

Apollo Elementary PTA

General Membership Meeting

September 24th, 2025

6:30pm

Apollo Elementary School Library & Zoom



Agenda

- Call to Order
- President's Report
- Secretary Report
- Treasurer Report
- Teacher Liaison Report
- Director's Reports
- Standing Committee's Reports
- New Business
- Adjourn

President's Report

- Review & Vote
 - Standing Rules
 - Mission & Goals
- Do you know what PTA funds are used for?

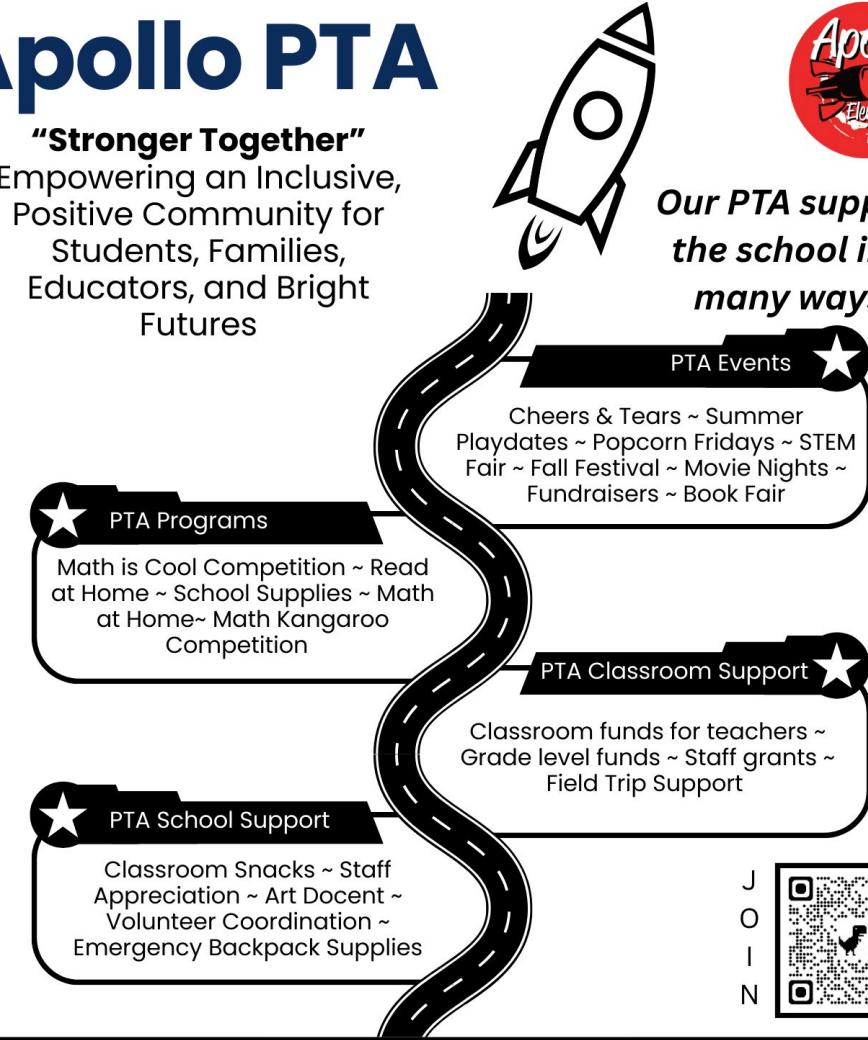
Apollo PTA

"Stronger Together"

Empowering an Inclusive,
Positive Community for
Students, Families,
Educators, and Bright
Futures



*Our PTA supports
the school in so
many ways...*



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How can you help?

Join PTA!

Your membership fees help pay for events and programs

Volunteer

Without volunteers, none of this is possible!

These programs will not happen this year without more volunteers
~ Multicultural Night
~ Reflections
~ Yearbook

President's Report

- Open Positions
 - Director of Events (2)
 - Director of Programs (2)
 - Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Chair
 - Parentwiser Liaison
 - Passive Fundraising Chair
 - Book Fair Co-Chair(s)
 - Multicultural Night Co-Chairs
 - Reflections Co-Chair(s)
 - Spiritwear Chair
 - Talent Show Co-Chairs
 - Webmaster Chair
 - Winterfest Co-Chairs
 - Yearbook Chair
 - Stem Fair Co-Chair



