fair Flier - English](#)
[School & Family Fair Flier - Spanish](#)

Questions? Contact us at
bellevueptsacouncil@gmail.com

Bellevue Scholarship Opportunities

The Bellevue Council PTSA offers scholarships each year to outstanding students in the Bellevue School District. The Dr. Michael Riley and Alice Hurd Memorial scholarships are \$1,000 scholarships awarded to one graduating senior from each of the six Bellevue high schools: Bellevue, Interlake, International, Newport, Sammamish and Big Picture. *Application Deadline - April 8, 2016*

The [Dr. Michael Riley Memorial Scholarship](#) is sponsored by local PTAs, and is awarded to one student from each of the high schools. It is named in honor of Bellevue's former superintendent. The Dr. Riley Scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior from a Bellevue high school who demonstrates exceptional accomplishment in academics, leadership, and activities.

The [Alice Hurd Memorial Scholarship](#) is funded by a trust established by the Hurd Family to honor their wife and mother, Alice Hurd. She was a tireless and enthusiastic volunteer in PTA and an outstanding child advocate. In recognition of her volunteer spirit, the Alice Hurd Scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior from a Bellevue high school who has gone above and beyond in service to the community and contributed at least 200 hours of outstanding community service.

Applications are available at www.bellevueptsacouncil.com.

Email Lisa Shank at BellevuePTSACouncil.VP@gmail.com with questions.

Come Support Ameya's Senior Project!

Ever wanted to increase your financial assets effortlessly? Find out how at Ameya Gadkari's Senior project in Room 303 after school on Wednesday, April 13th and Wednesday, April 20th for the first and second seminars. Open to all high schoolers. Snacks will be provided!

Please contact Ameya Gadkari at s-gadkaria@bsd405.org with any questions.



Love Books? Well, We Have a Bookfest Coming!

April 26-29th, University Bookstores will be setting up shop at the IS library. The latest and best reading books for students 6-12th grade and adults too. Books will be on display just in time for summer reading plans. All proceeds benefit the IS Library Fund.

These hours are open to parents and students to come and purchase books:

Tuesday, 4/26: 12:00-1:00pm and 2:30-4:00pm

Wednesday, 4/27, 1:00-2:00pm and 6:30-8:30pm (Jazz Dessert Night)

Thursday, 4/28: 12:00-1:00pm and 2:30-4:00pm

Friday, 4/29, 12:00-1:00pm, 2:30-4:00pm and 5:30-8:30pm (Bite of International)

Also at the Bellevue store and on-line: Monday, 4/25 - Sunday, 5/1

Parents and students are needed to help with our library book fair. We have different shifts and students will get community services hours for their work. Sign-ups will begin upon return from Spring Break.

Any questions please contact Meribeth Nordloef-Pedersen (pedersentrio@msn.com) or Michele Dang (dangt@bsd405.org) for more information.

2016-2017 Host Families for IS Interns

Interested in hosting our wonderful Swiss intern next year? We are currently looking for quarter or semester long host families. Please contact Traci Sullivan for more information: sullivant@bsd405.org.



Current Junior Parents - We Need You!

We're seeking leadership for the following roles related to making Graduation 2017 a great experience. The plan is to have parent leaders identified for each of these roles soon to observe the events this year, and be well-prepared for next year. If you're interested in taking a leadership, co-leadership or support role, contact Marianne Heywood, marianneheywood@gmail.com.

Chair or Co-Chair for Graduation 2017
Communications (can be combined with Chair/Lead)
Finance
Underclass Volunteer Coordinator
Poinsettia Sale
Hydrangea Sale (these two can be combined)
Staff/Senior Lunch
Baccalaureate
Commencement
Appreciations and Gratitudes
Grad Night Party



Our Approach is Simple. Our results..... Exceptional.

We offer tutoring, test preparation, and homework help to high school students in Bellevue, Seattle, and the surrounding areas, specializing in subject areas related to the STEM curriculum:

Science: Biology, Chemistry & Physics (including AP)

Math: Algebra, Geometry, Statistics, Pre-Calculus, Calculus (including AP)

Our goal is that every student will enjoy their time with us, master the difficult content and acquire a bit of contagious confidence - knowing that if they can successfully tackle one particular subject area, they will also be able to do the same with others.

Our framework for success:

connect · learn · grow



For additional information or to sign up, please visit us at:

<http://tutoringstem.com/client-resources.html>

Want to Show Your Titan Pride?

Get a pair of custom designed Strideline socks for only \$15!



The Class of 2019 is selling 100 pairs of green & 200 pairs of black, custom designed, Titan socks. Starting Tuesday, orders are being taken and delivery is expected in three weeks.

You can pay with cash at the ASB Window or with check or card in the office. (Checks should be made payable to International School.)

Make sure to fill out the [order form](#) to reserve the color you want. Socks will be delivered in about three weeks.

Don't miss out on this great opportunity!

Questions? Contact ASB Advisor, Carol Anne Yamamoto (yamamoto@bsd405.org)

Sports Opportunities

High School Athletic Opportunities

Does your child want to get involved in High School Athletics?
Of course they do!

Find all registration information on the District Athletic Page:

<http://www.bsd405.org/departments/athletics-activities/>



Hoops4Life Basketball Summer Camp

We are excited to announce that registration for the Basketball / Life Skills camp sessions at the Hidden Valley Boys and Girls Club in Bellevue is now open.

Session 1 will be held July 11-15.

Session 2 will be held August 1-5.

The cost for each session is \$199. Camp is from 9am-4pm, Monday thru Friday of each week.

For more information go to: <http://www.hoops4life206.com>

Messenger Submissions

Want to submit information to publish in the Messenger? Please submit your information by **FRIDAY**. (*Submissions are subject to PTA approval*). Plain text is preferred, although you are welcome to send along an image or icon to include. Need to link to a registration form? Send us the link to include or a pdf copy. *Note: you will no longer receive an automatic confirmation response when submitting.*

Questions or submissions should go to news@isptsa.org

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