



# INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

May 23, 2016

## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

5/23 - 5/26	7:40 AM - 10:25 AM	Smarter Balanced Testing
5/26	7 PM	High School Band Concert
5/27		No School - Professional Development Day
5/30		No School - Memorial Day
5/31	7 PM	High School Choir Concert
6/2	7 PM	Middle School Choir Concert
6/3	8 PM	Moving Up Dance
6/6	7 PM	Middle School Band Concert
6/8	7 PM	Orchestra Concert
6/9	6 PM	Senior Boards Open House
6/11	8 AM	Detention

## PTSA

### June PTSA Meetings

Both the PTSA Board Meeting and PTSA General Membership meetings may need to be postponed to a later date to avoid conflict with school events.

Please look for additional details in the coming weeks for confirmed meeting dates and times.

### ISPTSA Recognizes Students, Educators and Volunteers

It's time to recognize the dedicated students, educators and volunteers that make our school such a thriving community! At the June 8th PTSA business meeting, we would like to acknowledge three such people and we need YOUR help. Please email Kerste Helms at [secretary@isptsa.org](mailto:secretary@isptsa.org) if you know of someone who you believe should receive any of the following awards. Please include a brief statement about why you are nominating this individual.

**Outstanding Educator:** The Outstanding Educator award is presented to an individual who has provided outstanding educational opportunities for children and youth that are beyond the normal scope of their jobs. An educator may be defined as a teacher, assistant, specialist, support staff or administrator.

**Outstanding Student Advocate:** This award is presented to recognize students who have made significant contributions through leadership and service in their schools and communities.

**Golden Acorn:** The Golden Acorn is presented, by a local PTA or council, to a volunteer in recognition of his/her dedication and service to children and youth. This award is presented to those who go above and beyond the normal volunteer level. It does not have to recognize only PTA volunteering. You can, and should, consider volunteers from churches, sports, school staff or other organizations.

Thank you so much for your help with this important recognition!

### [www.ISPTSA.org](http://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.

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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](#)

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## 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

- 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

### Box Tops for Education!

#### LAST CALL!

Please turn in any remaining Box tops for Education labels into the school office this week.



### Congratulations!

A warm congratulations to IS track and field athletes Benjamin Braun and Christopher Watson, track and field "milers" who qualified for and ran the varsity 1600m event at KingCo Track and Field Championships May 11th.

### Parent Volunteers Needed for Laptop Collection

Please [Sign Up](#) to help with the laptop collection. Contact Alison Rathbun at [rathbuna@bsd405.org](mailto:rathbuna@bsd405.org) with any questions.

June 6th Laptop collection prep (organize paper work, prep supplies, etc.)  
 10:00-12:00 2 volunteers  
 1:00-2:35 2 volunteers

June 9th (senior laptop collection in library [check computers for damage, make sure nothing is missing, check-in computers, help organize computers, etc.])  
 12:30-2:45 6 volunteers

June 14th (6th-11th grade laptop collection in IPAC [check computers for damage, make sure nothing is missing, check-in computers, help organize computers, etc.])  
 7:20-9:20 10 volunteers

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@isptsa.org](mailto:news@isptsa.org)

9:10-11:10	10 volunteers
11:00-1:00	10 volunteers
12:50-2:50	10 volunteers

June 15th (Laptop Collection Wrap-up [check computers for damage, make sure nothing is missing, check-in computers, help organize computers, help track down students who haven't returned computers, etc.]

8-10	4 volunteers
10-12	4 volunteers

## Speak Up!

If you've ever felt tongue-tied or had a fear of speaking in front of others, this workshop series is for you! Overcome your inhibitions, find your unique voice and relate to others in an astonishing new way.

Join us for our series of [4 Free workshops!](#)

Dates: Wednesdays after school - May 25th and June 1st

Time: 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Location: International School Library

Refreshments will be provided



## Interested in Going to France in 2017?

Applications are due on Friday May 27. Participants will be selected by a lottery process and will be announced on Friday June 10. If you have any questions, contact Joe Kheriaty at [kheriatyj@bsd405.org](mailto:kheriatyj@bsd405.org).