Secretary Report

- General Meeting Minutes: May 2025

Treasurer's Report

- Proposed Budget Review & Vote
- Current Bank Balances

Account	Last reconciled	Balance
Bank of America - Checking	08/31/2025	\$82,386.41
Bank of America - MM	08/31/2025	\$30,532.87
Paypal	08/31/2025	\$19,441.92
Amazon Gift Card Donation	N/A	\$633.96
	Total	\$132,995.16

- Treasurer's Report Year-to-date 2025

2025-2026 - Budget Review

- Review and vote
- Proposed Changes:
 - Move Book Fair from Category 2 (Fundraising) to 7 (Student Enrichment)
 - Move \$600 from Spring Fundraising Expense to Movie Night Expense
 - Move \$5,400 grant funds to grade level allotments. Grant applications no longer accepted for field trips.
 - Increase most grade level allotments from \$600 to \$1500. Grants would lower to \$4600. The increase is intended to help fund field trips in each grade.
 - TK: Increase to \$1100
 - K-4: Increase to \$1500
 - 5: remain at \$600 due to PTA funds for 5th grade camp
 - LRC I and II: remain at \$600 because students go on field trips with their general ed grade level teacher

Teacher Liaison Report - Emily

- Teacher Newsletter
 - Please send me things to communicate to teachers
 - use teacherliaison@apollopta.org email
 - Any communication to teachers, please add me!

Director's Reports

- Programs
- Events
- Fundraising
- Communications
- Volunteers
- Standing Committee Reports

Programs Update

- Fall Scholastic Book Fair
- Read at Home
- Math in Action
- Math is Cool Competition
- Kangaroo Math Competition
- Reflections
- Staff Appreciation
- Yearbook
- School Supplies
- Emergency Backpacks

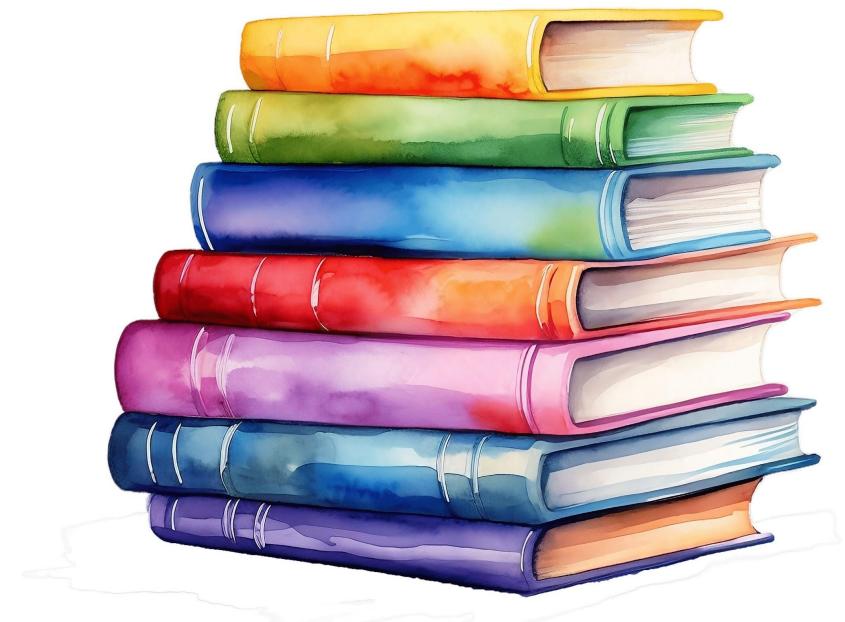
Fall Scholastic Book Fair - Thais

- October 27 - 31



Read at Home - James & Rachel

- Pass out reading logs week of September 15
- Fall book handout week of December 15



Math in Action - Amy



- [Math in Action - PTA Website](#)
- [Apollo Math in Action](#)

