



Shorewood News – October 2019

President's Message

Kim Ositis, Shorewood PTSA President

General Membership Meeting - October 3 - Please join us!

It has already been an exciting first month of school! Our first General Membership Meeting will be on **Thursday, October 3rd** at the beginning of Curriculum Night / Open House from 6:45-7:10pm in the Theater. We hope you will join us for this first General Membership meeting. We will approve the 2019-2020 Annual Budget, Standing Rules, and Goals.

Please come participate in this important process of allocating PTSA donations in order to benefit the most students possible. Parents and guardians are always welcome at all of our monthly meetings (typically held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Career Center).

Volunteer Needs

As a 100% volunteer-led organization, the Shorewood PTSA is always looking for interested individuals to help out. Please contact me at president@shorewoodptsa.com if you are interested or want to learn more. We are currently recruiting to fill the following positions for the 2019-20 school year:

Reflections Chair – oversees the Shorewood Reflections program (student art competition).

Classroom Grants Committee Members – reviews applications and select recipients for classroom grants; manage the holiday wreath/poinsettia fundraiser.

Webmaster-in-Training – works with our current Webmaster to learn about maintaining Shorewood PTSA's website to take over next school year.

Shorewood PTSA Membership

Krista Keller, Shorewood PTSA Membership

Thank you – and welcome – to our newest PTSA members! We are able to support our students and staff here at Shorewood because of the generosity of all of you.

If you haven't already become a member, hopefully you have received a little green flier in the mail inviting you to join Shorewood PTSA. Please bring this with you to Curriculum Night on October 3rd. In addition to hearing from school leadership and visiting your student's classes, Curriculum Night includes "Pass the Hat," the PTSA's one big fundraising effort. You will learn a little more about the Shorewood PTSA and what we do (student/teacher support, classroom

grants, and more). We will have collection bags in the Commons for you to turn in your membership forms and PTSA donations.

Didn't receive a flier? No worries – we will have extras in the classrooms. As always, you are also welcome to join online through our website: www.shorewoodptsa.com.

See you at Curriculum Night!

The WORKS Needs Your Donations!

The WORKS, a PTA Council Family Resource, is accepting new and gently-used, CLEAN, kid-sized clothing 4T-16 and adult size clothing appropriate to High School students. They are low on menswear (pants and shoes) and winter coats. If you have something to donate, please drop off at THE WORKS on Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 PM or contact shorelineptaworks@gmail.com to arrange for a drop off time.

MARK your calendar! If you can volunteer on Wednesday 4 Dec 2019 or 25 Mar 2020 from 6:30-8:00 PM to help sort donated items at THE WORKS, it would be much appreciated. Please let Laine Ritter know at laineritter@gmail.com or text 206-886-5467 if you think you can help on these dates.

Homecoming Treats Needed

Hello Parents and Volunteers! This year we'd love to once again offer kids treats at the Homecoming dance, October 19th. Since they will have already eaten (and they're most likely wearing nice clothes) we're looking for donations of easy-to-eat finger foods - specifically desserts. PTSA will provide small plates or napkins to hold the treats on, along with cups for water.

Non-perishable treats can be sent to school or dropped off Friday October 18th during the day. Other treats (fruit, or anything that needs to be kept chilled) can be dropped off before the dance. Please make at least 20 of the item you're donating to ensure we have plenty! Thank you!

Questions? Please email: mcshannon79@hotmail.com

Sign up here:

<https://signup.com/go/ZhoDqxp>

Candidate Forum (Co-sponsored by the PTA Council and North Urban Human Services Alliance)

Suzanne Gugger, Shorewood PTSA Legislation Director

Tuesday October 1st 2019, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Shoreline Conference Center

Do you know who is running for Shoreline School Board and Shoreline City Council and how they stand on the issues that are important to you? Join us as we hear from the 5 candidates running for 3 positions on the Shoreline School Board and the 6 candidates vying for 3 positions on the Shoreline City Council. Our focus will be on issues related to the education, health and well-being of our students and families, along with the opportunities and challenges of supporting a strong and accessible human services system in North King County. Join us from 7-9 p.m. at the Shoreline Conference Center, 18560 1st Avenue NE Shoreline WA

<https://www.facebook.com/events/488437725319733/>

Oct 26-27, WA State PTA Legislative Assembly (Bellevue College, Bellevue WA)

This is the main state-level event of the year where Legislation Chairs and Presidents from around the state come together to learn and vote on issues/priorities for the year. Shorewood is sending our two student representatives again this year and we look forward to their feedback!

PTSA Reflections Arts Program

The Reflections Program is a National PTA and Washington State PTA cultural arts competition.

The purpose of this program is to provide an opportunity for students to use their creative talents by expressing themselves through their own original works. This year's theme is "Look Within."

Artists get involved through their local PTA/PTSA. A student may submit an entry in any of six arts areas. Only original works of art are accepted. The six art areas are: Visual Arts Photography, Literature, Music Composition, Dance Choreography, and Film Production.

Shorewood will send 20 finalists to the district. These will be due to the school by Monday November 4th, 2019. The artwork is judged at the district level with finalists moving on to a state level competition. There will be a district celebration reception on Weds, January 15, 2020. More details are on the SW PTSA Website.

We are looking for a volunteer to help coordinate the collection of the entries for Shorewood. If you are interested, please contact Suzanne Gugger or Kim Ositis.

Shorewood Needs Overdue Books Returned!

WE NEED LIBRARY BOOKS BACK!! Please help out the library by encouraging your student to return all overdue library books from last year. There are about 100 students who have not returned their library books (about 35 students at each grade level.) The value of the books checked out is approximately \$2,500.

We need those books back! A list of student names with overdue books is posted outside of the library. Any books still not returned by **October 11** will start converting to fines in the Business Office, beginning with the senior class. Feel free to call the library at 393-4396 for questions about replacing lost books. Thank you for supporting our library!

Calendar

October

- 10/3 SW PTSA General Membership Meeting, 6:45 – 7:10 pm, Shorewood Theater
- 10/3 SW Curriculum Night
- 10/18 Homecoming Assembly
- 10/19 Homecoming Dance
- 10/21 School Picture Retake Day

November

- 11/8 Veterans Day Assembly
- 11/11 Veterans Day – No School
- 11/28 Thanksgiving Holiday – No School
- 11/29 Thanksgiving Break – No School