## Parking Spots for the 2016-17 School Year

If your student wants to reserve a parking spot for next school year, they must submit the parking regulation form, the parking registration form, photocopy of their driver's license/permit and photocopy of car registration to the attendance office by noon May 31st.

Parking forms are available on the main page of the school's website. Read the forms carefully and make sure all forms are completed and signed. Parent signature required.

## Spiritridge Elementary is Looking for Volunteers

Spiritridge Elementary is hosting a carnival on Friday, June 3rd and is looking for lots of volunteers. We need help with face painting, running games, distributing prizes, helping set up and tear down. Here are some of the important details:

When: Friday, June 3rd

Time: 4:30pm - 8:30pm

Where: Spiritridge Elementary School  
16401 SE 24th Street. Bellevue.

If interested please email [sherylpinheiro@hotmail.com](mailto:sherylpinheiro@hotmail.com) or call/text at 425 269-3588 with any questions. Be sure to include your full name/contact number and availability.

## Eastgate Elementary is Looking for Volunteers

Eastgate Elementary school is looking for 30+ volunteers to help with their annual [Carnival/Family Fun Night](#) on Friday, June 3rd from 6pm to 8pm. Eastgate is looking for some fun students to run the carnival games, pass out tickets, face paint, set up decorations and clean up!

You can help with the setup or clean up (5pm to 6pm and 8pm -8:30pm) OR you can sign up for a 2 1/2 hour shift running the carnival games/face paint (5:30pm - 8pm) OR get 4 volunteer hours staying they whole time while helping a local elementary school!

Please email [traceyn@gmail.com](mailto:traceyn@gmail.com) if you are available and interested!

## Commencement Reception on Mon. 6/13 Hosted by 7th & 11th Grade Families

It is a tradition for 7th and 11th grade families at IS to help with the Graduation Commencement Reception. We need sweets and volunteers!

Use this link to sign-up: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0C4DAAA628A1F85-iscommencement](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0C4DAAA628A1F85-iscommencement)

This link was also sent out previously via email -- your response has already been truly phenomenal! Only a few spots left...Thank you for supporting our graduates.

Message from 7th and 11th grade reps

## 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 ([yamamotoca@bsd405.org](mailto:yamamotoca@bsd405.org))

## Practice French This Summer

Does your student want fun opportunities to practice French? Do they need extra support? Here are some awesome possibilities for the summer:

- Canoe Island French Camp: a two week camp on a private island in the San Juans, ages 9-16 with counselors from France. All levels welcome! Financial aid available. [www.canoeisland.org](http://www.canoeisland.org) or [info@canoeisland.org](mailto:info@canoeisland.org) for more information.
- Alliance Française : a variety of workshops from 1 to 4 pm for two week chunks. All levels offered in the Wallingford neighborhood in Seattle. [https://afseattle.extranet-aec.com/classes/view/68-teen\\_intensive\\_summer\\_courses/10-children-youth/0-all-levels/1-francais/](https://afseattle.extranet-aec.com/classes/view/68-teen_intensive_summer_courses/10-children-youth/0-all-levels/1-francais/) for more information.

For any questions, please email [caudilloq@bsd405.org](mailto:caudilloq@bsd405.org) more information.

## BIOINFORMATICS Summer Coding Program

Bioinformatics is the hottest emerging area of STEM with all major universities and colleges including Harvard, MIT, Stanford, Berkeley, University of Washington and others developing cutting-edge programs. This is a major focus of investment for technology companies such as Google and many job opportunities are being created in this field. Skills are much in demand in this high STEM job growth area.

Our 2016 STEM summer program will open doors of this exciting field to students thinking of future careers in biology, computer science and medicine. This course is led by Dr. M Samanta who has extensive experience in BIOINFORMATICS and is an International Maths Olympian and ex-NASA scientist.

Organized with the Washington Student Science Association (WSSA)

Sessions held:

July 5th - July 18th or July 20th - August 2nd (10 working days)  
10 am - 2 pm  
Bellevue College location  
Course Fee \$750 (10% discount offered if enrolled with a friend)  
Registration link: <http://coding4medicine.com>

Information sessions will be arranged soon for parents and students. Please check at the link above or on our Facebook page: Coding4Medicine.

## 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](mailto:news@isptsa.org)

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