2025 - 2026
MATH CHALLENGE SCHEDULE

	ONLINE (FRI – NOON PST)	DUe DATES Friday	SOLUTION (FRI – NOON PST)
MC 1	Sep 12, 2025	Sep 26, 2025	Sep 26, 2025
MC 2	Sep 26, 2025	Oct 10, 2025	Oct 10, 2025
MC 3	Oct 10, 2025	Oct 24, 2025	Oct 24, 2025
MC 4	Oct 24, 2025	Nov 7, 2025	Nov 7, 2025
MC 5	Nov 7, 2025	Nov 21, 2025	Nov 21, 2025
MC 6	Nov 21, 2025	Dec 12, 2025	Dec 12, 2025
MC 7	Dec 12, 2025	Jan 9, 2026	Jan 9, 2026
MC 8	Jan 9, 2026	Jan 23, 2026	Jan 23, 2026
MC 9	Jan 23, 2026	Feb 6, 2026	Feb 6, 2026
MC 10	Feb 6, 2026	Feb 27, 2026	Feb 20, 2026
MC 11	Feb 20, 2026	Mar 6, 2026	Mar 6, 2026
MC 12	Mar 6, 2026	Mar 20, 2026	Mar 20, 2026
MC 13	Mar 20, 2026	Apr 3, 2026	April 3 , 2026
MC 14	Apr 3 , 2026	Apr 24, 2026	Apr 24 , 2026
MC 15	Apr 24, 2026	May 8, 2026	May 8, 2026

Math is Cool Competition - Yiyun

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Kangaroo Math Competition - Jiafeng

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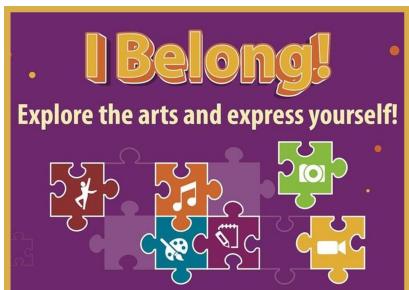
Reflections - OPEN

What is Reflections?

National PTA has a long-standing commitment to arts education.

Each year, hundreds of thousands of students in pre-K through grade 12 **create original works of art in response to a student-created theme**. In Reflections, students submit artworks in the available arts category areas and program divisions

This year's theme is:



Scan for more
info from PTSA
Council



Upcoming Dates	Event Details	Location
September 29, 2025	Issaquah PTSA Council Reflections Kick-Off Meeting (for Local Chairs)	Location: Issaquah School District 411 Administration Bldg. 5150 220 th Ave SE, 98027 Room TBD Coming Soon: View Slides Here (PDF)
September 30, 2025	Issaquah PTSA Council Reflections Kick-Off Meeting (for Local Chairs)	Zoom link will be sent directly to chairs. Coming Soon: View Slides Here (PDF)
November 17, 2025	Deadline to verify your PTA/PTSA has met the Standards of Affiliation	Entries cannot be accepted from PTA/PTSAs that are not in good standing as defined by WSPTA Standards of Affiliation by this date. Please confirm your unit's status with your PTA/PTSA president.
November 17, 2025	Local Finalist Entries Upload Due	((Link Coming in October))
November 20, 2025	Local Finalist Entries Hand-off to Council Reflections Program	Location: Issaquah School District 411 Administration Bldg.

Staff Appreciation - Rachel

thank
you!

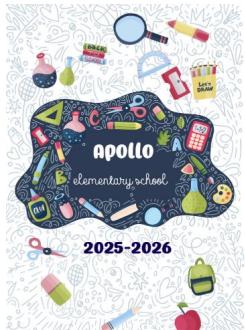
- First Day of School
- November Soup Lunch
 - Volunteers to make and share your favorite soup with staff are greatly appreciated!
- March Baked Goodies
- Staff Treats
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- End of Year Treat



Yearbook - Open



- Do your kids love the yearbook?
- Do you love creating Shutterfly albums?
- Would you like to volunteer on your own time?
- You do not have to take all the photos!! Photos will be uploaded to a shared folder.
- The yearbook cover and theme have already been selected for this year:



Yearbook Editing Software

A screenshot of the Treering Yearbook editing software interface. The left sidebar shows categories: Content, My Photos, Text, Graphics (selected), Background, Layout, and Portraits. The main workspace shows a page with a blue dashed border and the text "double click TO Edit" and "Double Click To Edit". The bottom of the screen shows page navigation and status icons.

School Supplies - Vivian & Jiajia



Events - Open

- Fall Festival - Alecia Hawthorne-Heyel
- Popcorn Fridays - Brandy Peters
- Movie Nights - Alecia Hawthorne-Heyel & Nancy Yeung
- Winterfest - **Open**
- STEM Fair - Ling Chen & Shruthi Desai
- Talent Show - **Open**
- Multicultural Night - **Open**

Fall Festival - Alecia

- Friday, Oct 17th
 - (This is a school day now!)
- Infinity Farms
- \$25 per family
 - \$5 discount for PTA members
- \$10 per person
- Website is ready for purchases
- First flyers will go home next week

[Fall Festival PTA Website](#)



Events - Popcorn Fridays - Brandy

- 1st: October 24th
- 2nd: February 27th
- 3rd: May 22nd

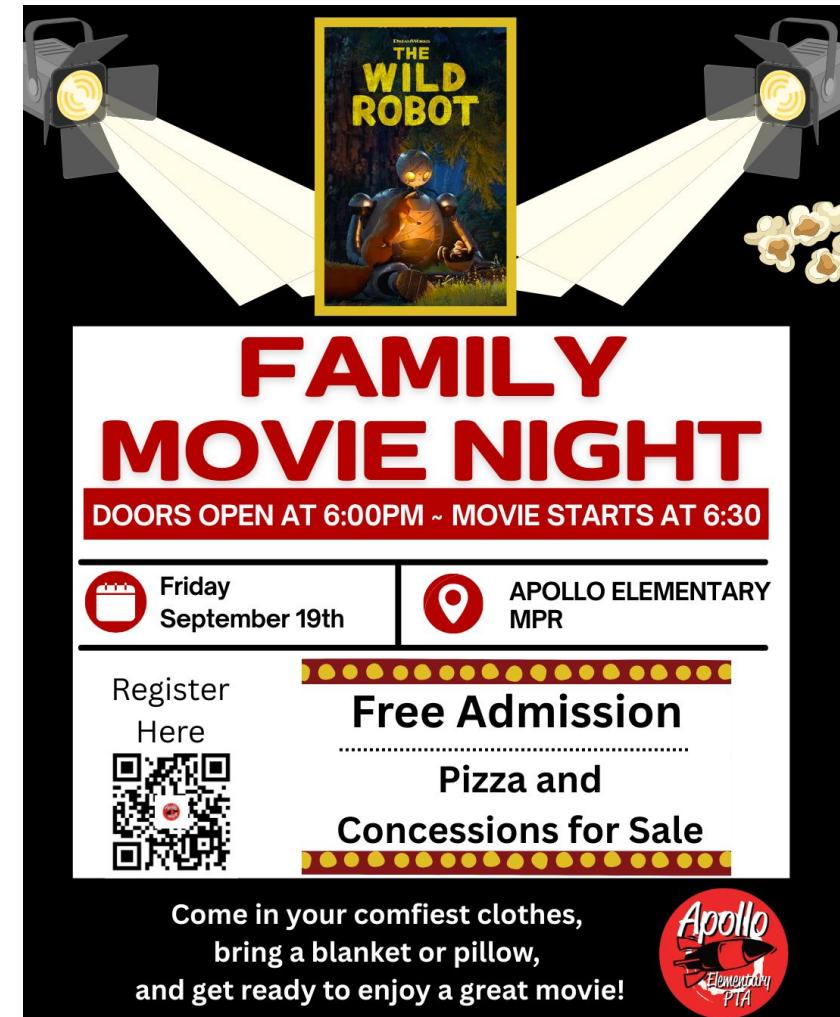
Questions Email: popcorn@apollopta.org



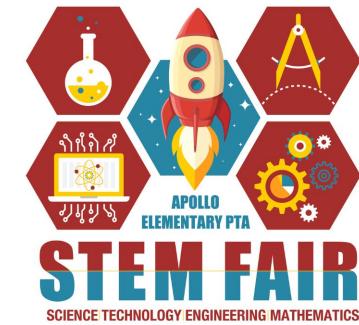
Events - Movie Nights - Alecia & Nancy

- Fall: September 19th (Wild Robot)
 - Very well attended!!
 - Thoughts for next time:
 - open gym with quiet(ish) activities
 - more pizza
 - soda bottles instead of cans (if cost effective)
- Winter: January 16th
- Spring: March 6th

Questions Email: movienights@apollopta.org



Events - STEM Fair - Ling & Rui



- Fair Date:
- Set up Date:

COMING SOON

Questions Email: STEMFair@apollopta.org

Events - Multicultural Night - OPEN



Questions Email: multiculturalnight@apollopta.org

Fundraising - Alecia

- Fall Fundraising - Alecia
 - No fundraiser planned yet. I NEED HELP!!
- Spirit Wear - **Open**
- Passive Fundraising - **Open**
- Orange Ruler (Spring) - Alecia
 - Orange Ruler is out of business - looking into PledgeStar



Communications - Karla & Emily

- **School Bulletin - weekly on Thursdays**
- **PTA newsletter - twice a month**
- **Social Media**
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Volunteers - Michelle K.

128 ISD Approved Volunteers!

- ISD Volunteer Systems - current backlog to getting volunteers approved, so getting in applications early
- 2024-2025 we had 293 approved volunteers
- Volunteer Opportunities
 - Hearing and Vision Screening (Oct 2nd)
 - Power pack pickups (Wednesdays)
 - Fall Festival (Oct 17th)

Standing Committee Reports

Membership - Michelle C.

- Current Memberships
 - Community: 0
 - Family: 112
 - Incomplete: 1
 - Scholarship: 0
 - Staff: 24
- Invitation to Renew/Sign up Today
- “Drawing for Membership” drives



Art Docents - Jessica

- 17 Volunteers so far, we need more!
- Apollo Art Docent Orientation
 - Friday, Sept 26th from 7:30pm-8:30pm
 - Zoom



Art Docent Sign Up



ISSAQAH PTSA
COUNCIL

ART DOCENT CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 11, 2025
CLARK ELEMENTARY
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

FREE CLASSES, GUEST
SPEAKER, KILN TRAINING

REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 26TH
WWW.ISSAQAHPTSA.ORG/ART

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Outreach - Lisa

- Power Pack Pickups start in October
 - We'll need helping hands all year long!
- Classroom Snacks will be delivered once a month.
 - We're looking into fun new options (like fresh fruit).
 - Need to keep things like budget and shelf life in mind as we explore.

Special Education - Jennifer



District-wide PTSA focused on Special Education

building community
empowering families
advocating for ISD students

- IEP, 504, ECE, LAP, ACT...
- Navigating general ed classroom...
- You are in the right place!



Parents / Guardians
Community Members

Share experiences &
resources
Unify for action
Stay informed



Students

Share your unique
perspective
Build relationships
Motivate & lead your
allies!



Share on-ground insights
Build bridges
Shape better outcomes for
all

Join
Today!



Meetups | Socials – **see website for dates!**

ISD Special Education Committees

Everyone in community is welcome!

Visit our **Website**:
issaquahspecialeducationpta.org

Join our **Facebook Group**:
Issaquah Special Education PTSA 2.6.13

Email us at:
hello@issaquahspecialeducation.org

SEPTEMBER EVENTS



19

FRIDAY

**PARENT
POWER HOUR**

10 - 11 PM ISSAQAH COMMUNITY
CENTER

22

MONDAY

**AUTISM PARENTS
LUNCHTIME MEETUP**

12 - 1 PM ZOOM
(LINK IN CAPTION)

24

WEDNESDAY

**PARENTS'
NIGHT OUT**

7-8:30 PM FORMULA BREWING
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VISIT
ISSAQAHSPECIALEDUCATIONPTSA.ORG
FOR MORE INFO!

Advocacy - Shelby

- Issaquah PTSA Council Advocacy Committee
 - Discussion emphasized the need to expand our advocacy strategy to reach the broader voting base, not just parents
 - [Legislative Assembly](#) 2025 at the Hilton Doubletree at SeaTac, October 18 & 19, 2025
- ISD Budget Hearing Key Points
 - '24-'25 Projected ending fund balance = \$46M or 11% of expenditures
 - '25-'26 Projected enrollment = 18,500 a decline of ~1%
 - Enrollment flat at HS but declining in ES
 - Revenue \$400M, including increases from Special Education multiplier and MSOC increase. Key funding sources are ~70% state and 15% local EP&O levy (~\$66M)
 - Expenditures \$406M, including targeted curriculum implementations for MS and HS



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Key Dates

- Saturday, October 25 - Monster Mash 5k
- Wednesday, November 5 - Impact in Action
- Wednesday, March 4 - Impact in Action
- Thursday, April 30 - Nourish Every Mind Luncheon

Every student deserves the opportunity to push beyond their immediate experience and expand the boundaries of what they believe is possible.



Who We Are

Get to know us and why we're so passionate about what we do.



What We Do

From Pre-K through graduation, our funding goes towards programs that create opportunity for students at every ISD school.



Our Impact

For over 35 years, donors have helped us open doors to opportunity for Issaquah School District students.



Ways to Give

The only limit to what we can invest in students is what our community invests in us.

FACE & DEI - Claudia

- [Welcome New Apollo Families Letter](#)
- [Helpful Resources](#)
- Summer Playdates
- New Families School Tour
- Meet Apollo PTA at the Playground
- Tears and Cheers (Coffee and donuts)

New Business



Adjourn

Thank You!